Inkscape Cheat Sheet

Tools

F1, s	Selector
Space	Selector (temporary)
F2, n	Node tool
Shift +F2, w	Tweak tool
F3, z	Zoom tool
F4, r	Rectangle tool
Shift +F4, x	3D box tool
F5, e	Ellipse/arc tool
Shift +F9, *	Star tool
F9, i	Spiral tool
F6, p	Pencil (Freehand) tool
Shift +F6, b	Pen (Bezier) tool
Ctrl +F6, c	Calligraphy tool
F8, t	Text tool
Shift +F3, a	Spray tool
Shift +E	Eraser tool
Shift +F7, u	Paint Bucket tool
Ctrl +F1, g	Gradient tool
F7, d	Dropper tool
Ctrl +F2, o	Connector tool

Double click tool button opens Preferences

Grouping

Ctrl+G	Create a group
Ctrl+U	Ungroup
Ctrl click	Select object in group
Shift Ctrl click	Select several objects in group

Zoom

=, +	zoom in
-	zoom out
middle click, Ctrl +right click	zoom in
Shift +middle click, Shift +right click	zoom out
Ctrl +mouse wheel	zoom in or out
Alt +Z	activate zoom field
Shift +middle button drag	zoom into the area

Documents

Ctrl +N	create new document
Ctrl +S	save document
Shift + Ctrl +S	save under a new name
Ctrl +Tab	next document window
Shift + Ctrl +Tab	previous document window

Fill and stroke

Shift+Ctrl+W	Swatches dialog
Shift+Ctrl+F	Fill and Stroke dialog
Ctrl+F1	Gradient tool
F7	Dropper tool

Selections

Alt +click	select under
Shift +click	toggle selection
Shift+drag	rubberband
Esc	deselect all
Ctrl +A	select all in current layer
Tab	select next object
Shift +Tab	select previous object

Duplication, alignment, distribution

Ctrl+D	duplicate object
Ctrl+Shift+A	Align dialog

Z-order

Home	raise selection to top
End	lower selection to bottom
PgUp	raise selection one step
PgDn	lower selection one step

Shapes

Ctrl+Shift+C	convert shape to path
Ctrl	Draw fixed to ratio
Shift	Starting point is centre

Moving, scaling, rotating

mouse drag	select + move
Ctrl +mouse drag	restrict movement to horizontal or vertical
Alt +mouse drag	move selected
mouse drag	scale (with scale handles)
mouse drag	rotate or skew (with rotation handles)
,, < and ., > keys	scale selection up by the scale step
Ctrl / Alt / Shift + scale key	scale by 50%:200% / 1 screen pixel / 10 x scale step
[and] keys	rotate selection by the angle step
Ctrl / Alt + rotate key	rotate by 90° / 1 screen pixel
Alt key + Zoom	Zoom in for finer move, scale, rotate