Inkscape Vector graphics editor

CONCEPTS

Every tool has a one-letter key. Press Esc first if you are typing in a text object, or the letter becomes text.

Ctrl+S saves Inkscape SVG; PNG, PDF and plain SVG come from the Export dialog (Ctrl+Shift+E).

TOOLS

S / **F1**
Select and transform objects

N / **F2**
Node tool: edit path nodes

R / **F4**
Rectangle

E / **F5**
Ellipse, circle, arc

B / **Shift** + **F6**
Pen (Bezier curves)

T / **F8**
Text

D / **F7**
Dropper: pick a color

VIEW AND ZOOM

Plus / **Minus**
Zoom in / out

3
Zoom to selection

5
Fit page in window

Space
Hold and drag to pan

?
Command palette

%
Toggle snapping

FILE AND EDIT

Ctrl + **N**
New document

FILE AND EDIT (cont.)

Ctrl + **O**
Open

Ctrl + **S**
Save as Inkscape SVG

Ctrl + **Shift** + **E**
Export dialog: PNG, PDF, SVG

Ctrl + **Z**
Undo

Ctrl + **D**
Duplicate in place

SELECT

Esc
Deselect

Shift + **Click**
Add to or remove from selection

ARRANGE AND ALIGN

Ctrl + **G**
Group

Ctrl + **Shift** + **G** / **Ctrl** + **U**
Ungroup

Home / **End**
Raise to top / lower to bottom

Ctrl + **Shift** + **A**
Align and distribute dialog

TRANSFORM

Ctrl + **Drag**
Constrain move or keep aspect ratio

PATHS

Ctrl + **Shift** + **C**
Object to path

Ctrl + **Plus**
Union

Ctrl + **Minus**
Difference (bottom minus top)

LAYERS AND DIALOGS

Ctrl + **Shift** + **F**
Fill and stroke