

Using Wordpress for Site Management

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Introduction

- Holiday Home Website
- High speed, low budget
- Client wanted to be able to alter the content of the site.

Choice of Wordpress

- Chose Wordpress because...
 - Prior experience with using for blog/pages.
 - Quick to get going and install
 - Good community support documentation and 3rd party plugins
 - Multiuser
 - Free, open source

Page Management

Dashboard Write **Manage** Links Presentation Plugins Users Options Import

Posts **Pages** Categories Comments Awaiting Moderation (0) Files Backup

Page Management

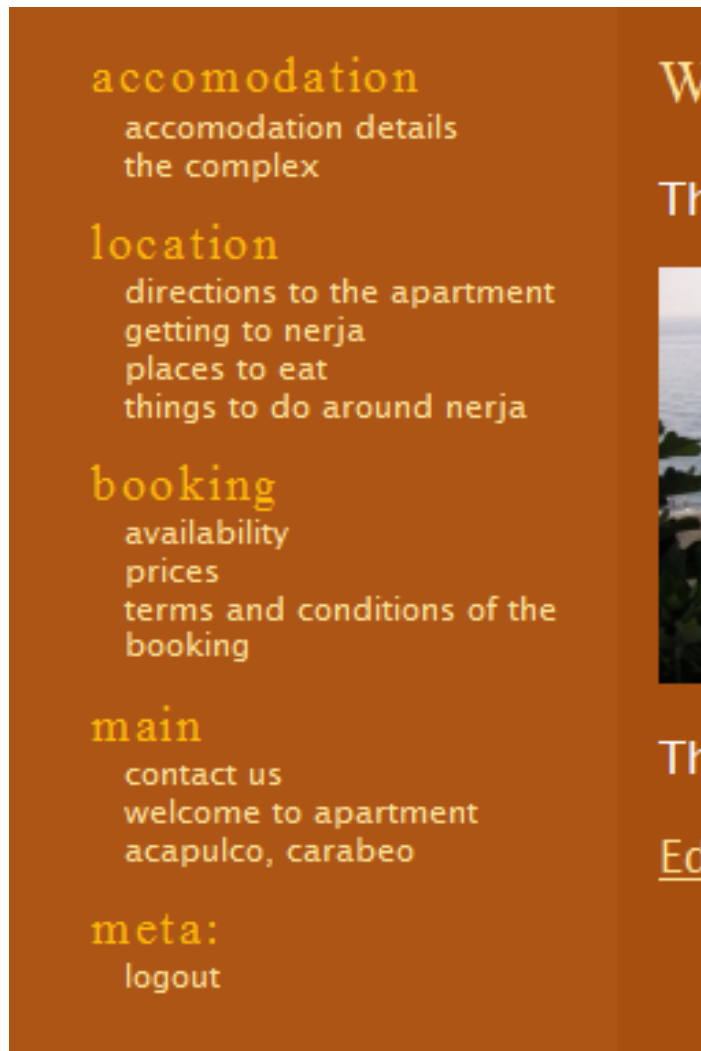
Pages are like posts except they live outside of the normal blog chronology and can be hierarchical. You can use pages to organize and manage any amount of content. [Create a new page »](#)

Search Pages...

ID	Title	Owner	Updated			
17	Accomodation	acapulco	2006-09-21 12:11 pm	View	Edit	Delete
9	— Accomodation Details	acapulco	2007-01-24 12:26 am	View	Edit	Delete
11	— The Complex	acapulco	2007-01-23 11:33 pm	View	Edit	Delete
22	Current Availability	acapulco	2006-10-03 10:31 pm	View	Edit	Delete
16	Location	acapulco	2006-09-21 12:07 pm	View	Edit	Delete
6	— Directions to the Apartment	acapulco	2007-01-24 12:27 am	View	Edit	Delete
5	— Getting to Nerja	acapulco	2007-01-28 3:56 pm	View	Edit	Delete
7	— Things to Do Around Nerja	acapulco	2007-01-22 1:02 am	View	Edit	Delete
23	— Places to Eat	acapulco	2007-01-23 11:40 pm	View	Edit	Delete
18	Booking	acapulco	2006-09-21 12:12 pm	View	Edit	Delete
12	— Prices	acapulco	2007-01-24 9:30 am	View	Edit	Delete

- Under Wordpress, pages can be managed, and pages can be the “owner” of other pages.
- This is useful for dynamic menus which can be driven from this hierarchy.

Sidebar code and output



There was no way to do the whole menu in one hit, so instead, we output each of the “level 1” topics as a menu.

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<?php wp_list_pages('title_li=Accomodation&child_of=17'); ?>
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<?php wp_list_pages('title_li=Location&child_of=16'); ?>
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<?php wp_list_pages('title_li=Booking&child_of=18'); ?>
```

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<?php wp_list_pages('title_li=Main&child_of=19'); ?>
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WYSIWYG Editing

Apartment Acapulco [\(View site >\)](#) Howdy

Dashboard **Write** Manage Links Presentation Plugins Users Options Import


Write Post **Write Page**

Write Page

Page Title

Page Content

B I ABC [List Icons] [HTML] [User Icon]



Around the Complex

- ◆ [5 min](#) downhill walk to [Burriana](#) beach with its selection of restaurants and bars, there is also a [Padi](#) dive centre here.

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Dashboard Write Manage Links Presentation Plugins **Users** Options Import

Your Profile **Authors & Users**

! Changed roles.

User List by Role

Administrator

ID	Username	Name	E-mail	Website	Posts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	admin		acapulco@acapulco.co.uk		0	Edit

Editor

ID	Username	Name	E-mail	Website	Posts	
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	martinpanes	Martin Panes	martin@carabeo.co.uk		0	Edit

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- Multiple users can be set up with different roles. This allows users to be restricted from changing theme/plugin information.

Non-blogging

- Wordpress allows the creation of Pages as well as blogs. But the start page is always the blog.
- The solution is a plugin called the filosofo homepage control which allows the administrator to choose which page is the start page.

Homepage Control

Dashboard Write Manage Links Presentation Plugins Users **Options** Import

General Writing Reading Discussion Permalinks Miscellaneous **Home-Page Control** Weathericon Contact Form

Choose the home-page and set the blog directory

Home-Page Page:

Select which page your template directory should load the template's "index.php" file.

Blog directory:

Enter the "directory" for the main blog page, if you want <http://www.carabeo.co.uk/blog> to open the main blog page, enter "blog" above.

Note: As with other fields, the "blog directory" should not actually exist on your server's filesystem.

You may also want to use the "blog directory" by prepending this directory in the "Structure" field.

- WordPress Default
- Accommodation
- Accommodation Details
- Availability
- Booking
- Contact Us
- Current Availability
- Directions to the Apartment
- Getting to Nerja
- Location
- Main
- Places to Eat
- Prices
- Terms and Conditions of the Booking
- The Complex
- Things to Do Around Nerja
- Welcome to Apartment Acapulco, Carabeo



Non-standard content

- Users are restricted in the content that can be entered in the WYSIWYG editor. So no Javascript/PHP. There are two ways around this.
 - Plugins. Many of these are built to look for markers in the text and to trigger functionality (eg including a Google Map).
 - Custom Pages. In a theme, as well as the default page, you can create multiple page templates. When adding a new page, you choose the required template. In our case, we needed to include the rental calendar from the Holiday Rentals site.

Finished Site



Apartment Acapulco

acomodation
acomodation details
the complex

location
directions to the apartment
getting to nerja
places to eat
things to do around nerja

booking
availability
prices
terms and conditions of the booking

main
contact us
welcome to apartment
acapulco, carabeo

meta:
login



temperature: 52°f

Welcome to Apartment Acapulco, Carabeo

The Apartment Acapulco is on the Carabeo in Nerja on the Costa Del Sol.



This website is designed to allow you to get more information on the apartment, the area and how to book the apartment.

Missing?

- Nice to have...
 - Audit Trail
 - Draft/Approval Pages
 - Page/User roles

Thank you for listening...

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