Install and Add an EasyRotator Slideshow to a Page/Post

Open desired webpage in WordPress. In edit mode, click the EasyRotator icon located above the visual editor.

Follow these steps to install EasyRotator (NOTE: This is a one-time install):

Select a Rotator To Insert

Use the manager below to create or select an existing rotator to embed in your post:

No rotators here. New Rotator

No folders here. New Folder

To get started, click this button to create your first rotator

Welcome To EasyRotator!

To get started creating rotators, you need to install the latest version of the EasyRotator wizard application. Click Continue to automatically install and get started! Be patient - it may take a second for the installation to start. If you run into any trouble, open the help.
Leave the default check boxes checked.
Now that you're in the EasyRotator wizard, you'll be asked to name the new rotator and specify its dimensions. Naming the rotator allows you to identify it more easily later when editing.

Here's an overview of the interface:

- On the left, there are 3 main navigation buttons. The buttons provide access to the three main sections of the wizard - the Rotator Images/Links section, the Layout/Presentation section, and the General Settings section.

- Along the bottom are the main program buttons:
  - **Save and Exit** - This is the button you'll use to exit once you're done creating or editing a rotator and ready to exit the wizard.
  - **Cancel and Exit** - If you change your mind about creating or editing a rotator, you can cancel and none of your changes will be preserved.
  - **Preview** - As you're making changes and creating or editing a rotator, this button allows you to preview your work with a single click.
  - **Launch Help** - Provides a shortcut to this help page.

- The Feedback button on the top right allows you to instantly send feedback about EasyRotator from within the program.
Adding Images

Click the Add Photo(s)/Video button. Then click Add Photo(s).

You can choose from Photos On Your Computer, WordPress Media Library or WordPress Post Featured Images Photos by clicking on the appropriate tab at the top of the wizard. Select desired photo(s) and click Add Photos.
The **Rotator Images/Links** Section lists the photos you selected. You can see information about a photo along with a larger preview by hovering over it. Double-clicking opens a dialog where you can manually change a photo's source and/or associated thumbnail image. Most of the time, though, you'll only need the options available in the main view. You can specify a title, description and link by clicking and typing on the grayed-out values. HTML can be used in the title and description values.

The Editor Options menu allows you to show more advanced options in the editor, or hide all but the most basic options:

The Editor Size option lets you change the size of each thumbnail, as well as allow more or less room for typing description text. The Preview Image Type option lets you specify what photo should be shown as the preview - the slide's main/full-size image, the slide's thumbnail image, or no preview image.

The Re-Order / Delete Mode button at the bottom lets you toggle in and out of re-order / delete mode. In this mode, you're able to drag around the slides, re-ordering them as needed. You can also remove unwanted slides.
The Tools menu provides access to additional important management tools:

Note that two different photos can be specified for each slide - both a main image and a thumbnail image. For some layout templates, only the main image is applicable, but for others a separate thumbnail image is displayed as well. By default, the same photo is used for both; the thumbnail version is just scaled down. However, you can specify a separate image for the thumbnail. This can be a special scaled and/or cropped version of the full-size photo, or an entirely separate photo. The Thumbnail Generator allows you to create specially scaled and cropped versions of the full-size photos:

Most of the options are self explanatory; for more information about an option, hover over its label. If you later change your mind after specifying separate thumbnail photos, you can change back to using the same photos by clicking the Use full-size images as thumbs link. The Image Optimizer / Resizer lets you resize large photos to match the size needed for the rotator, optimizing performance and load time. It functions similarly to the thumbnail generator:
When you are finished adding/editing your photos, click the **Layout/Presentation** button in the left menu. Here, you can set the dimensions and background color.

Click on desired template Set desired template options. Click Apply Template.
Finally is the **General Setting** section, accessible via the main navigation menu on the left:
The options here are generally self-explanatory. The randomization option lets you automatically have a different slide order each time the rotator is displayed. Autoplay can be used to make the rotator automatically progress from slide to slide until the user interacts with the rotator.

When you are completely finished, click the “Save and Exit” button

Click the Back to Manager button.

![Rotator Successfully Deployed](image)

Click ‘Back to Manager’, then switch back to the WordPress Admin in your browser to add the rotator to your post or page or widget right now. NOTE: You may need to use the ‘Refresh Current View’ button to see the new rotator listed.

You can also add this rotator to a post, page or widget later in WordPress, via the EasyRotator button in the post editor or widget configuration dialog.

You will be sent back to your WordPress page. Select a Rotator Alignment from the drop down menu and click the Insert Rotator button.
The code for the rotator will be added to your WordPress editor.

Click Publish/Update when you are finished working on your webpage.
Making changes to a rotator:

Click the EasyRotator icon located above the visual editor.

Click the desired rotator and click Edit this Rotator.

Other options include:

- **Get WordPress Embed Code** – displays the code you need to embed the slideshow into your webpage (see Fig. 9). The code is automatically copied to your clipboard and can be pasted anywhere.
- **Rename this Rotator**… - lets you rename your slider
- **Delete this rotator…** - type ‘remove’ in the Confirm Deletion box and click the **Permanently Delete Rotator** button

Make changes to your rotator as described above and click Save and Exit when you are finished. Changes will then be applied to your sideshow.
Using EasyRotator via the desktop icon:

Click the **EasyRotator** icon located on your computer’s desktop

To create a new slideshow, click the **New Rotator** button

To work with an existing slideshow, select the desired slideshow and click the down arrow to the right of its name. Here you can choose from the following options:

- **Edit this rotator** - make changes to the selected slideshow. Click the **Save and Exit** button when finished.
- **Get WordPress Embed Code** – displays the code you need to embed the slideshow into your webpage (see Fig. 9) The code is automatically copied to your clipboard and can be pasted anywhere.
- **Rename this Rotator…** - lets you rename your slider
- **Delete this rotator…** - type ‘remove’ in the Confirm Deletion box and click the **Permanently Delete Rotator** button

![EasyRotator](image)

**Fig. 9**