

GitHub Club

Git Cheat Sheet



1. CONFIGURATION / INITIALISATION

```
$ git config --global user.name <name>
```

Sets the name you want attached to your commit transactions

```
$ git config --global user.email <valid email>
```

Sets the email you want attached to your commit transactions

2. CREATING A REPOSITORY

```
$ git init <directory>
```

Create empty Git repository in specified directory
Run with no arguments to initialize the current directory as a git repository

```
$ git add
```

Stage all *changed* files, ready for commit

```
$ git add --all
```

Stage *all* files, ready for commit

```
$ git clone <url>
```

Clone (download) a repository that already exists on GitHub, including all of the files, branches and commits

3. CHECK STATUS

```
$ git status
```

List which files are staged, unstaged, and untracked

```
$ git log
```

Display the entire commit history using the default format

```
$ git log -p <file/directory>
```

Display change history for file/directory including diffs

```
$ git diff
```

Show changes to the files not yet staged

```
$ git show
```

Show one or more objects (blobs, trees, tags and commits)

4. REMOTE REPOSITORIES

```
$ git remote
```

Manage the set of repositories ("remotes") whose branches you track

5. BRANCHING

```
$ git branch
```

List all local branches

```
$ git branch <branch-name>
```

Create a new branch

```
$ git checkout <branch-name>
```

Switch to the specified branch and update the working directory

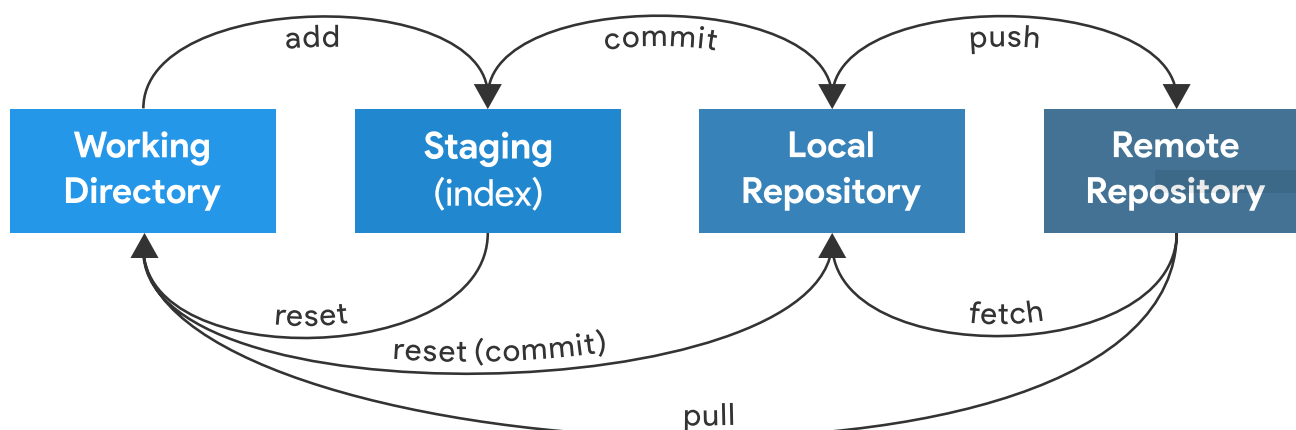
```
$ git checkout -b <branch-name>
```

Create a new branch, switch to it and update the working directory

6. COMMIT

```
$ git commit -m <commit message>
```

Commit all staged files to versioned history



Workflow in Repositories

7. MERGE & SYNCHRONIZE CHANGES

```
$ git merge <branch-name>
```

Join the specified branch into your current branch

```
$ git push
```

Upload all local branch commits to remote repository on GitHub
Set its copy as an upstream

```
$ git pull <remote>
```

Fetch changes from the remote repository on GitHub and merge
current branch with its upstream

```
$ git fetch <remote>
```

Fetch changes from the remote repository on GitHub,
but not update tracking branches

IGNORING FILES

Sometimes it is a good idea to exclude directories from being tracked with Git. This is typically done using a special file named `.gitignore`. Git will ignore tracking of the directory (along with its children directories) where the `.gitignore` file is placed.

8. REVERT & RESET

```
$ git reset <commit>
```

Undoes all commits *after* the specified commit, preserving changes locally

```
$ git reset --hard <commit>
```

Discard all history and change back to the specified commit

9. TAG

```
$ git tag
```

List all tags

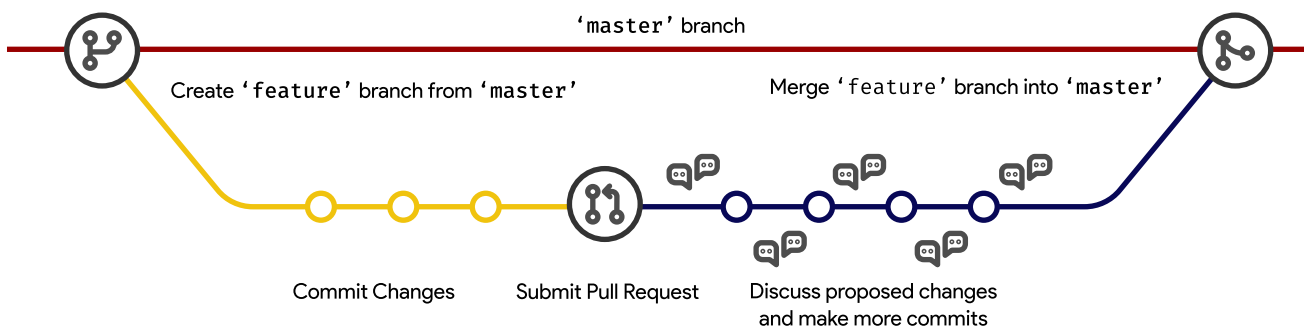
```
$ git tag <commit>
```

Tag the specified commit

HELP

```
$ git --help
```

Display help information about Git, show the synopsis of the git command and a list of the most commonly used Git commands



GitHub Workflow

Glossary

git: an open source, distributed version-control system

GitHub: a platform for hosting and collaborating on Git repositories

commit: an individual change to a file or a set of files which is identified by SHA

branch: a parallel version of a repository which is contained within the repository but does not affect the primary or master branch

clone: a version of a repository, including all commits and branches

remote: a common repository on GitHub that all team members can use to exchange their changes

fork: a personal copy of a repository on GitHub owned by a different user

pull request: proposed changes to a repository submitted by a user and accepted or rejected by a repository's collaborators

HEAD: a defined commit of a branch, usually the most recent commit at the tip of the branch; the HEAD pointer can be moved to different branches, tags, or commits when using `git checkout`

