

Random page

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1 Help:Random page

The screenshot shows the default sidebar on the left side of a MediaWiki page. It includes:

- navigation**: A list of links including Main Page, Community portal, Current events, Recent changes, Random page, Help, and Donations.
- search**: A search bar with "Go" and "Search" buttons.
- toolbox**: A list of links including What links here, Related changes, Upload file, Special pages, Printable version, and Permanent link.

The default sidebar on the left, see the fifth link from top

The **random page** feature allows users to view a wiki page at random. The default, and most convenient use is to show a random page in the main namespace, and is accessed through the [Special:Random](#) page. Users will be redirected to the selection.

[Special:Randompage](#) is an alias for the feature and works in the same manner.

1.1 Namespace selection

Users can also opt to view a random page in a namespace of their choice. This is achieved by specifying a namespace as a parameter to the page, i.e. [Special:Random/Help](#) will select a random page in the Help namespace; [Special:Random/Category](#) will show the contents of a random category, etc.

1.2 Settings

- [Manual:\\$wgContentNamespaces](#) - this will set what namespaces should be counted as article content and included in [Special:Random](#) function
- [Manual:\\$wgExtraRandompageSQL](#) - this settings allows for filtering of content from the [Special:Random](#) function

