

Narwhal Guide

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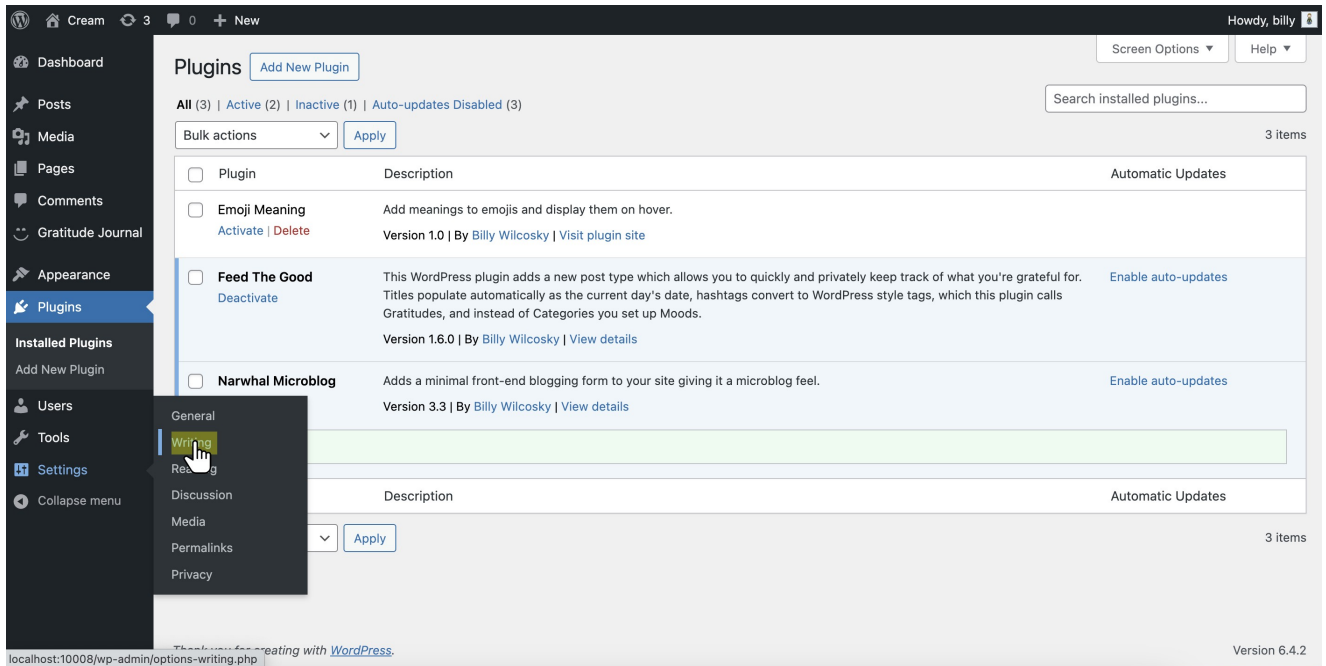
1 Add plugin

The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard's 'Plugins' section. The left sidebar contains navigation links: Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, Gratitude Journal, Appearance, Plugins (active), Installed Plugins, Add New Plugin, Users, Tools, Settings, and Collapse menu. The main content area is titled 'Plugins' and includes a search bar, a filter dropdown (set to 'All'), and a 'Bulk actions' dropdown with an 'Apply' button. A table lists installed plugins with columns for 'Plugin', 'Description', and 'Automatic Updates'. The 'Narwhal Microblog' plugin is highlighted with a red box and shows a green 'Updated!' status bar. Other visible plugins include 'Emoji Meaning' and 'Feed The Good'. The footer of the dashboard area says 'Thank you for creating with WordPress.' and 'Version 6.4.2'.

Plugin	Description	Automatic Updates
☐ Emoji Meaning Activate Delete	Add meanings to emojis and display them on hover. Version 1.0 By Billy Wilcosky Visit plugin site	
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☐ Narwhal Microblog Deactivate	Adds a minimal front-end blogging form to your site giving it a microblog feel. Version 3.3 By Billy Wilcosky View details	Enable auto-updates
✓ Updated!		
☐ Plugin	Description	Automatic Updates

Search for, install and activate Narwhal.

2 Adjust settings



The screenshot shows the WordPress admin dashboard. The left sidebar menu is open, and the 'Writing' option under the 'Settings' category is highlighted. The main content area shows the 'Plugins' page with a list of installed plugins. The 'Feed The Good' plugin is currently active. The 'Writing' option in the sidebar is highlighted with a mouse cursor.

Plugins

Add New Plugin

All (3) | Active (2) | Inactive (1) | Auto-updates Disabled (3)

Bulk actions

Search installed plugins...

3 items

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localhost:10008/wp-admin/options-writing.php

Version 6.4.2

Go to Settings --> Writing

3 Writing settings

When you publish a new post, WordPress automatically notifies the following site update services. For more about this, see the [Update Services](#) document with line breaks.

`http://rpc.pingomatic.com/`

Narwhal Post Type

Choose the post type and category name to be used for the Narwhal front-end form. Make sure they match. The category name must exist for the post type.

Choose Post Type

Posts ▼

Choose Category Name

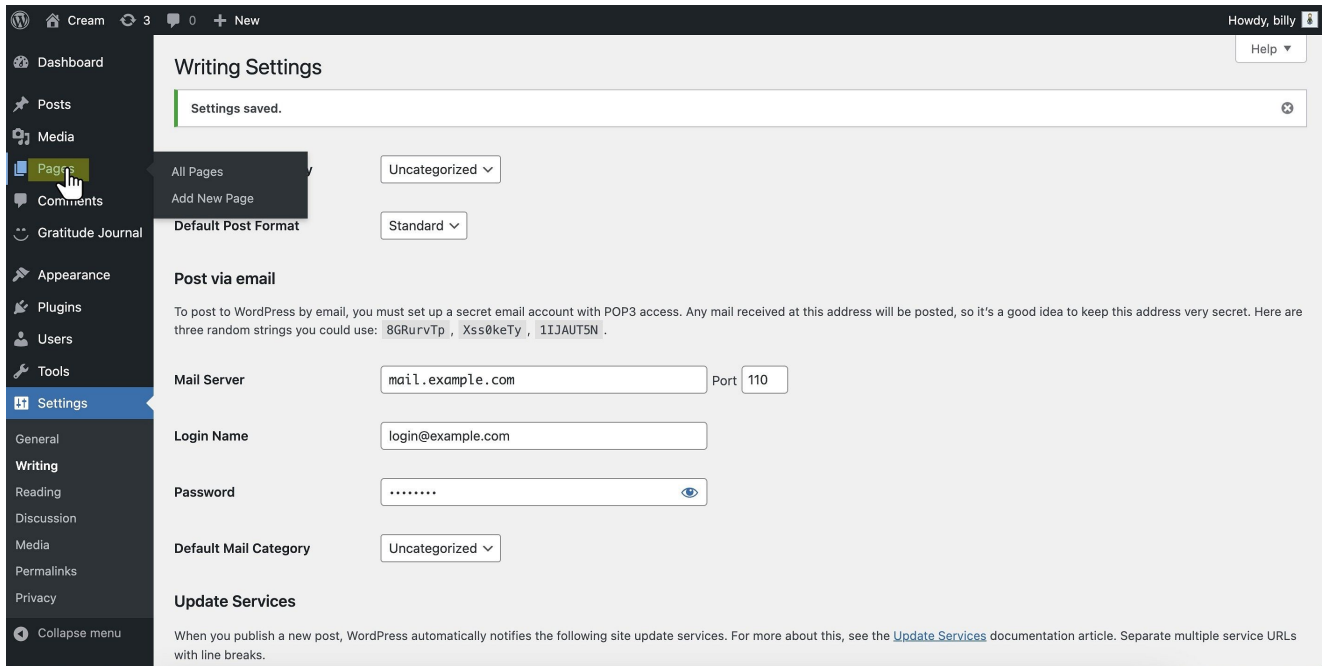
Categories ▼

Save Changes

Thank you for creating with [WordPress](#).

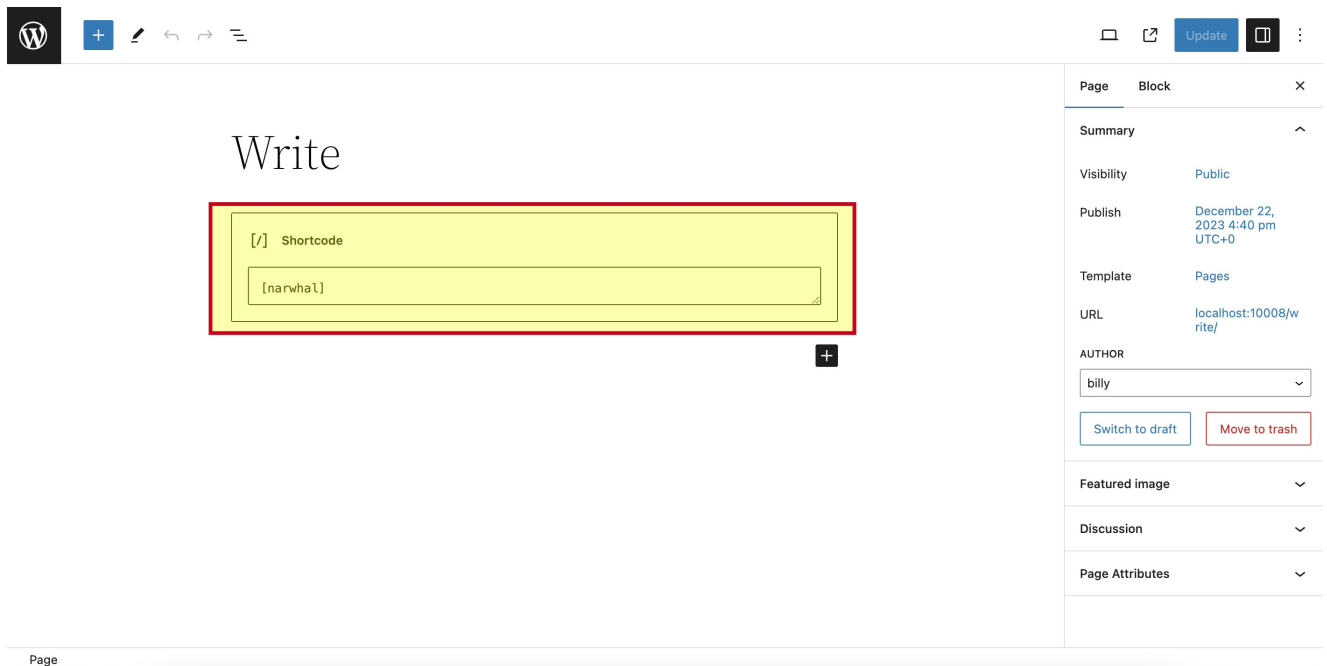
At the bottom of your writing settings choose the post type and whatever that post type's categories are called. To use the default post type choose "Posts" and "Categories" like you see here. Save any changes.

4 Add a new page



Go to pages and add a page. Call it anything you want. In the next steps the example will call the page "Write."

5 Add shortcode



The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Write' interface. The main content area has the title 'Write' and a yellow-highlighted shortcode block containing the text '[narwhal]'. The block is outlined with a red border. To the right is the sidebar with various settings. The top of the sidebar has tabs for 'Page' and 'Block', with 'Page' selected. Below the tabs are sections for 'Summary', 'Visibility' (set to 'Public'), 'Publish' (set to 'December 22, 2023 4:40 pm UTC+0'), 'Template' (set to 'Pages'), and 'URL' (set to 'localhost:10008/write/'). There is also an 'AUTHOR' dropdown set to 'billy', and buttons for 'Switch to draft' and 'Move to trash'. Further down are sections for 'Featured image', 'Discussion', and 'Page Attributes'.

Page	Block	X
Summary		
Visibility	Public	
Publish	December 22, 2023 4:40 pm UTC+0	
Template	Pages	
URL	localhost:10008/write/	
AUTHOR		
billy		
Switch to draft Move to trash		
Featured image		
Discussion		
Page Attributes		

On the new page (or any page) add the shortcode "[narwhal]". Save the page.

6 The form

1 (This is the title)
2 This is the content of the post.
3 #test
4 Test Submit 5

Go to the page on the frontend. The form is minimal. It looks like this. It will change looks depending on your theme. Add custom CSS in your Appearance settings to change the look.

Follow the suggestion given in the box.

1. Title in parentheses
2. Type content on next line
3. Tag by hashtagging words
4. Choose category
5. Submit to post

7 End result



1 This is the title

2 This is the content of the post.

#test

4 January 20, 2024 billy Test test 3

Leave a Reply

Here's the end result:

1. Title (from parentheses)
2. Content
3. Tag from hashtagged word
4. Category