

Changing Content Entry Forms



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Goal

Change the Recipe form to use a different widget to enter terms in the Ingredients field.

Prerequisite knowledge

- [Adding a Content Type](#)
- [Adding Basic Fields to a Content Type](#)
- [Concept: Taxonomy](#)
- [Concept: Forms and Widgets](#)

Site prerequisites

The Recipe content type must exist, and it must have an Ingredients taxonomy term reference field. At least one Vendor content item must exist. See [Adding a Content Type](#) and [Setting Up a](#)

Steps

1. In the *Manage* administrative menu, navigate to *Content > Add content > Recipe* (*node/add/recipe*) to look at the content entry form that is set up by default. Notice how you have to enter ingredients one by one, instead of having a more compact format.
2. In the *Manage* administrative menu, navigate to *Structure > Content types* (*admin/structure/types*). Then click *Manage form display* on the dropdown button for the Recipe content type. The *Manage form display* page appears.
3. For the Ingredients field, select *Autocomplete (Tags style)* in the *Widget* column.

Field	Machine name	Widget	
⚡ Recipe name	title	Textfield	Textfield size: 60
⚡ Authored by	uid	Autocomplete	Autocomplete matching: Contains Autocomplete suggestion list size: 10 Textfield size: 60 No placeholder
⚡ Authored on	created	Datetime Timestamp	
⚡ Promoted to front page	promote	Single on/off checkbox	Use field label: Yes
⚡ Sticky at top of lists	sticky	Single on/off checkbox	Use field label: Yes
⚡ URL alias	path	URL alias	
⚡ Published	status	Single on/off checkbox	Use field label: Yes
⚡ Body	body	Text area with a summary	Number of rows: 9 Number of summary rows: 3
⚡ Main image	field_main_image	Image	Preview image style: Thumbnail (100×100) Progress indicator: throbber
⚡ Ingredients	field_ingredients	Autocomplete (Tags style)	Autocomplete matching: Contains Autocomplete suggestion list size: 10 Textfield size: 60 No placeholder
⚡ Submitted by	field_submitted_by	Autocomplete	Autocomplete matching: Contains Autocomplete suggestion list size: 10 Textfield size: 60 No placeholder

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4. Click *Save*.
5. In the *Manage* administrative menu, navigate to *Content > Add content > Recipe* (*node/add/recipe*) to verify the changed behavior of the content form. The *Ingredients* field is now a single text field that accepts multiple values.

Home > > Add content

Create Recipe ☆

Recipe name *

Body (Edit summary)

B I Paragraph Source

Text format Basic HTML

[About text formats](#)

^ Main image *

Add a new file *

Choose File No file chosen

One file only.
5 MB limit.
Allowed types: png gif jpg jpeg webp.
Images must be larger than 600x600 pixels.

Ingredients

Enter ingredients that site visitors might want to search for

Submitted by *

Choose the vendor that submitted this recipe

☒ Published

Save

Preview

Last saved: Not saved yet

Author: admin

Revision log message

Briefly describe the changes you have made.

URL alias

No alias

Authoring information

By admin (1) on 2024-08-20

Promotion options

Not promoted

6. Create two Recipe content items (see [Creating a Content Item](#)), such as recipes for "Green Salad" and "Fresh Carrots". Make sure all the fields have values, including images, ingredients, and submitted by (set this to one of the Vendor content items you created in [Adding Basic Fields to a Content Type](#)).

Expand your understanding

Change the main site Contact form by navigating in the *Manage* administrative menu to *Structure* > *Contact forms*. For instance, you may want to hide the *Send yourself a copy* or *Language* fields.

Videos

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