How to embed a Google Map

Adding a Google Map to your website is a great way to demonstrate a wide range of location information in one place. This could refer to offices, projects, services or countries you work in.

Why not use a custom map?
Some websites have custom designed maps which look nice but these can be problematic for a few reasons:

- They are hard for you to update
- They can become out of date quite quickly
- They are expensive to design and build
- They are often not zoomable
- They tend not to work well on mobile devices

Why use a Google Map?
An embedded Google Map is a great choice to avoid all these issues. You own and control the map and can edit it at any time from within your Google Account. And of course, it's entirely free to implement and will always stay up to date.

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1. Go to https://www.google.co.uk/maps and make sure you’re signed in.
2. In the top left corner, click the menu icon to expand the menu.
3. Click Your Places > Maps and at the bottom click Create Map.
4. Give your map a title and description and add locations by clicking the marker icon or searching for locations. Repeat this step for all the locations you want to add.
5. You can explore advanced features such as adding layers, customising icons and changing the styling of the base map.

6. Make sure your map is public by clicking **Share** and making it **Public on the web**. Then choose **Embed on my site** from the options menu. Copy the embed code and paste it onto your webpage making sure you are in SOURCE or HTML mode rather than the rich text editor.