

How to Create a WordPress Post Carousel

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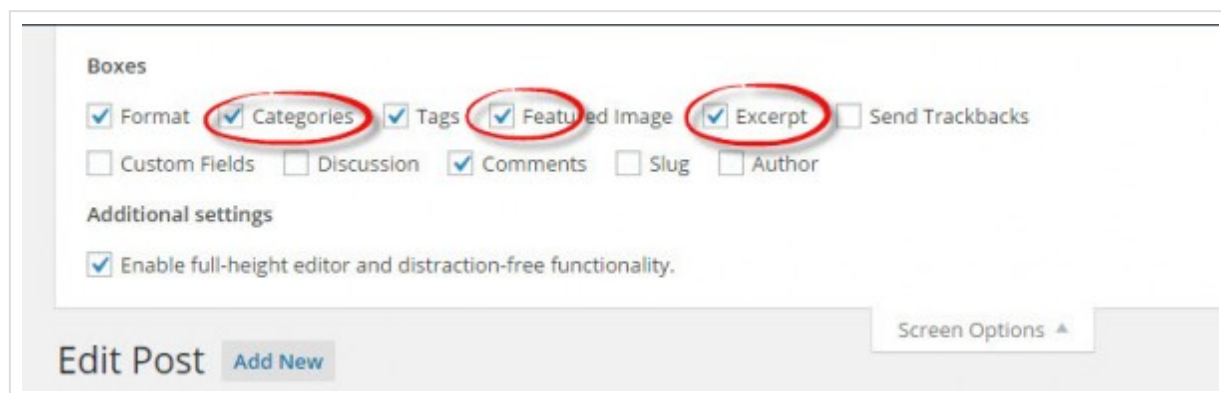
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This tutorial will show you how to add a recent post carousel or a category post carousel to your website. You will find how easy it is to automatically update your carousel using WonderPlugin Carousel.

Step1. Prepare the post with specific configuration

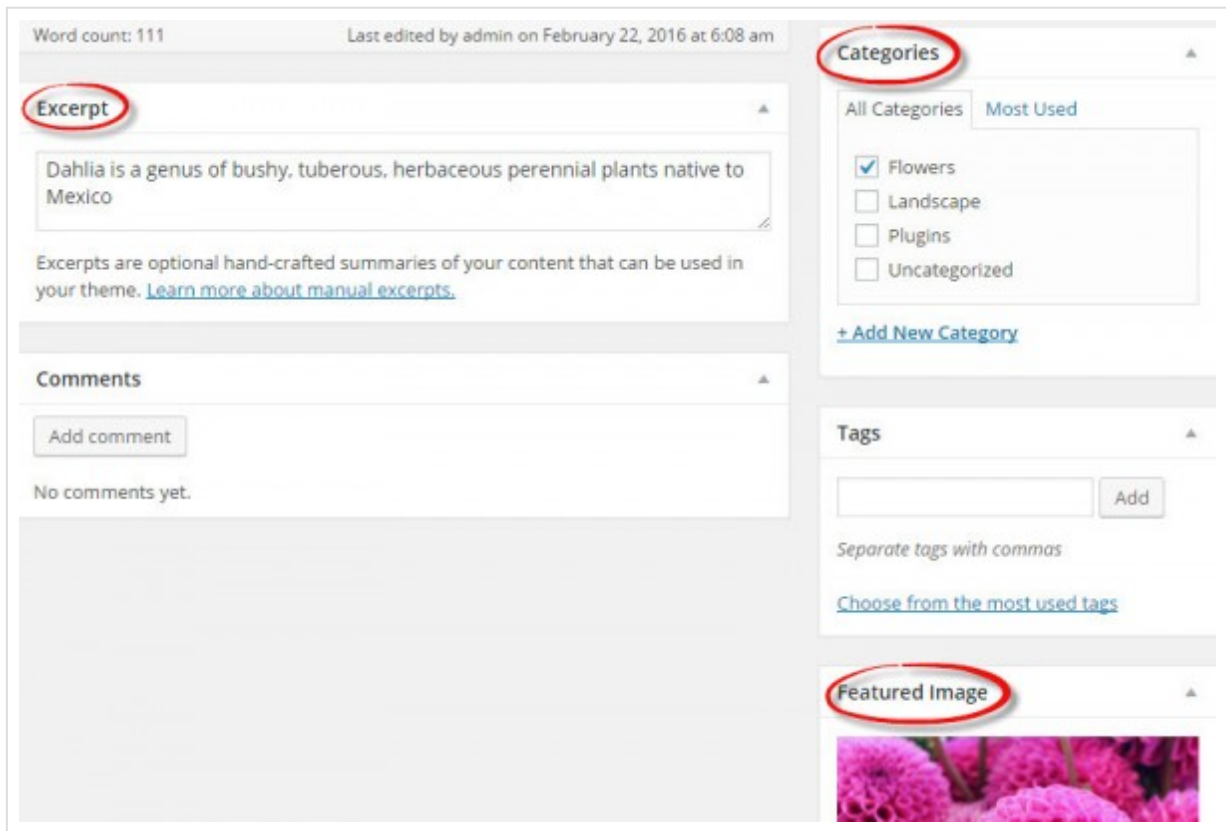
1. In the post editor, click the Screen Options tab on the top right, make sure you tick the boxes of Categories, Featured Image and Excerpt



2. Choose the categories. You can select one or more categories. The category is one of the filter selections when you create the post carousel.

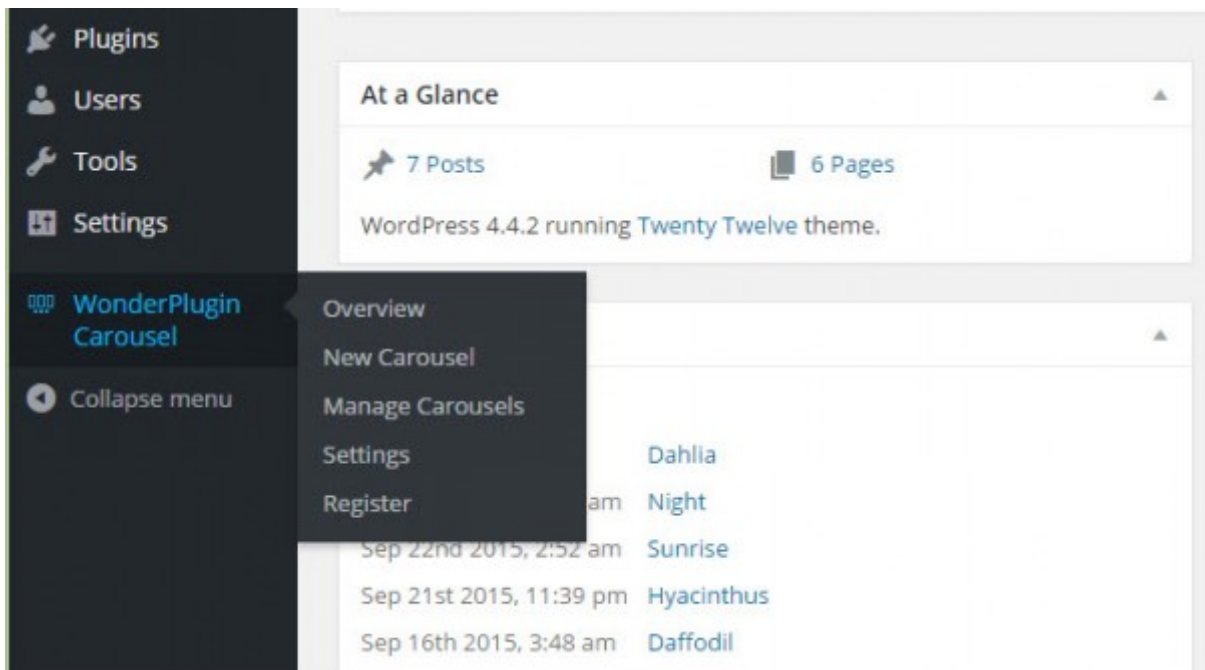
3. Set the featured image. The featured image will be added to the carousel as the post image.

4. Fill in the excerpt field. The excerpts are optional summaries of your post content that can be used as the description of the carousel item.



Step2 create the post carousel

1. Move your mouse to the WonderPlugin Carousel under the dashboard on the left side of your page. This will show you options for your carousel. Choose "New Carousel".



2. In the "New Carousel" page, at step1 "Images & Videos", click "Add WordPress Posts" tab.

New Carousel [Manage Carousels](#)

General Options

Name

Designing

Images & Videos
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3. Click the drop-down menu of “Select Posts”. Then choose the item from “Recent Post” or “Category”. If you choose “Recent Post”, the carousel will display all of the recent posts up to the number you set. If you choose “Category”, the carousel will only display the posts which are belonging to the category you select. Click OK button.

Add Posts

Select Posts

Maximum Posts

Featured Image Size

Maximum Excerpt Word Length

When clicking on the image

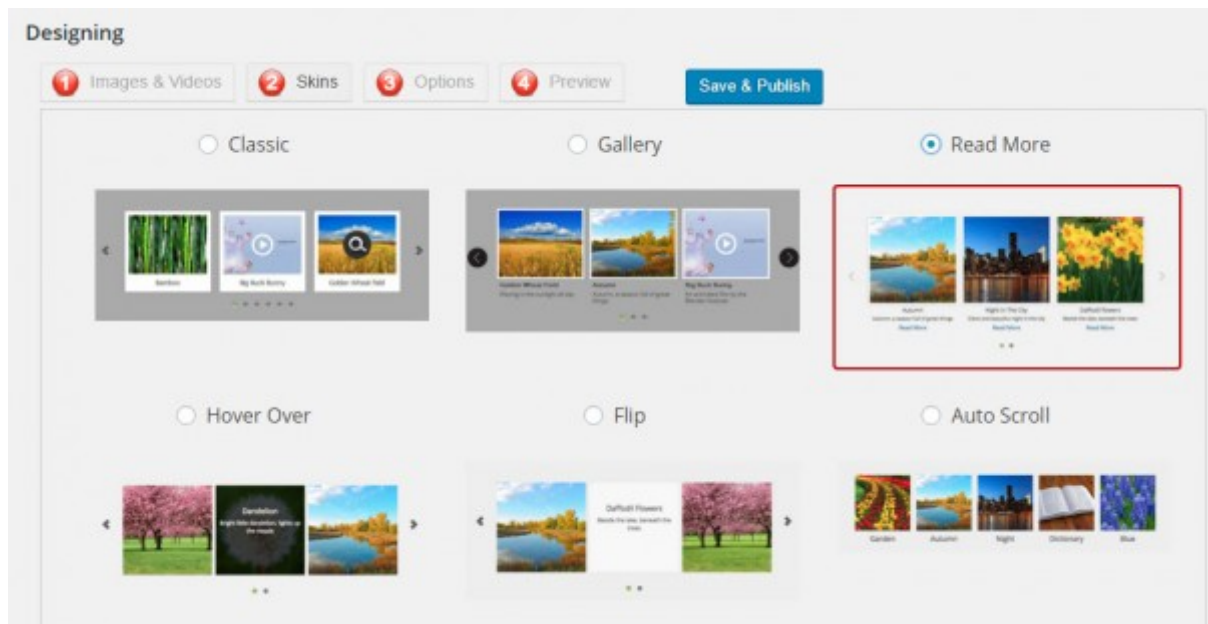
Open the featured image in lightbox
 Set Lightbox size /
 Open the post page

Link Target

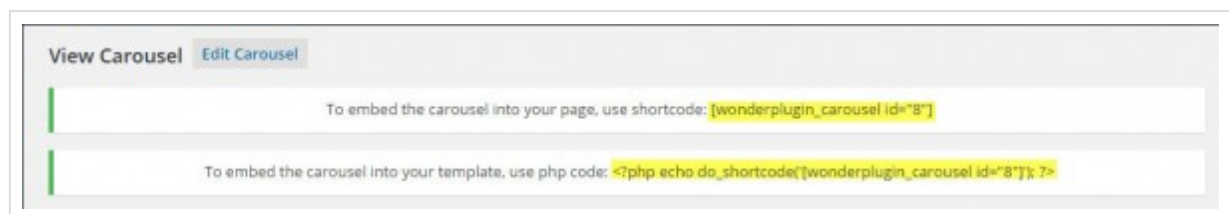
Title Link title to the post page

- The featured image of a post will be used as the image of the carousel item. For how to define featured images for posts, please view [WordPress Featured Images](#).
- The title of a post will be used as the title property of the carousel item.
- The excerpt of a post will be used as the description property of the carousel item. For how to add excerpts for posts, please view [WordPress Excerpts](#).

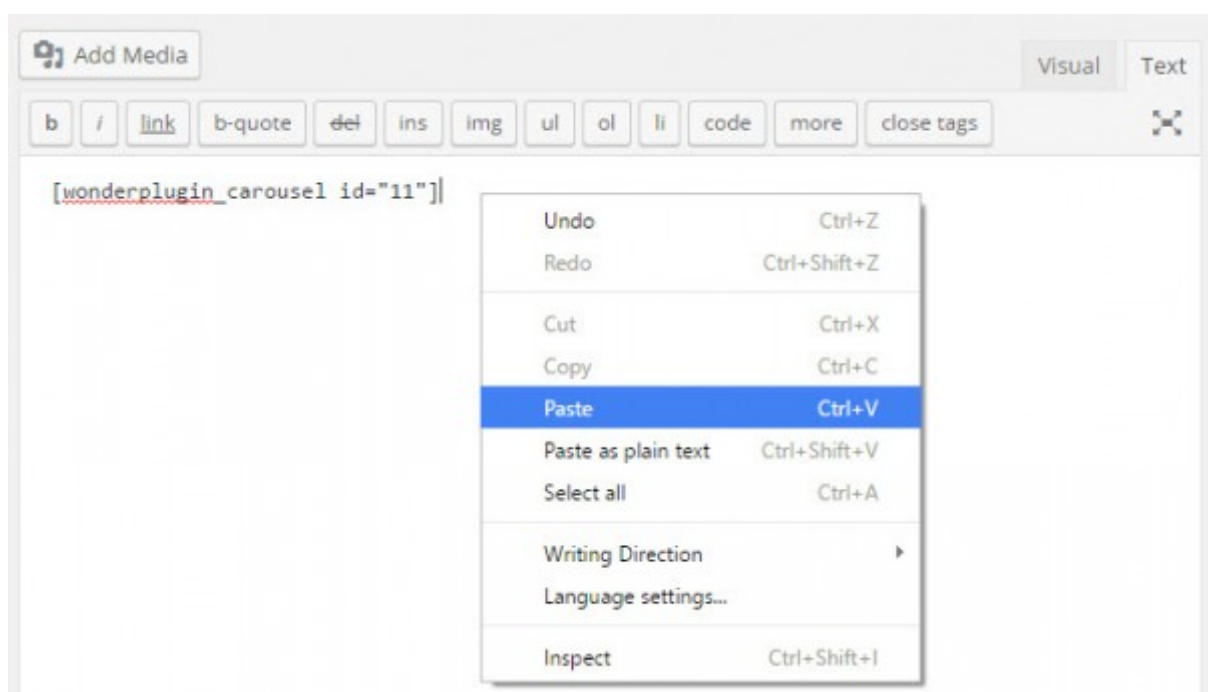
4. In the “New Carousel” page, click the step2 “Skins” tab, choose the skins you like. Only some of the skin will display the excerpt as well as the featured image.



5. Click “Save & Publish” button. You can click “View Carousel” to preview the carousel. If you are not satisfied with the one you just created, click “Edit Carousel”, this will take you to the “Edit Carousel” page. Then repeat step 3 and 4. If you are happy with the carousel, you only need to copy the shortcode or php code.



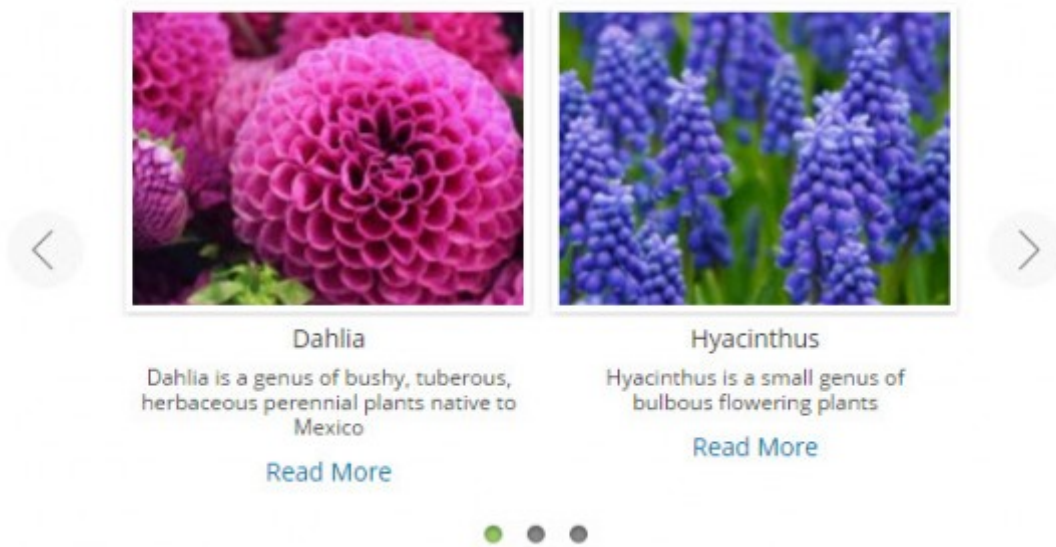
6. Open the page or post you want to insert the post carousel, paste the code in the “Text” window. Then click the “Publish” or “Update” button on the right side of the page.



Now you got a post carousel which could be automatically updated when you post new

contents.

Carousel



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