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Manual:Extension/BlueSpiceDiscovery/Main navigation

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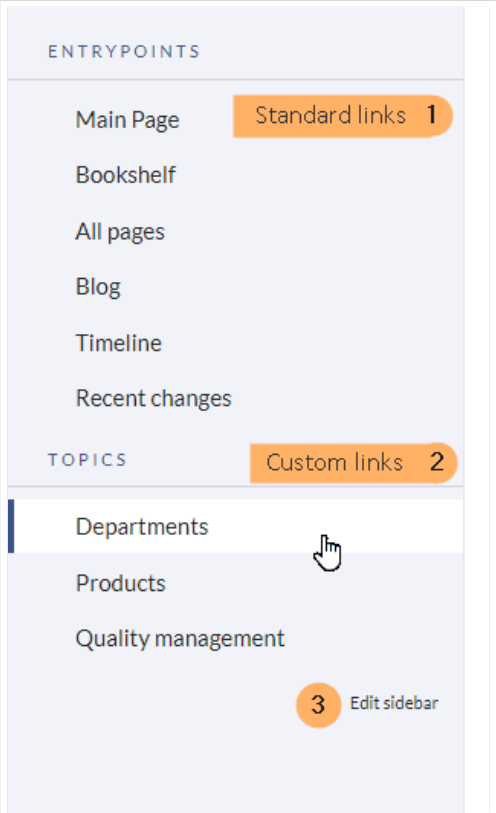
How does the main navigation work?

By default, some links are provided as entry points to the wiki. Wiki administrators can deactivate these links in the configuration manager if needed. In addition, custom links can be added here. Please note that no hierarchical links can be created. Therefore, it makes sense to mainly set up links to the most important topics and to portal pages that contain additional links or page lists.



Main navigation

Adding links

To add new links:

1. **Open** the page *MediaWiki:Sidebar* from the browser's address bar.
2. **Change** to edit mode.
3. **Create** one or more navigation links (with or without section heading). The following example shows a link to the page "Company" with the label "Our company" and an external link to the BlueSpice website with the label "Website". The links are grouped together under the section heading "Quicklinks":

```
*Quicklinks
**Company|Our company
**https//www.bluespice.com/de|Website
```

4. **Save** the page. The links are now shown in the main navigation.

> **Note:** As soon as you have created at least one additional link, a direct edit link to the *MediaWiki: Sidebar* page is displayed when you move the mouse over such a link (see screenshot above).

Link labels may collide with system messages. If this is the case, simply append the HTML-code for an empty space to the description:

```
**Portal|Portal 
```

Deacivating standard links

The standard links can be deactivated in the configuration manager. The following settings are available under *Feature* > *Skinning*:

BlueSpiceBookshelf:

- Show entrypoint "Bookshelf"

BlueSpiceDiscovery:

- Show entrypoint "Mainpage"
- Show entrypoint "All pages"
- Show entrypoint "Recent changes"

BlueSpiceSocial:

- Show entrypoint "Timeline"

BlueSpiceSocialBlog:

- Show entrypoint "Blog"

Group-specific navigation

It is possible to show navigation elements for specific user groups only. Please note that the pipe symbol (|) between the page name and its label has to be escaped as `{{!}}` within this function.

This syntax is defined in the extension UserFunctions.

```
{{#ifingroup:sysop,widgeteditor |
*Test2
**somepage{{!}}Some page
|}}
```

Additional customizations

- Display icons with navigation links
- Multi-language navigation

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Icons anpassen

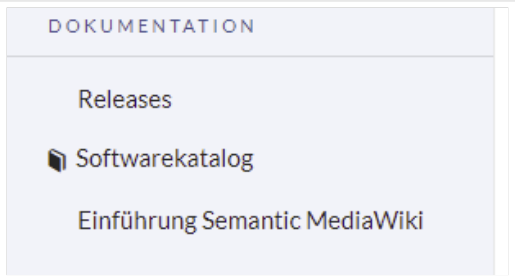
You can assign individual symbols to the navigation links in the main navigation by adapting the styling using CSS. Let's say you have a link named *Softwarekatalog*.

To add a book icon:

1. **Open** the page *MediaWiki:Common.css* in edit mode.
2. **Add** the following lines at the end of the page.
3. **Save** the page.

```
a#n-Softwarekatalog::before {
    content: '\e970';
    font-family: 'entypo';
    margin-left: -20px;
    padding-right: 4px;
    vertical-align:middle;
}
```

The link is now displayed with an icon.



Custom icon

Reload the page or empty the browser cache (F5 on the keyboard) if the changes are not immediately visible. If your link label includes special characters, you need to follow the instructions for navigation links with special characters.

Available icons

You can see all available icons on the page `w/extensions/BlueSpiceFoundation/resources/bs.icons.php` of your wiki.

A list with all icons and their character keys on this helpdesk is available here and is the same for any default installation of a BlueSpice wiki.

In the upper line you can click through different fonts, below you find the icons with the corresponding character keys. In *MediaWiki:Common.css* you have to adjust the entries *font-family* (entypo, fontawesome, icomoon, ...) and *content* (character key) accordingly.

Navigation links with special characters

If the text for the menu items contains special characters, they are converted in the HTML code of the page. In this case, right-click on the corresponding entry and, depending on the browser used, select "Inspect" or similar.

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For example, if you want to display the link description Introduction to Semantic MediaWiki with the book symbol, copy the value from the link ID and paste the following formatting instruction in *MediaWiki:Common.css*:

```
a#n-Softwarekatalog::before,a[id="n-Einf.C3.BChrung-Semantic-MediaWiki"]::before  {cont
ent: '\e970';
    font-family: 'entypo';margin-left: -20px;
    padding-right: 4px;vertical-align:middle;
}
```

After saving *Common.css* and reloading the page you now see the selected icon.

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Navigation based on the user language setting

> **Note:** These instructions do not apply in a farm environment or in separate language wikis. These instructions are used for maintaining languages in as single wiki.

Link labels

If you want the link labels in the main navigation or the custom menu to match the language a user has set under their *Preferences*, you need to provide a separate system message page for each menu item. These message pages need to be created in the namespace *MediaWiki*.

In the following example, we create a menu item called *Quality assurance.* A user who specified German (de) or formal German (de-formal) in their preferences, should see the label *Qualitätssicherung* instead.

To create the labels in EN, DE and DE-formal:

1. **Create** the page *MediaWiki:QA* and add the text for the English label (*Quality assurance*).Save the page.
2. **Create** the page *MediaWiki:QA/de* and add the text for the German label (*Qualitätssicherung*). Save the page.
3. **Create** a link on the page *MediaWiki:Sidebar*: `**About_quality_assurance|QA` This creates a link in the main navigation to the page *About quality assurance* and displays the label that is defined in the different language message pages for the message "QA". To test the languages, go to *Preferences* > *User Profile* in your user profile menu. In the section *Internationalisation*, set the language from English to German or vice versa and save the setting. The language of the menu item now displays in the correct language.

Link targets

If you have content in multiple languages, you want that users with English language preference settings not only see the corresponding menu labels. They should also be directed to an English page when they click on a menu item. Users with German language settings should see the German content after clicking on the German menu link. In this case, you also have to create separate link targets in addition to the language labels.

In the previous section, we already created the labels when a user switches languages. Now we also have to create different link targets for these pages. If the main language is English and the page is called *About quality assurance,* the translations can be located in subpages. For example, the German version is located under *About quality assurance/de*.

To create the link targets to the language pages:

1. **Create** the page *MediaWiki:QA-url* and add the link to the English page *About quality assurance*. The link is entered without brackets, in plain text. Save the page.
2. **Create** the page *MediaWiki:QA*-url/*de* and add the text for the German page (*About quality assurance* /de). The link is entered without brackets, in plain text. Save the page.

In the navigaion link to the *Quality assurance* page, change the link from

```
**About_quality_assurance|QA
```

to

```
**QA-url|QA
```

This achieves the language switch for the target pages (QA-url) and for the label (QA) of the menu item.

Depending on the language settings of the user, the user is now directly directed to the correct language version.

Related info

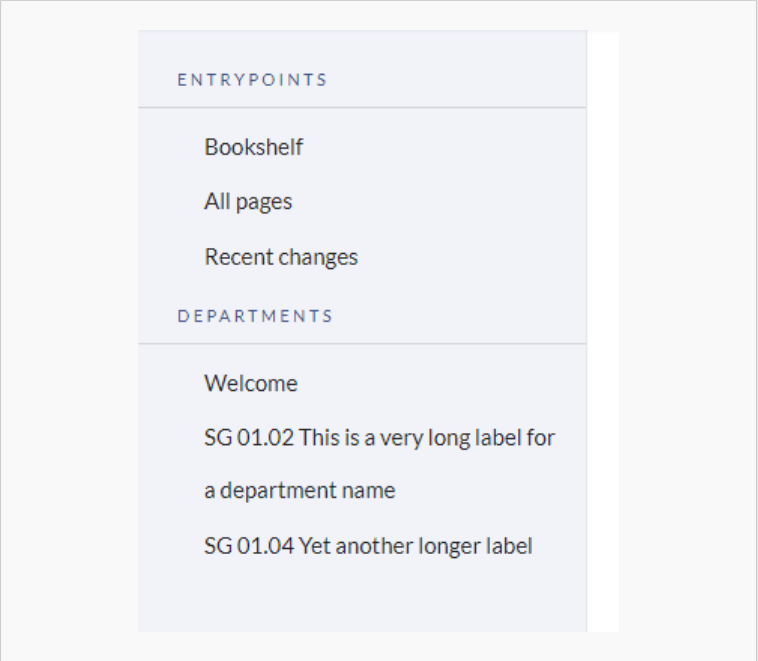
- Interwikilinks

Long link labels in the main navigation

You can add the following CSS declarations to the page *MediaWiki:Common.css* to gain more space and adjust the alignment when navigation items cause line wraps.

```
/*Override line height for individual nav items in main navigation*/

#sb-pri .list-group .list-group-item {padding:1px 0}
#sb-pri .list-group .list-group-item > a {line-height:1.4em; margin-bottom: 0.1em;paddi
ng: 5px 18px}
#sb-pri-cnt .card-header.menu-title {margin-bottom: 0.8rem;}
```



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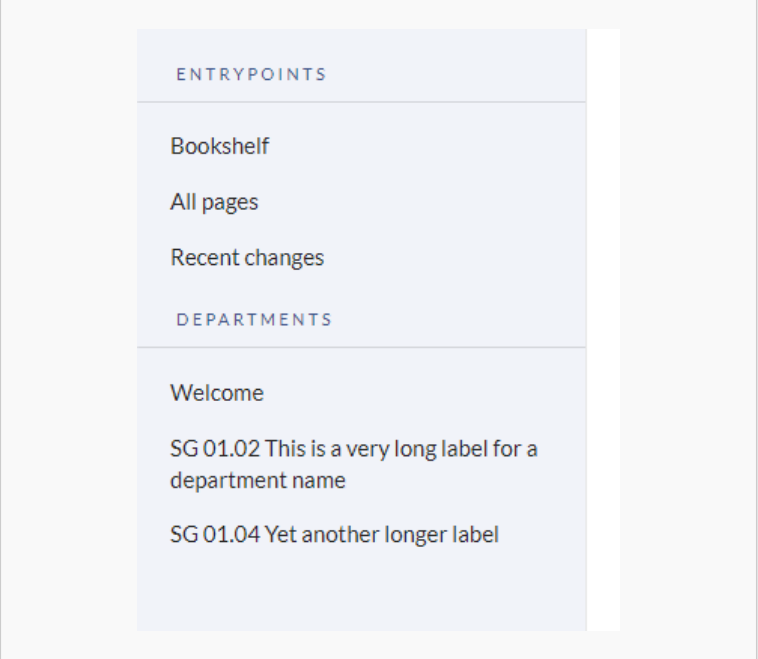

adjusted layout