Ghostty Native GPU terminal

START HERE

Ctrl + **Shift** + **T**
New tab

Ctrl + **Shift** + **O**
Split right

Ctrl + **Shift** + **E**
Split down

Ctrl + **Alt** + **Arrows**
Move between splits

Ctrl + **Shift** + **C** / **Ctrl** + **Shift** + **V**
Copy / paste

Ctrl + **Shift** + **F**
Search scrollback

Ctrl + **Shift** + **P**
Command palette

Ctrl + **Shift** + **,**
Reload config

Window one OS window
Tab holds a split layout
Split one terminal surface

CONCEPTS

Linux keys shown. On macOS most Ctrl+Shift combos become Cmd (Cmd+T, Cmd+D, Cmd+F).

Run ghostty +list-keybinds --default to see every default binding of your build.

Keybinds are chosen in the config file as keybind = trigger=action; later lines win.

TABS AND WINDOWS

Ctrl + **Shift** + **T** New tab

Ctrl + **Tab** / **Ctrl** + **Shift** + **Tab**
Next / previous tab

Alt + **1-8**
Go to tab by number
Alt+9 jumps to the last tab.

Ctrl + **Shift** + **W** Close tab
Closes the current tab together with all its splits.

Ctrl + **Shift** + **N**
New window

Ctrl + **PageUp** / **Ctrl** + **PageDown**
Previous / next tab

TABS AND WINDOWS (cont.)

Ctrl + **Shift** + **PageUp** / **Ctrl** + **Shift** + **PageDown**
Move tab left / right

Alt + **9** Go to last tab

Alt + **F4** Close window

Ctrl + **Shift** + **Q** Quit Ghostty

Ctrl + **Enter**
Toggle fullscreen

SPLITS

Ctrl + **Shift** + **O** Split right

Ctrl + **Shift** + **E** Split down

Ctrl + **Alt** + **Arrows**
Focus split in a direction

Ctrl + **Shift** + **Enter**
Zoom split (toggle)
Maximizes one split inside its tab; press again to restore.

Ctrl + **Super** + **[** / **Ctrl** + **Super** + **]**
Previous / next split

Ctrl + **Super** + **Shift** + **Arrows**
Resize split
Moves the divider by 10 pixels per press.

CLIPBOARD AND FONT

Ctrl + **Shift** + **C**
Copy selection

Ctrl + **Shift** + **V** Paste

Shift + **Insert**
Paste from selection clipboard
Middle-click does the same on Linux.

Ctrl + **Insert** Copy selection

Ctrl + **=** Increase font size
Ctrl+Plus works too.

Ctrl + **-** Decrease font size

Ctrl + **0** Reset font size

Ctrl + **Shift** + **A** Select all

Shift + **Arrows**
Extend selection

SCROLLBACK AND SEARCH

Shift + **PageUp** / **Shift** + **PageDown**
Scroll one page

Shift + **Home** / **Shift** + **End**
Scroll to top / bottom

Ctrl + **Shift** + **F** Start search

Escape End search
Only while the search bar is open.

SCROLLBACK AND SEARCH (cont.)

Ctrl + **Shift** + **Up** / **Ctrl** + **Shift** + **Down**
Jump to previous / next prompt
Needs shell integration.

Ctrl + **Shift** + **J**
Paste path of screen dump file
Writes screen and scrollback to a temp file, then pastes its path.

Ctrl + **Shift** + **Alt** + **J**
Open screen dump in default app

CONFIG AND TOOLS

Ctrl + **,** Open config file

Ctrl + **Shift** + **,**
Reload config
Some options only apply to new terminals.

Ctrl + **Shift** + **P**
Command palette
Search any action by name.

`ghostty +list-keybinds`
Show active keybinds
Add --default for the built-in set.

`ghostty +show-config`
Show effective config
Add --default --docs for all options with docs.

CONFIG AND TOOLS (cont.)

`ghostty +list-themes`
Browse and preview themes

`ghostty +validate-config`
Check the config for errors

KEYBIND SYNTAX

`keybind = <trigger>=<action>`
Bind a key in the config
Modifiers: shift, ctrl, alt, super (aliases cmd, opt).

`keybind = ctrl+a>c=new_tab`
Chained key sequence
Press ctrl+a, release, then c. Use > between steps.

`keybind = <trigger>=unbind`
Remove a default binding

Common actions

Action	Does
`new_tab`	open a tab
`new_split:right`	split (right/down/left/up/auto)
`goto_split:left`	focus a split
`toggle_split_zoom`	zoom a split
`goto_tab:3`	jump to tab 3
`toggle_quick_terminal`	drop-down terminal
`reload_config`	reload the file

RECIPES

Config file location

```
# Linux / macOS
~/.config/ghostty/config.ghostty
# before 1.2.3 the file was named 'config'
# macOS also reads
~/Library/Application Support/com.mitchellh.ghostty/config.ghostty
```

Vim-style split navigation

```
keybind = ctrl+h=goto_split:left
keybind = ctrl+j=goto_split:down
keybind = ctrl+k=goto_split:up
keybind = ctrl+l=goto_split:right
```

tmux-like prefix

```
keybind = ctrl+a>c=new_tab
keybind = ctrl+a>n=next_tab
keybind = ctrl+a>%=new_split:right
keybind = ctrl+a>z=toggle_split_zoom
```

Drop-down terminal (macOS)

```
keybind = global:cmd+backquote=toggle_quick_terminal
```