

# Pelican

## A Static Site Generator, Powered by Python

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# Overview

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# Why Pelican?

- + Python!
- + Open Source
- + Supports reStructured, Markdown and AsciiDoc
- + Multilingual
- + One of the fastest, a thousand articles in seconds
- + Features: Production of drafts before publishing
- + Easy control of the design and implementation of the site
- + Can easily be hosted (for free) on GitHub/GitLab pages
- + Changing of themes is super easy



# Installation

```
pip install pelican  
pip install markdown
```

# Activate pelicanenv

```
cd ~/Projects/pelican  
virtualenv pelicanenv
```

```
source ~/Projects/pelican/pelicanenv/bin/activate
```

# Create a Project

```
mkdir ~/Projects/abc
```

```
cd ~/Projects/abc
```

```
pelican-quickstart
```

```
fish /home/aish/Projects/abc
Welcome to fish, the friendly interactive shell
→ ~ Projects/
→ Projects mkdir abc
→ Projects abc/
→ abc source ../pelican/pelicanenv/bin/activate.fish
(pelicanenv) → abc ls
(pelicanenv) → abc pelican-quickstart
Welcome to pelican-quickstart v4.0.0.

This script will help you create a new Pelican-based website.

Please answer the following questions so this script can generate the files
needed by Pelican.

> Where do you want to create your new web site? [.]
> What will be the title of this web site?
You must enter something
> What will be the title of this web site? Sample
> Who will be the author of this web site? Sample
> What will be the default language of this web site? [en]
> Do you want to specify a URL prefix? e.g., https://example.com (Y/n) n
> Do you want to enable article pagination? (Y/n)
> How many articles per page do you want? [10]
> What is your time zone? [Europe/Paris] Asia/Kolkata
> Do you want to generate a tasks.py/Makefile to automate generation and publishing? (Y/n)
> Do you want to upload your website using FTP? (y/N)
> Do you want to upload your website using SSH? (y/N)
> Do you want to upload your website using Dropbox? (y/N)
> Do you want to upload your website using S3? (y/N)
> Do you want to upload your website using Rackspace Cloud Files? (y/N)
> Do you want to upload your website using GitHub Pages? (y/N)
Done. Your new project is available at /home/aish/Projects/abc
(pelicanenv) → abc ls
content/ Makefile output/ pelicanconf.py publishconf.py tasks.py
(pelicanenv) → abc █
```



# Create a Project

```
mkdir ~/Projects/abc
```

```
cd ~/Projects/abc
```

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pelican-quickstart
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# Create an Article

Title: The First.

Category: Random

Date: 2018-12-04 23:52

Author: A

Hello there! This is my first article.

# Generate your Site

pelican content

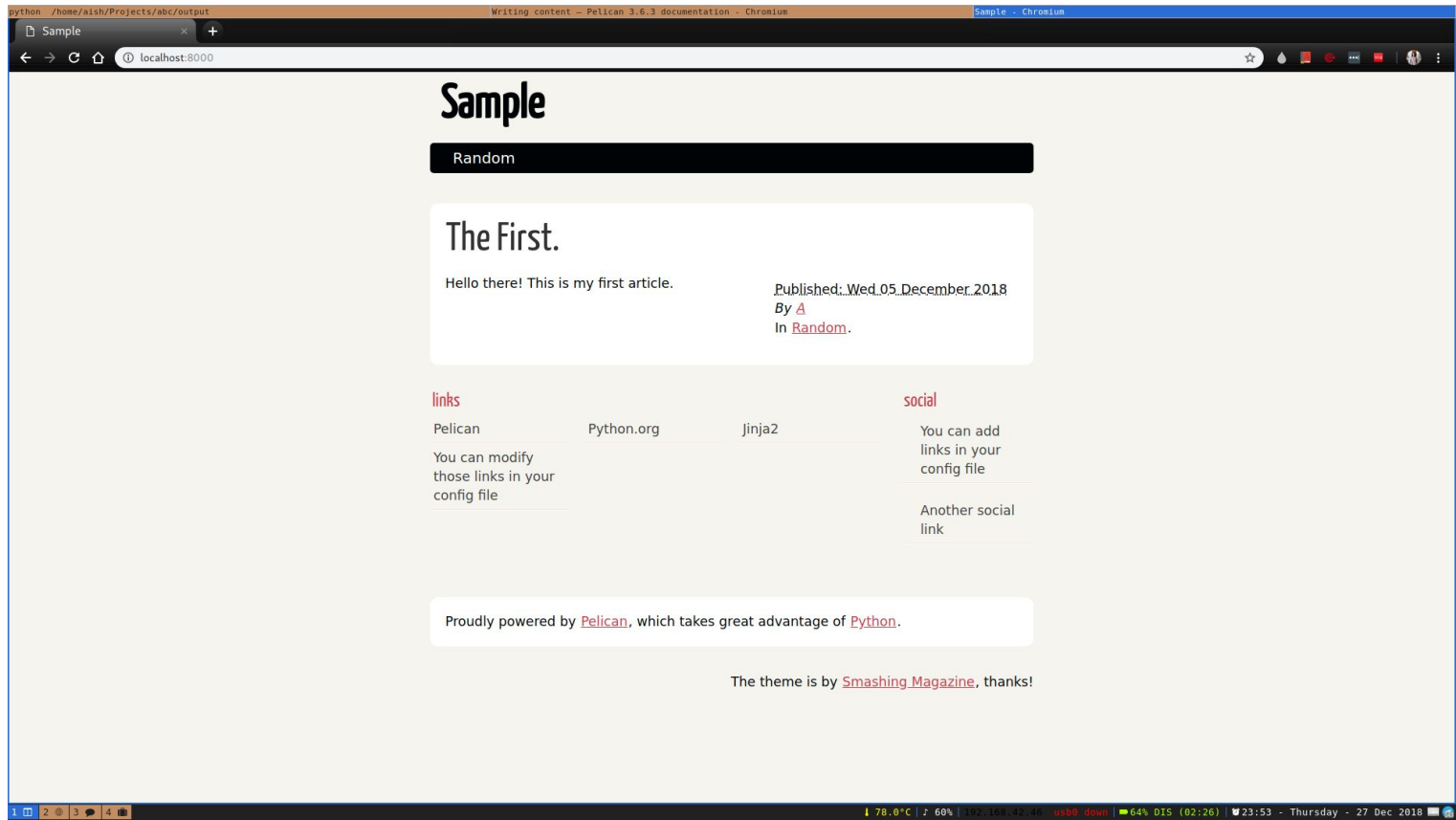
```
(pelicanenv) → content ../ 23:50:44
(pelicanenv) → abc pelican -s pelicanconf.py content/ 23:50:51
ERROR: Skipping /home/aish/Projects/abc/content/index.md: could not find information about 'date'
Done: Processed 0 articles, 0 drafts, 0 pages, 0 hidden pages and 0 draft pages in 0.20 seconds.
(pelicanenv) → abc vim index.md 23:51:03
(pelicanenv) → abc content/ 23:51:37
(pelicanenv) → content vim index.md 23:51:41
(pelicanenv) → content ../ 23:52:29
(pelicanenv) → abc pelican -s pelicanconf.py content/ 23:52:31
Done: Processed 1 article, 0 drafts, 0 pages, 0 hidden pages and 0 draft pages in 0.25 seconds.
(pelicanenv) → abc output/ 23:52:39
(pelicanenv) → output python -m http.server 23:52:56
```

1 2 3 4



# Preview your Site

```
cd ~/projects/yoursite/output  
python -m pelican.server
```



# Publish your Site

```
pelican -s pelicanconf.py content/
```

```
pelican -s pelicanconf.py -t ../pelican/pelican-themes/(theme) content/
```

# Pelican Structure

```
(pelicanenv) → abc content/  
(pelicanenv) → content mkdir category 23:45:33  
(pelicanenv) → content mkdir images/ 23:48:55  
(pelicanenv) → content mkdir pages 23:49:00  
(pelicanenv) → content vim index.md 23:49:16
```



```
Pelican - Google Slides - Chromium
+ abc tree
├── content
│   ├── category
│   ├── images
│   ├── index.md
│   └── pages
├── Makefile
├── output
│   ├── archives.html
│   ├── author
│   │   └── a.html
│   ├── authors.html
│   ├── categories.html
│   ├── category
│   │   └── random.html
│   ├── index.html
│   ├── tags.html
│   ├── the-first.html
│   └── theme
│       ├── css
│       │   ├── fonts.css
│       │   ├── main.css
│       │   ├── pygment.css
│       │   ├── reset.css
│       │   ├── typogrify.css
│       │   └── wide.css
│       ├── fonts
│       │   ├── font.css
│       │   ├── Yanone_Kaaffeesatz_400.eot
│       │   ├── Yanone_Kaaffeesatz_400.svg
│       │   ├── Yanone_Kaaffeesatz_400.ttf
│       │   ├── Yanone_Kaaffeesatz_400.woff
│       │   └── Yanone_Kaaffeesatz_400.woff2
│       └── images
│           └── icons
│               ├── aboutme.png
│               ├── bitbucket.png
│               ├── delicious.png
│               ├── facebook.png
│               ├── github.png
│               ├── gitorious.png
│               ├── gittip.png
│               ├── google-groups.png
│               ├── google-plus.png
│               ├── hackernews.png
│               ├── lastfm.png
│               ├── linkedin.png
│               ├── reddit.png
│               ├── rss.png
│               ├── slideshare.png
│               ├── speakerdeck.png
│               ├── stackoverflow.png
│               └── twitter.png
└── 1 2 3 4
```

```
Pelican - Google Slides - Chromium
├── author
│   └── a.html
├── authors.html
├── categories.html
├── category
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│           ├── google-groups.png
│           ├── google-plus.png
│           ├── hackernews.png
│           ├── lastfm.png
│           ├── linkedin.png
│           ├── reddit.png
│           ├── rss.png
│           ├── slideshare.png
│           ├── speakerdeck.png
│           ├── stackoverflow.png
│           ├── twitter.png
│           └── youtube.png
├── pelicanconf.py
├── publishconf.py
├── pycache
│   └── pelicanconf.cpython-37.pyc
└── tasks.py

13 directories, 46 files
+ abc 1 2 3 4
```



# Add a Theme!

- pelicanconf.py: THEME = “something”
- “something” can be chosen from [Pelican Themes](#) github repository



# Markdown

- What is it?
- Extension: .md or .markdown
- [Basic Syntax](#)
- [Multimarkdown Syntax](#)



Thank you!

