# About GitHub Importer

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If your source code is stored on a code hosting service using Git, Subversion, Mercurial, or Team Foundation Version Control (TFVC) and is accessible from the public internet, you can move the code to GitHub using GitHub Importer.

## About GitHub Importer 🔗

GitHub Importer is a tool that quickly imports source code repositories, including commits and revision history, to GitHub.com for you.

During an import, depending on the version control system you're importing from, you can authenticate with your remote repository, update commit author attribution, and either import repositories with large files or, if you don't want to use Git Large File Storage, remove large files.

## Supported functionality by version control system 🔗

> **Warning**: Support for importing Mercurial, Subversion and Team Foundation Version Control (TFVC) repositories using GitHub Importer will end on April 12, 2024. For more information, see the changelog.

| Import action | Subversion | Mercurial | TFVC | Git |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Authenticate with remote repository** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| **Update commit author attribution** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✕ |
| **Move large files to Git Large File Storage** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✕ |
| **Remove large files from your repository** | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✕ |

## Further reading &#x1F517;

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