

# Image/Video Gallery

Displays galleries of images and videos with social buttons

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## INSTALLATION

Copy the "nc\_gallery" directory to the "modules" directory in your PrestaShop store, then upload it to your server using an FTP client like FileZilla. The module should then appear in the "Front Office Features" section on the "Modules" tab. Click the "Install" button to install the module. The module should then appear at the bottom of your homepage and there should be a new "Gallery" tab with "Blocks", "Galleries", "Images", and "Preferences" sub-tabs at the end of your tab bar in the Back Office.

# INSTRUCTIONS

This module displays galleries of images, videos and other files on your website. Social buttons can also be displayed to allow images to be shared on popular social media websites. Use this module to upload promotional or customer-submitted images, videos and files for all customers to see. The possibilities are endless.

By default, a sample block is displayed on the homepage with links to the three galleries with images and a video. If you would like to move the sample gallery block, go to the "Modules > Positions" tab, scroll down to the "displayHome" section and then drag the "Image/Video Gallery" module upward until satisfied with the position. Do the same with the "displayLeftColumn" and "displayRightColumn" hooks if galleries will be displayed there too.

# "GALLERY > BLOCKS" TAB

On the "Gallery > Blocks" tab, it is possible to edit the sample block and add more blocks on the homepage, left column and right column using the "Hook" dropdown. There is no limit on the number of blocks that can be displayed.

By default, blocks from all hooks are listed. There is a "Filter by hook" option that can be used to display only from the selected hook. When filtering by a hook, the order of blocks can be changed by dragging up and down from the "Position" column.

There are options to change the title displayed at the top of the block, the maximum number of items to display and whether to randomise the order of the items. There are also options to hide the title and link to all galleries or images.

By default, blocks contain links to galleries. It is also possible to display images directly in the block by changing the "Type" to "Images". When displaying galleries, the selected galleries will appear in the block. Otherwise, images from the selected galleries will be displayed.

The "Gallery association" section is used to select which galleries or images to display in the block. If the website is using multistore, there is a "Shop association" section to choose which shops to display the block.

The "Displayed" option can be changed to "No" to hide the block from the website until it has finished being configured. Click the "Save" button to save changes to the block.

#### "GALLERY > GALLERIES" TAB

On the "Gallery > Galleries" tab, it is possible to edit the sample galleries and add new galleries. There is no limit on the number of galleries that can be displayed. It is also possible to have sub-galleries within galleries with no limit to the depth.

To change the order of galleries, drag up or down in the "Position" column. When creating a gallery, enter a name and choose the parent gallery. There are fields to enter a description, meta title, meta description and meta keywords for the gallery. The description is displayed below the name and above the images on the gallery's page.

The "Friendly URL" is automatically generated based on the gallery name, but it can be edited. The gallery link will be "/<language>/gallery/<friendly\_url>". (WARNING: The friendly URL must be unique for the links to work, since there is no number in the URL to distinguish between identical friendly URLs.)

The "Allow customer submissions" option can be used to add a "Submit an image" block in the footer of the gallery that allows customers to submit an image and caption. To prevent abuse, images submitted by customers are disabled by default. After reviewing the image, either delete the image or enable it make it visible in the gallery. To make reviewing easier, there is also an option to enter an email address to receive a notification every time a customer submits an image. In the email notification, there is a link that can be used to approve or delete an image without needing to log in to the Back Office.

There is an option to upload a cover image to display as the gallery thumbnail. If no cover image is uploaded, the first image inside the gallery is displayed.

There is also an option to choose which customer groups can access the gallery. If the website is using multistore, there is a "Shop association" section to choose which shops to display the gallery. The "Displayed" option can be changed to "No" to hide the gallery from the website until it has finished being configured.

## "GALLERY > IMAGES" TAB

On the "Gallery > Images" tab, it is possible to edit the sample images and add new images. There is no limit on the number of images that can be added.

By default, images from all galleries are listed. There is a "Filter by gallery" option that can be used to display only images from the selected gallery. It is better to filter by gallery, since when adding an image, the gallery will be automatically selected in the "Gallery associations", which saves time and reduces errors. While filtering by gallery, it is possible to change the order of images by dragging up or down in the "Position" column.

When adding an image, enter a caption, description, meta title, meta description and meta keywords. The Friendly URL is automatically generated based on the gallery name, but it can be edited. The gallery link will be "/<language>/gallery/<gallery>/<friendly\_url>.html". (WARNING: The friendly URL must be unique for the links to work, since there is no number in the URL to distinguish between identical friendly URLs.)

It is also possible to link an image to a specific category, CMS page, CMS category, manufacturer, supplier, page, video or external link instead of displaying a larger version of the image. To do this, select a link type, then start entering the name of the item. An autocomplete popup with matching items should display. Click on an item to select it.

When selecting a video, enter the video service such as YouTube in the text field and then select the autocomplete item that appears. Edit the field and replace "VIDEO\_ID" with the ID of the video. This ID can be found in the browser's URL bar when viewing the video.

There is also a "Link target" option that can be used to display the item in the same tab, a new tab or a Fancybox popup. The "Gallery associations" section can be used to add the image to as many galleries as needed.

If the website is using multistore, there is a "Shop association" section to choose which shops to display the image. The "Displayed" option can be changed to "No" to hide the image from the website until it has finished being configured. Click the "Save" button to save changes to the image.

#### "GALLERY > IMPORT" TAB

The "Gallery > Import" tab can be used to quickly add multiple blocks, galleries, images and product tabs.

Upload images to the "modules/nc\_gallery/upload" directory and then write "../upload/your\_image.jpg" in the "Image URL" column of the CSV file. There are sample CSV files in the "modules/nc\_gallery/docs/csv\_import" directory.

There are also "Export" buttons on the "Blocks", "Galleries" and "Images" sub-tabs that can be used to generate CSV files to transfer data between PrestaShop installations. For more information about importing CSV files, click the "Help" button on in the toolbar at the top of the "Gallery > Import" tab.

# "GALLERY > PREFERENCES" TAB

The "Gallery > Preferences" tab has many settings. In the "General" section, the default gallery can be set. This is the gallery that is displayed when a customer goes to "/<language>/gallery" without specifying a gallery. By default, all galleries are displayed.

The "Friendly URL" option can be used to modify the default "/<language>/gallery" URL. You can set a different URL for each language or leave it blank to use each gallery's friendly URL. When leaving the "Friendly URL" option blank, be careful the friendly URL of each gallery does not conflict with any other of PrestaShop's friendly URLs.

Other settings include the number of images per page, whether to hide the breadcrumb bar on gallery and image pages, whether to show a link to all galleries or images on gallery tabs on the product page, and the description position. For thumbnails, the padding and border width can be changed, and the shadow and captions hidden. There's also an option to display social buttons including Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest and Google+ and an option to display a "Download" button.

By default, the module uses Fancybox to display images, videos and other content in a popup, though it can be disabled by changing "Use Fancybox" to "No". When disabled, clicking an image will open it on a separate page with links back to the gallery and to the next and previous images in the gallery. It can also be used to link thumbnails directly to other pages on the website.

When Fancybox is enabled, there are many customisation options in the "Fancybox" section. There are text fields to change the animation speed, slideshow speed, amount of spacing around the popup image and gutter spacing between images when swiping. There's an option to loop images, so swiping the last image returns to the first image.

The caption, pagination bar, "Slideshow" button, "Full-screen" button, "Thumbnails" button and "Close" button can be hidden. There are also options to automatically display in full-screen, display the thumbnails pane by default, choose whether clicking the overlay closes the popup, prevent right-clicking to download images, enable tap, zoom, pan and pinch touch gestures, enable using arrow keys for navigation, and enable hash code navigation to start with a specified image open.

In the "Images" section, it is possible to set the size of the thumbnails and full-sized images. There are also optional small, medium and large images that are used to reduce bandwidth use on phones and tablets. By default, images are cropped so they are all the same dimensions. Images can be cropped from the top, bottom, center, left or right. When cropping is disabled, images are resized to have the same height while maintaining the original aspect ratio. After changing any of these options, click the "Regenerate thumbnails" button to update the thumbnails. There is also a "Use original image" checkbox that can be ticked to allow customers to download the original image instead of a resized version.

In the "Custom CSS" section, it is possible to modify the CSS used by galleries and images. There is a "Revert" button that can be used to return to the default CSS at any time. With the default CSS, flexbox is used to fit the maximum number of images on each line for the thumbnail width. The spacing between thumbnails is automatically adjusted so it is equal and the last thumbnail on each line finishes at the right edge of the column. Thumbnails have a shadow by default and captions are automatically truncated to one line with "..." added if necessary.

There is also an option to display images from a gallery on a product page. To do this, go to the "Catalog > Products" tab, edit the product and then click the "Image/Video Gallery" tab. The default gallery tab title can be set on the "Gallery > Preferences" tab to save retyping it on multiple products, but it can be changed on a per-product level if needed. By default, the gallery tab will be set to not be displayed, so it is easy to ignore the feature if it is not needed. After choosing the right gallery, change the value to "Yes" and then click the "Save" button to display the gallery tab on the product. Since module tabs cannot "Save and stay", click on another tab and then click the "Save and stay" button if needed.

In PrestaShop v1.6.1, it is possible to insert a gallery block on a CMS page by writing the following text with the specified block ID:

{widget name="gallerync" id block="1"}

In PrestaShop v1.7, it is possible to insert a gallery block inside any theme TPL file or HTML field including the content of a CMS page and the description of a category, CMS category, manufacturer or supplier by writing the following text with the specified block ID:

{widget name="nc gallery" id block="1"}

In PrestaShop v1.7, it is also possible to display all blocks from the displayHome, displayLeftColumn or displayRightColumn hooks in a theme TPL file by write the following text with the specified hook:

{widget name="nc\_gallery" hook="displayHome"}