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BT Content Slider

JOOMLA EXTENSION

User guide

Version 2.0

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Introduction

This module helps you create a slideshow of your articles from Joomla! Categories or K2 Component with cool effects and various configurations: covering layout, animation control, auto thumbnail creating, images resizing, articles numbering, ordering...

Related Topics:

[Details](#)

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Product Features

Multi-source

- You can get articles from any category or article ID's. Note that BT Content Slider also supports K2 component.

Easy to customize

- Scaling size of the module on browser is available
- There are many parameters for slideshow configuring: article's title, image, description and "read more" button
- You are able to configure style, time of slider and even layout of slider with number of columns and number of rows
- Thumbnail images are also customizable with intelligent image cropping

Cross-browser support

- Compatible with Joomla 1.5, Joomla 2.5 and almost all web browsers: Firefox 3+, IE7+, Opera 9.5, Safari, Netscape, Google Chrome, Camino, Flock 0.7+.

Installing and Upgrading

System Requirement

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| Server requirements | PHP 5.0 or above with GD library is enabled. Please follow this link to check it MySQL 5.0 or above Joomla 1.5.x or above; |
| Client requirements | Firefox 3.0.x, Internet Explorer 7 or above. |

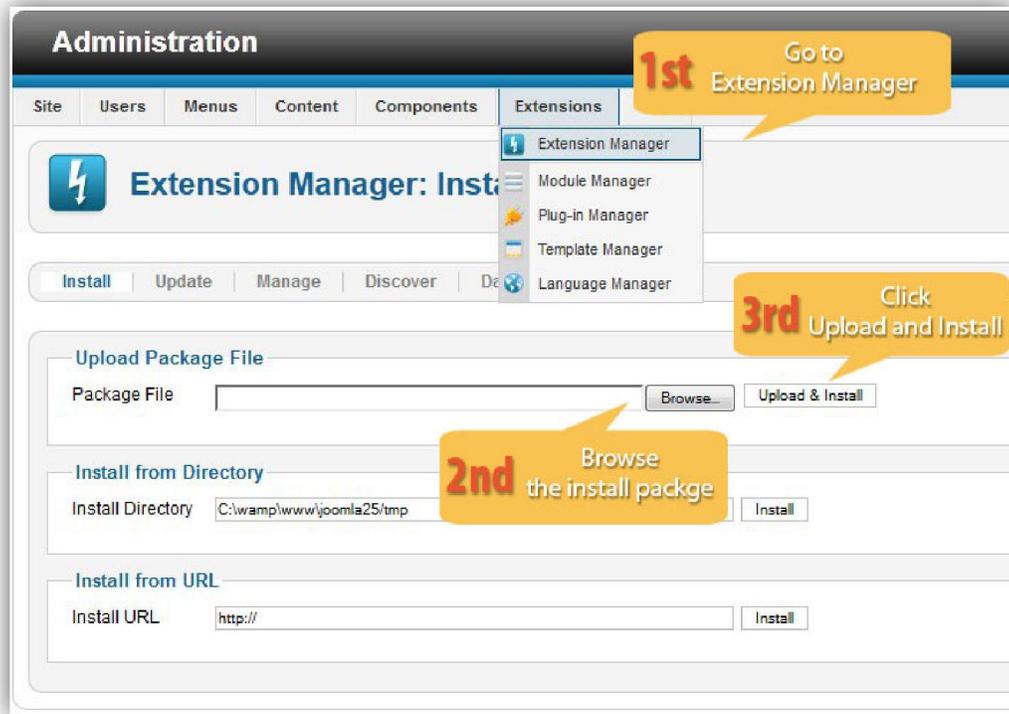
Downloading

BT Content Slider is free extension, you can download it [here](#).

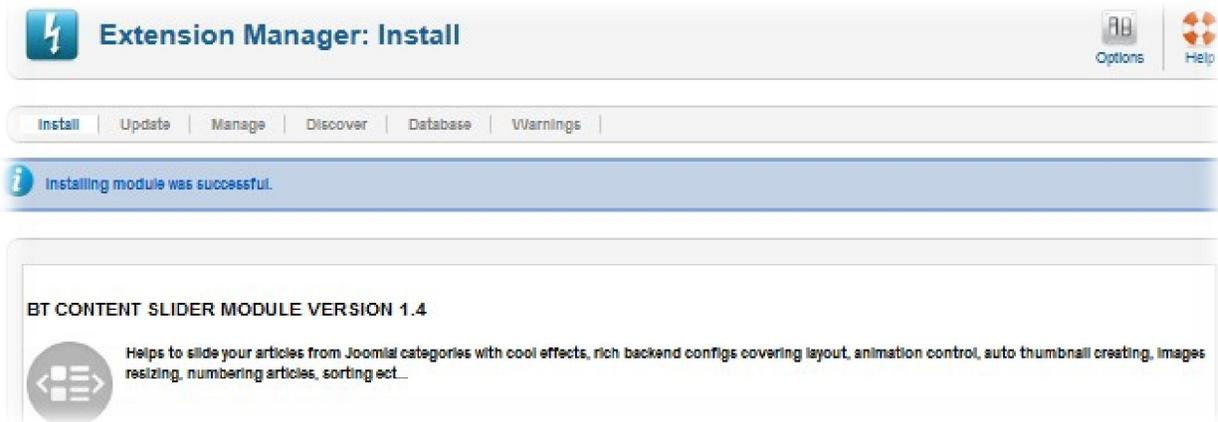
Manual Installation

Please follow these steps to install the product:

- Step 1: Go to Extension Manager
- Step 2: Browse the install package
- Step 3: Click "Upload & Install"



Illustrated image of successful installation:



Module Upgrading

Upgrading of this extension to newest version can be easily done by following again installation steps above. But we recommend you to back up your changes of source code and language files in this module before starting any upgrades.

Uninstalling

For uninstalling the product, please follow these steps:

Step 1: Go to “Extension Manager”

Step 2: Click to “Manage” tab

Step 3: Choose “Module” style

Step 4: Mark checkbox of the module

Step 5: Click “Uninstall” button

The screenshot shows the Joomla! Extension Manager interface. The top navigation bar includes buttons for 'Enable', 'Disable', 'Refresh Cache', 'Uninstall', and 'Options'. The 'Manage' tab is selected. The interface features a filter bar with a 'Filter: BT' input, a 'Clear' button, and a 'Hide protected extensions' checkbox. Below the filter bar is a table of installed extensions. The table has columns for Name, Location, Status, Type, Version, Date, Component Type, and Folder. The 'BT Content Slider' module is highlighted with an orange callout box indicating '4th Mark checkbox of the module'. The 'Component Type' dropdown menu is open, showing 'Module' selected, with an orange callout box indicating '3rd Choose Component Type'. The 'Uninstall' button is highlighted with an orange callout box indicating '5th Click Uninstall button'. The 'Manage' tab is highlighted with an orange callout box indicating '2nd Click to Manage Tab'. The 'Go to Extension Manager' button is highlighted with an orange callout box indicating '1st'.

| Name | Location | Status | Type | Version | Date | Component Type | Folder |
|-------------------------|----------|--------|--------|---------|---------------|-------------------|--------|
| BT Accordion Menu | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.0 | November 2011 | Bowthemes | N/A |
| BT Background SlideShow | Site | ✓ | Module | 2.1.3 | Apr 2012 | BowThemes | N/A |
| BT Content Slider | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.1 | June 2012 | www.bowthemes.com | N/A |
| BT Content Slider | Site | ✓ | Module | 2.0.0 | Sep 2011 | www.bowthemes.com | N/A |
| BT Facebook LikeBox | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.2 | Oct 2011 | Bowthemes | N/A |
| BT Floater | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.0 | Apr 2012 | Bowthemes | N/A |
| BT Image Gallery | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.5 | December 2011 | Bowthemes | N/A |
| BT Login | Site | ✓ | Module | 2.4.3 | April 2012 | BowThemes | N/A |
| BT Logo | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.4.3 | April 2012 | BowThemes | N/A |
| BT Logo | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.7 | December 2011 | BowThemes | N/A |
| BT Logo | Site | ✓ | Module | 1.7 | April 2012 | BowThemes | N/A |
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Setting

Back-end access: Choose Extension Manager from the main menu. Click “Module Manager” and start searching the product by using keyword: “BT Content Slider” or using Joomla filter to quickly find.

The parameters are divided into the following areas:

- Global Setting
- Source Setting
- Item Layout Setting
- Effect Setting
- Advanced Options

Global Setting

The screenshot displays the Joomla! configuration interface for the BT Content Slider module, organized into three main sections: Global Setting, Navigation Setting, and Grid Setting.

- GLOBAL SETTING**
 - Module class suffix:
 - Content title:
- NAVIGATION SETTING**
 - Butlet: YES
 - Next Back: YES
 - Move top:
 - Move right:
- GRID SETTING**
 - Module Width:
 - Auto adjust height: YES
 - Number of Rows:
 - Number of Cols:

Let's refer the detail setting in this section:

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| Module Class Suffix | Use this parameter to concatenate suffix for class 'bt-cs', it helps changing module skin easily with new class. Example: 'bt-cs-abc' with '-abc' is suffix |
| Content Title | Change title of the slide here |
| Bullets | Show/Hide bullets that present in each page of slider. You can click bullet to navigate slide's page. It look like this:  |
| Next & Back | Show/Hide Next and Back Buttons |
| Move top | Enter an integer to specify how many pixel the navigation bar (include: bullets, next and back buttons) moves to the top of the showcase. |
| Move right | Enter an integer to specify how many pixel the navigation bar (include: bullets, next and back buttons) moves to the right side of the showcase. |
| Module Width | Setup module's width here. You can type a number or let it default by choosing "Auto" |
| Auto Ajust Height | In slide, each item can have different height from each other. If "Yes" is selected, slide's height will be changed automatically to suit item's width of current page. |
| Number of Rows | Set number of rows to displayed |
| Number of Columns | Set number of columns to displayed |

Source Setting

▼ SOURCE SETTING

Source From: Joomla Categories

Joomla Categories: - Joomla! x

Number of Articles: 12

Filter By author: Anyone

Featured Articles: Only show Featured Articles

Articles Sorted By: Date - Ascending

ItemID: - Getting Started

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| Source Form | <p>Article database can be selected from 02criteria: Category and Article Id, corresponding to 03 components: Content, K2 and BT Portfolio, which from now on are sources of articles.</p> <p><i>*With criteria as Category, there is a multi-select box to choose from which category you want to extract database.</i></p> <p><i>*With criteria as Article Id, you have to type at least 01 existing Article Id. Each Id must be separated by a comma “,”.</i></p> |
| Number of Articles | Total number of articles extract from database. |
| Filter by author | <p>There are 03 choices to filter article by author</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None: Don't filter • Added or modified by me: only get current user's articles • No added or modified by me: filter but don't get current user's articles |

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| Featured Articles | If “Show” is selected, featured articles display first. |
| Articles Sorted By | Arrange the order of how articles appear |
| ItemID | Select active menu item (ItemID) to be marked on article page |

Item Layout Setting

ITEM LAYOUT SETTING

TITLE OPTION

Show Title YES

Limit Title By Word

Title Max Chars

INTRO TEXT OPTION

Show Intro Text YES

Limit Description By Character

Description Max Chars

Show Category Name YES

Show Category Name As Link YES

Show Read More YES

Show Date NO

Show Author NO

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| Title Option | Show title | Show/Hide article’s title |
| | Limit Title By | Choose whether the title’s length is limited by words or letters |
| | Title Max Chars | Number of maximum characters in title |

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| Intro text Option | Show Intro text | Show/Hide article's introduction text |
| | Limit Description By | Choose whether the introduction text's length is limited by words or letters |
| | Description Max Chars | Number of maximum characters in introduction text |
| | Show Category Name | Show/Hide article's category. |
| | Show Category Name As Link | Link this category to a webpage. |
| | Show Read More | Show/Hide "Read More" button |
| | Show Date | Show/Hide creation date of article |
| | Show Author | Show/Hide author's name |

Image Options

IMAGE OPTIONS

Show Image YES

Check existing image YES

Alignment of image Center ▼

Auto Generate Thumbnail YES

Thumbnail width

Thumbnail height

Default thumbnail YES

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|---------------------------------|--|
| Show Image | Show/Hide thumbnails image of article |
| Check existing Image | Check whether the image exist or not |
| Alignment of Image | Choose to display image in: Left, Right and Center |
| Auto Generate Thumbnail | Allow thumbnail of image to be automatically generated by size below |
| Thumbnail width / height | Setup width and height of image (pixel unit) |
| Default thumbnail | If "Yes" is selected, non-existing image is automatically replaced by Default image. |

Effect Setting

▼ EFFECT SETTING

Image Mouseover Effects YES

Next back effect

Bullet effect

Pause hover YES

Interval

Animation duration

Page Animation Transition

Auto Start YES

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|----------------------------------|--|
| Image Mouseover Effects | Change the color of an item when you hover over it |
| Next & Back effect | Set up effect of slide when you click next or back button. There are 02 effects: Slide and Fade |
| Bullet Effect | Similar with Next Back Effect when you click bullets. |
| Pause Hover | Stop slide when hover on the slide. |
| Interval | The length of time taken between each animation, in seconds |
| Animation duration | Specify an animation speed in milliseconds |
| Page Animation Transition | Choose one style for sliding effect from many styles. |
| Auto Start | Effects of the module start automatically when the page loads |

Advanced Options

▼ ADVANCED OPTIONS

Strip Tags YES

Allow tags

Open Link In ▼

Load JQuery ▼

Caching ▼

Cache Time

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| Strip Tags | While taking introduction text of the article, there is HTML tag included, that may affect module display. For this reason, we highly recommend selecting “Yes” on Strip Tags parameter. |
| Allow tags | You can keep some tags related to font and link by using this multi select box. Allowed tags are listed here: link (a), bold (b), italic (i), font (font) and new line (br) |
| Open Link In | Decide whether browser open new window, new tab or stay in current window while clicking to a link on this module |
| Load JQuery | Enable/Disable JQuery library to prevent conflict. “Auto” option is recommend, the module will detect if JQuery is already loaded |
| Caching | Select whether you want to cache the content of this module. |
| Cache Time | Module cache automatically follow setup time |

Common Error Using Product

Javascript Error

This error is coming frequently. The main reason here is that the website loads many JQuery files at the same time, or different javascript files are removed by plug-ins which manage javascript file. When this error is occurred, the module won't work well. Example:

- Layout breaks
- Show full article in the showcase
- "Loading" icon run continuously

It's easy to check if you are used to Firebug add-on of Firefox or Inspect Element Window of Chrome. They will show you exactly the error.

* Solution

Often turn off plug-in or load query feature of modules so as to just one jquery file is loaded.

HTTP Interval System Error - 500

One more common error, it is HTTP 500 error. This error often appears when browser redirects to article's detail page from the slide's links. Reason of this error is that categories which you choose to get articles didn't assign an Item's Id.

* Solution

You need to add Item's Id for category used in BT Content Slider:

Example

1. Add new menu "Content Slider"
2. Add new menu item in "Content Slider" menu just created with Menu Item Type is category block/category list -> Choose a category that is used in BT ContentSlider. The module will get item id of new menu item that you just created!

Please read this [topic](#) for more information

Contacting Bowthemes

All Bowthemes products include forum support, email support and ticket support. Please refer your membership package to select the compatible kind of support, as we may be able to solve the problem without delay.

Website: <http://bowthemes.com>

Forum support: <http://bowthemes.com/forums/14-bt-content-slider/>

Email support: support@bowthemes.com

Ticket support: <http://bowthemes.com/submit-a-ticket>

If you encounter any issues with Bowthemes extensions and templates, email us at support@bowthemes.com and we will be happy to answer your questions.



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