

Bootstrap Grid in Wiki Syntax

The [Bootstrap CSS framework](#) was introduced into Tiki in release 13. It provides the foundation for a layout grid for content in wiki pages and other sections of the site that uses wiki syntax, such as blog posts, forum posts, and CMS articles. The benefits of this grid are an organized, attractive and [responsive](#) layout for page content. Columns to hold text, [modules](#), images and so on can be arranged uniformly for readability. And the page will look good and work well in all display sizes from large PC monitors down to smartphone screens. The grid components react at display-width "breakpoints" to rearrange themselves to stay in view. This page describes how to use the Bootstrap grid in wiki text.

Tiki has a legacy wiki plugin, [Split](#), that creates an HTML table to provide columns and cells, but using tables for this purpose has been a deprecated practice for years. Unless there is a compelling reason to use a table, divs should be used instead.

Grid basics

Bootstrap, by default, uses a grid that is 12 units wide. Columns can be specified to be the width of from one to 12 of these units. (The columns' widths are a percentage of the width of their container.) For more information about the Bootstrap grid itself, see <https://getbootstrap.com/css/#grid>. Examples are shown here: <https://getbootstrap.com/examples/grid/>. Not only width, but visibility/invisibility per display size can also be specified.

Gridding in Tiki

The Tiki site (version 13 or later) overall uses this kind of grid to position left and/or right columns and the main column. Then, within the site, in the module zones as well as any area where a text editor is used, contents can be placed in grid rows and columns.

The grid is made with HTML `div` elements. These can be made by entering HTML syntax if HTML is enabled for the page or if the [HTML plugin](#) is used. Or they can be made with wiki syntax, using the [DIV](#) wiki plugin.

By one method or another, a `div class="row"` should be created, and inside that the column divs are created. Following the examples at the Bootstrap site, make the divs appropriate for the content to go into them. For the purposes of wiki area grids, probably using `col-sm-...` classes will work well (this generally means the columns will stack vertically in smartphone displays but will be arranged side by side in tablet and PC displays). Of course the page should be viewed in various devices to check the responsive behavior.

For example,

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{DIV(class="row")}{DIV(class="col-sm-6")}This is a "col-sm-6" div.{DIV} {DIV(class="col-sm-3")}A "col-sm-3" div{DIV} {DIV(class="col-sm-3")}Another "col-sm-3" div{DIV}{DIV}
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produces (with the line returns removed from the code above):

This is a *col-sm-6* div.

A *col-sm-3* div

Another *col-sm-3* div

Adding some content:

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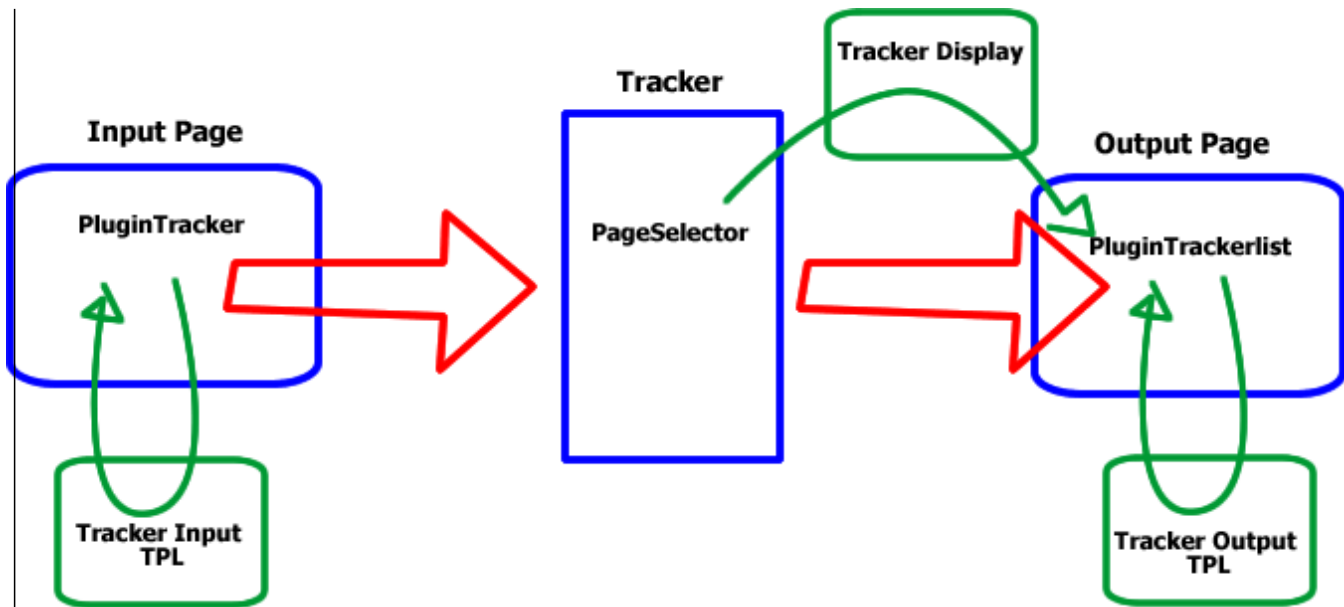
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