



Current development on JAMWiki is primarily focused on maintenance rather than new features due to a lack of developer availability. If you are interested in working on JAMWiki please join the jamwiki-devel mailing list.

# Help:Links

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There are four sorts of links in JAMWiki:

1. **internal links** to other pages in the wiki
2. **external links** to other websites
3. **interwiki links** to other websites registered to the wiki in advance
4. **Virtual wiki links** to other virtual wikis on the current wiki

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## Internal links [edit]

To add an internal link, enclose the name of the page you want to link to in double square brackets. When you save the page, you'll see the new link pointing to your page. If the page exists already it is displayed in blue, if it does not, in red. Selflinks to the current page are not transformed in URLs but displayed in bold. (If you really want to link to the current page, use an anchor (see below), or [[#top|current page]] which always links to the top.)

The first letter of the target page is automatically capitalized, unless otherwise set by the admins, and spaces are represented as underscores (typing an underscore in the link will have a similar effect as typing a space, but is not recommended, since the underscore will also be shown in the text).

Description	You type	You get
Internal link	<code>[[JAMWiki]]</code>	JAMWiki
Piped link	<code>[[JAMWiki different text]]</code> See also <a href="#">Meta:Help:Piped link</a>	different text
word-ending links	<code>[[Configuration]]s</code> <code>[[Configuration]]ing</code> <code>[[Configuration]]ers</code> <code>[[Configuration]]anylettersyoulikehere</code>	Configurations Configurating Configuraters Configurationanylettersyoulikehere
Redirect	<code>#REDIRECT [[JAMWiki]]</code> See also <a href="#">Help:Redirects</a>	→ <a href="#">JAMWiki</a>

Internal link to an anchor	<code>[[#Internal links]]</code> Section headings and the top of the page are automatically anchored.	#Internal links
Internal link to an anchor from different text	<code>[[#Internal links different text]]</code>	different text
Setting an internal link anchor	<code>&lt;div id="NameOfAnchorHere"&gt;optional text&lt;/div&gt;</code> Omit the "optional text" for invisible anchor.	optional text
Internal link to an anchor at another page	<code>[[Help:Images#Internal links]]</code>	Help:Images#Internal links
Internal link to the current page's talk page	<code>[[{{TALKPAGENAME}} Discussion]]</code> See also <a href="#">Help:Magic_words#Page_names</a>	Discussion
Internal link to a category page	<code>[[Category:User Documentation]]</code> See also <a href="#">Help:Categories</a>	Category:User Documentation
Internal link to an image or a file of other types	<code>[[media:example.jpg]]</code> <code>[[media:example.pdf]]</code> See also <a href="#">Help:Images</a>	media:example.jpg media:example.pdf

## External links [edit]

Description	You type	You get
External link	<code>http://mediawiki.org</code>	<a href="http://mediawiki.org">http://mediawiki.org</a>
External link with different label	<code>[http://mediawiki.org MediaWiki]</code>	<a href="#">MediaWiki</a>
Numbered external link	<code>[http://mediawiki.org]</code>	<a href="#">[1]</a>
External links with file icons	<code>[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/.avi video]</code> <code>[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/.ogg sound]</code> <code>[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/.pdf document]</code>	<a href="#">video</a> <a href="#">sound</a> <a href="#">document</a>
External link to the same host	<code>http://{{SERVERNAME}}/pagename</code>	<a href="http://jamwiki.org/pagename">http://jamwiki.org/pagename</a>
External link to other host passing the pagename	<code>http://google.com/search?q={{PAGENAME}}</code>	<a href="http://google.com/search?q=Links">http://google.com/search?q=Links</a>
Mailto link	<code>[mailto:info@example.org email me]</code>	<a href="mailto:info@example.org">email me</a>
Mailto named with subject line and body	<code>[mailto:info@example.org?Subject=URL%20Encoded%20Subject&amp;body=Body%20Text info]</code>	<a href="mailto:info@example.org">info</a>

## How to avoid auto-links [edit]

By default, when you write a URL as is, it will be transformed to an external link.

To avoid that effect, put the URL between `<nowiki>` tags as in:

```
<nowiki>http://mediawiki.org</nowiki>
```

## Interwiki links [[edit](#)]

Interwiki links are links with the internal link markup to a website registered in advance. For example, you can link to the Sunflower article on <http://en.wikipedia.org> by typing `[[:wikipedia:Sunflower]]`, which will result in a link [wikipedia:Sunflower](#). This is because `http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/` is registered to your wiki by default with the prefix of `wikipedia`. *This link may not work properly, if the admin of your wiki has changed the setting.* Unlike internal links, interwiki links do not use page existence detection, so an interwiki link will appear blue even if the page does not exist on the remote wiki.

Similar to internal page links, you can create piped links, with alternate link label, e.g. `[[:wikipedia:Sunflower|big yellow flower]]`.

Basically this is an abbreviation for longer URLs. A very similar link could be created as a normal external link by typing `[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sunflower big yellow flower]`, but interwiki links allow you to type out an easy and compact link, almost as if you are linking to a page on your own wiki.

The available interwiki links that are configured for a site can be managed from the [Special:VirtualWiki](#) tool by users with admin rights on the wiki.

The default Interwiki links installed with JAMWiki (as of version 1.1) are:

Prefix	Pattern	Target
<code>jamwikiorg</code>	<code>http://jamwiki.org/wiki/en/{0}</code>	JAMWiki
<code>mediawiki</code>	<code>http://www.mediawiki.org/wiki/{0}</code>	MediaWiki
<code>metawikipedia</code>	<code>http://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/{0}</code>	Wikimedia Meta-Wiki
<code>wiki</code>	<code>http://c2.com/cgi/wiki?{0}</code>	WikiWiki
<code>wikia</code>	<code>http://www.wikia.com/wiki/index.php/{0}</code>	Wikia
<code>wikipedia</code>	<code>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/{0}</code>	Wikipedia
<code>wikiquote</code>	<code>http://en.wikiquote.org/wiki/{0}</code>	Wikiquote
<code>wikinews</code>	<code>http://en.wikinews.org/wiki/{0}</code>	Wikinews

## Virtual wiki links [[edit](#)]

If your wiki utilizes virtual wikis, you may find "virtual wiki links" in the [sidebar](#) in the box named "Other Languages."

Virtual wiki links behave similar to interwiki links, except that they are listed in a separate box. To create an virtual wiki link from a page, just type `[[:virtual wiki prefix:pagename]]` wherever you like in the page; the language prefix is the prefix specified at your wiki for the other language version (typically the [ISO language code](#)).

If you want to make the virtual wiki link to appear in the content of the page, you can add a colon before the language prefix, e.g. `[[:en:Sunflower]]`.

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