

5 MINUTE **Blog Setup**

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Introduction

Many people don't want to work with WordPress, because they are afraid it will be too complex and technical to install and work with. That's just not true! It's actually a LOT easier than you think!

In fact, you can have WordPress installed, set up, and ready to go in just 5 minutes or less. Even after installing plugins, themes, and everything, you may even have a minute or two left!

In this report, you're going to learn how to install WordPress very quickly. You will also learn how to install themes, configure important options, and much more.

Don't feel like you have to be a tech whiz to do this. Believe me, if you can browse the Internet and send email, you can learn how to do this. It's really not a big deal, and you have nothing to fear!

So let's get started.



Installing WordPress with cPanel & Fantastico

The fastest way to install WordPress is to use Fantastico that is included with some installations of cPanel. Not all hosting companies have this plugin for cPanel which makes life so much easier, so you should check to see if it is available with your current hosting company.



If not, you might sign up for another hosting company just to host your WordPress blogs. Many people use <http://www.HostGator.com> for this. You can get your first month of their Baby Croc plan (less than \$10 per month) for just a penny if you enter the coupon code "wordpress".

cPanel? Fantastico? What?

When you sign up for hosting, your hosting company will give you a URL to go to so you can manage your site. This is called a control panel, and one particular brand of this is called cPanel. If you didn't have a control panel you would have to do it all from something that looks like this:

```
BusyBox v1.13.4 (2010-08-12 04:46:50 CEST) built-in shell (ash)
Enter 'help' for a list of built-in commands.

\w@\h: \w\h$
```

Personally, I'd rather have a web interface than to try to figure out how to do it through a command line interface. While it is indeed possible, it wouldn't make for a very good 5 minute blog setup.

Fantastico is a plugin for cPanel that will help you install, uninstall, and manage software that you could otherwise install on your own or manually.

If you use Fantastico, it will take all of the headache out of installing everything by yourself. It only asks you the information that you need to supply immediately and then it will perform its magic leaving you with a very configurable WordPress installation.

Installing it Manually

So you want to install it manually instead of letting the server do it all for you, this is certainly your prerogative. Instead of detailing the complete setup process for a manual installation in this report, you will find it on WordPress.org:

http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress

The instructions on the page are thoroughly detailed, but be careful: they are not for the average user. This is for someone who wants to have full control over the entire process.



Using Fantastico



When you log into cPanel, you'll notice you have two columns of boxes. The left column is informational, and the right column (the column that is larger in width) are sets of programs for you to access.

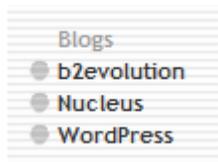
Currently, in the BabyCroc package, you'll have these sets on the right:

- Special Offers
- HostGator Links
- Preferences
- Mail
- Search Engine Optimization (SEO) Tools
- Files
- Logs
- Security
- Domains
- Databases
- Software/Services
- Advanced

The box that you will want on the right is the one-labeled “Software/Services”. Inside this box near the end, you will find the Fantastico De Luxe icon with a bunch of other icons:



Click this icon, which will bring you to the Fantastico page on your server. Then from here, you’ll want to click “WordPress” in the menu on the left, underneath the “Blogs” category.



In the main window, you will see “New Installation”. Click that link.

WordPress

Short description: WordPress is a blogging software with a focus on ease of use, elegance, performance, and standards with a huge selection of themes and plugins.

Homepage: <http://wordpress.org/>

[WordPress support forum](#)

(We are not associated with the support forum)

[New Installation](#) (3.0.3)

Disk space required: 10.24 MB

Disk space available: 985873.5 MB

Now you will see the first WordPress setup page. You will see the details for your blog setup. Use the pull down menu at the top to choose the domain you wish to install WordPress on.

Fill out everything as shown in the screenshot:

Admin access data

Administrator-username (you need this to enter the protected admin area)	<input type="text" value="admin"/>
Password (you need this to enter the protected admin area)	<input type="text" value="password"/>

Base configuration

Admin nickname	<input type="text" value="Admin"/>
Admin e-mail (your email address)	<input type="text" value="admin@yourdomain.com"/>
Site name	<input type="text" value="Your Site Name"/>
Description	<input type="text" value="A Short Description"/>

After you click “Install WordPress” it will ask for confirmation and then install it. After the installation is completed, you will have the option to send the installation details to one of your email addresses.

Basic Setup

After you have installed your blog, you need to configure it. You will want to go to:



<http://www.yourdomain.com/wp-admin>

And this will get you to the WordPress admin page for your blog, otherwise known as the Dashboard. This is also set up with multiple columns; the left-most column on this page is the main menu:

- Dashboard
- Posts
- Media
- Links
- Pages
- Comments
- Appearance
- Plugins
- Users
- Tools
- Settings

You'll want to click "Settings" and make sure all of the information is correct.

Permalinks



Permalinks are the way the URLs are configured for your blog. It is important to change this, as the default permalinks setting is not very search engine friendly. This means you could have trouble ranking well in the search engines if you leave the default setting.

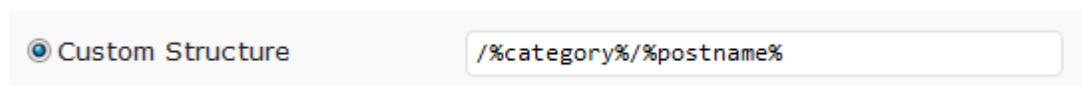
To change your permalinks setting, click “Permalinks” under the “Settings” section. It should be set to “Default” on a new installation, which would make your permalinks look like this:

<http://www.yourdomain.com/?p=123>

Locate the “Custom Structure” area. Click the circle beside “Custom Structure” to enable custom permalinks, and enter the following in the box to the right:

`%category%/%postname%`

It should look like this:

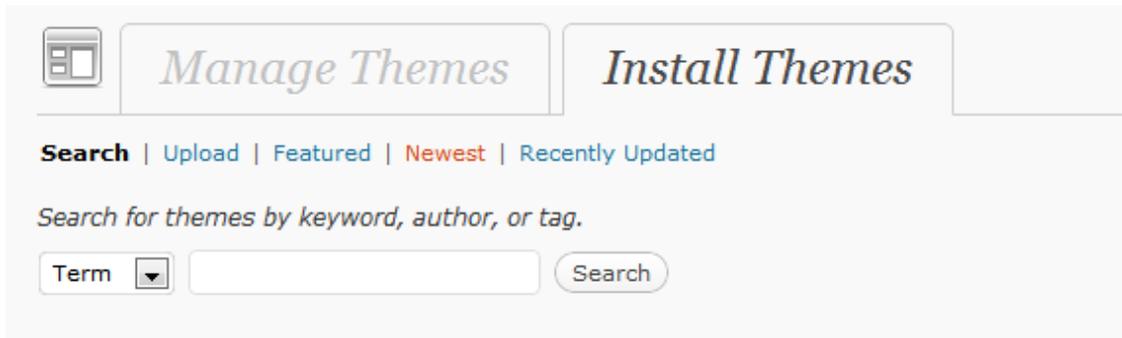


This will make your URLs more search engine friendly, looking like this:

<http://www.yourdomain.com/category/post-name-here>

Theme Installation

Click “Appearance” in your WordPress’s Dashboard and the first option you’ll be given is to manage your themes:



Click the “Install Themes” tab found at the top of the page and you can then search for themes that you want to install. For example, if you searched for “black”, you would find all of the themes that had “black” as a keyword.

The themes will be presented in a gallery format, each with two links under a screenshot and the theme name: Install and Preview.

If you click “Install”, a popup will appear and have the “Install Now” button on the bottom right of the popup. After clicking “Install Now”, it will give you three choices; you can choose to preview the theme, activate it, or return to the theme installer:



Actions: [Preview](#) | [Activate](#) | [Return to Theme Installer](#)

Plugin Installation

Plugins install just like themes; instead of clicking appearance, you would click “Plugins” also found on the main menu of your dashboard. After clicking “Plugins”, it will expand and the link to add new plugins will be there.

The right side of the page will have a list of plugins already installed where you can activate or deactivate them. Just because you install a plugin, it doesn’t mean it’s already activated.

You are also not limited to the “plugins” that you see listed.

One of the reasons WordPress is so incredibly popular is because of the extremely advanced professional “plugins” made available all over the web by crack developers

looking to make a name for themselves, as solution solvers or selling specialized plugins for a living.

One plugin that we have discovered, and we highly recommend, for you to check-out, is the [Awesome Slider](#). This is a plugin for grabbing the email addresses from visitors to your WordPress Blogs like an electromagnet and it's totally free!

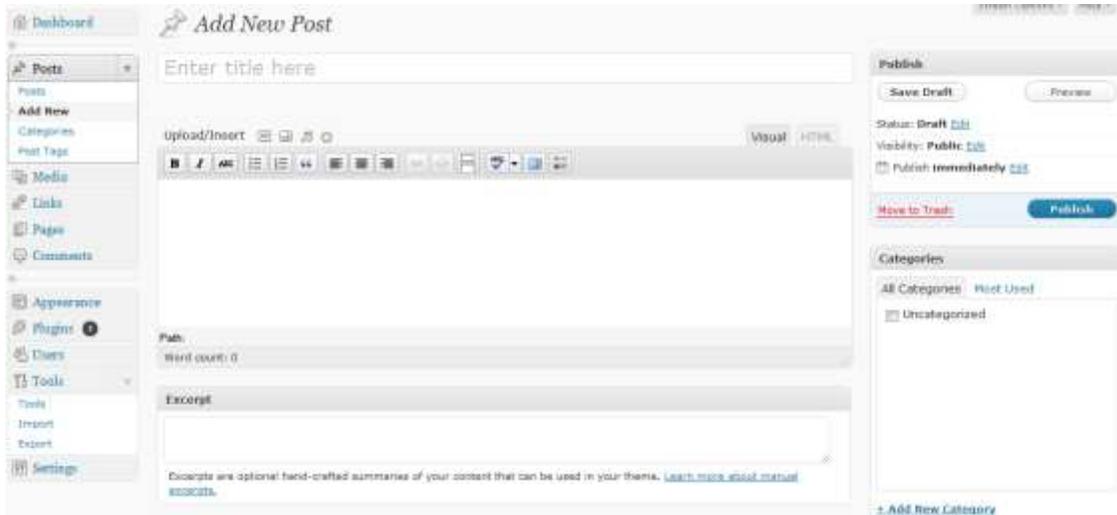
Another, incredibly powerful plugin we recommend for online entrepreneurs will completely manage sales and memberships by automatically, collecting payments, delivering products and services, and more, all on autopilot.

It's called [WP Sales Buddy](#) and combined with WordPress it is by far the simplest and fastest way to set-up an e-commerce system on the web and start making residual income online, that we have found.



Making Posts and Pages

Making a post in WordPress is really easy and you can get started right away.



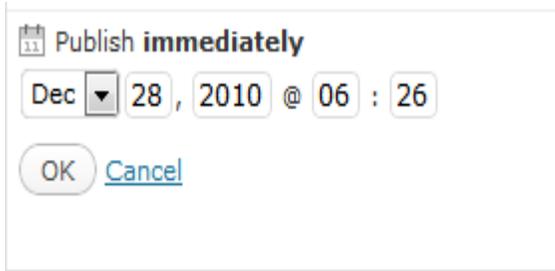
When you click on the “Posts” link from the main menu, you can select “Add New” and you’ll see the view above. If you’ve used many text editors before on websites then you pretty much know what you’re looking at on this page.

When you’re done putting in a title and the text for your post, you can select “Publish” and your post will be immediately viewable by all who are visiting your site.

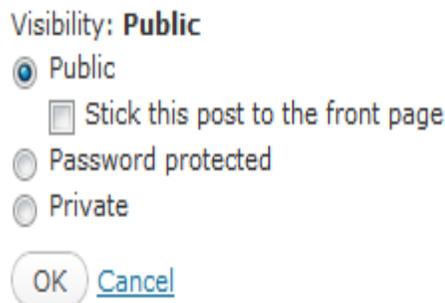
Important Notes

- You can also add categories “on the fly” by clicking the link “Add New Category”.
- You can assign as many categories as you want to the post.

- Instead of publishing immediately, you can schedule your post by clicking the “Edit” link after “Publish Immediately”.



- You can set the visibility of your posts to who you want to see it, i.e., public, password protected, and private.



Creating Pages

A page is basically a “super post”; it’s a post that takes an entire page and is linked to the front page of your blog. This is accessed by clicking “Pages” and then “Add New”.

Get More WordPress Help

If you want more help with WordPress, including everything you need to know to become a true WordPress master, check out

www.WPUnraveled.com.



You will find tutorials that will show you step-by-step how to:

- Install WordPress
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- Use the WordPress Dashboard
- Create posts and pages
- Optimize your blog for search engines
- Use widgets of all types
- Use plugins properly
- Add avatars to comments
- Control spam
- Add contact forms
- Add images, video, and other media to posts
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