Terratype

Umbraco Multi map provider

# Installation

### Installing via Nuget

This Umbraco package can be installed via Nuget

The first part is the Terratype framework, which coordinates the different map providers, which can be found here

<https://www.nuget.org/packages/Terratype/>



The second part is a provider that delivers map services for Terratype. So, for example, if you want to use Google Maps V3, then install Terratype.GoogleMapsV3 nuget package, from <https://www.nuget.org/packages/Terratype.GoogleMapsV3>



Without a provider, Terratype can’t do anything.

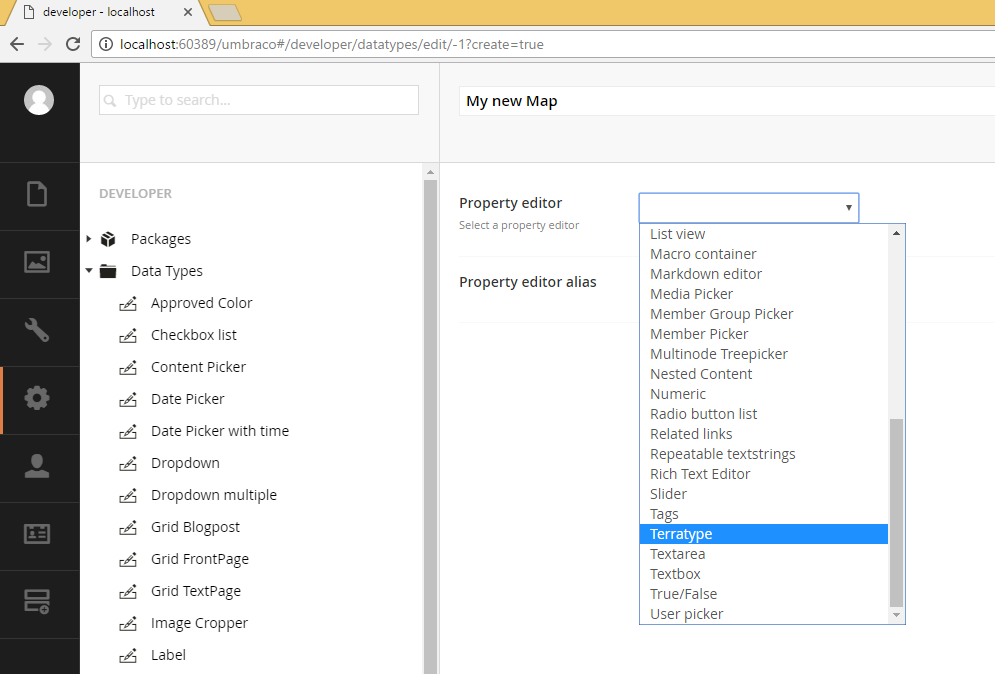
### Installing via Umbraco Package

<https://our.umbraco.org/projects/backoffice-extensions/terratype/>

This installation contains all available map providers in one simple package.

# Data Type

Once installed, create a new data type based off Terratype property editor.



Select the Map Provider you wish to use. You can only select from Providers that you have installed (via Nuget you have to install them individually, but the Umbraco Package contains them all). Each provider has different configuration settings, but they have a few items in common:-

Coordinate System

Different map providers and/or tile servers use different systems for coordinates. While the main one is known as WGS-84, and was adopted around most of the world, there have always been other systems, with some being more prevalent in different countries.

* [WGS-84](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Geodetic_System#Longitudes_on_WGS_84)  
  Standard World Geodetic System as used by GPS system, and adopted worldwide except for China (see GCJ-02). Normal display format is Latitude,Longitude where Latitude goes from -90.0 to +90.0 and Longitude from -180.0 to +180
* [GCJ-02](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Restrictions_on_geographic_data_in_China#GCJ-02)  
  Under Chinese state law regarding restrictions on geographic data, you must use GCJ-02 encoded coordinates in China or for displaying Chinese coordinates correctly. Normally there is a difference of 100 to 700 metres between WGS-84 and GCJ-02

Icon

A map has to have an icon to indicate where the map is pointing to. This marker can be configured either from a predefined list of 25 icons, or allows the entry of any icon. Many of the predefined ones are sources from a Google CDN, but a few of the Umbraco logo ones are actually sourced as a relative path to your Umbraco instance. As you configure your icon, you may notice that this dynamically changes the marker as it is being displayed on the map above.

* Image Url  
  An absolute or relative path to the image you wish to use. You are restricted to using jpg, gif or png image files. Make sure that if you are running your Umbraco website on https protocol, then not to use images from an http source as they might have difficulty being accessed due to browser security settings.   
  As you type the Image Url, Terratype will try and access the image file and will set the Width and Height property accordingly, or show an appropriate error if it can’t either access the image file or it is in the wrong format.
* Width and Height in Pixels  
  If the image is larger or smaller than the size requested, then the image will be scaled to fit the Width and Height entered.
* Horizontal and Vertical Anchor  
  Within each image a particular pixel should indicate the exact location this icon is marking on the map. This pixel can be a specified by counting the number of pixels from the top left hand corner, with a zero horizontal anchor indicating the left hand edge of the image, and the right hand edge being the width of the image in pixels minus 1. Vertical anchor go from zero referring to the top of the image, and height – 1 equalling the bottom of the image. The middle of the image can be specified as the anchor point by entering the width / 2 in Horizontal anchor and height / 2 in vertical anchor.  
  Easier to use, is the use of predefined anchor points; top, center, bottom and left, center and right. These are calculated from the Width and Height entered previously.

Label

A label is a popup info box that can appear above the map icon, when clicked by the user. This feature is switched off by default, and requires to be Enabled for it to function. The contents of the Label, the actual text displayed to a user of the map when they click the icon, is configurable by the content editor when the map is edited in a content node. You can selected how the content editor can edit the label, though note this doesn’t change how an end user sees the map, if the map is rendered in a Razor view.

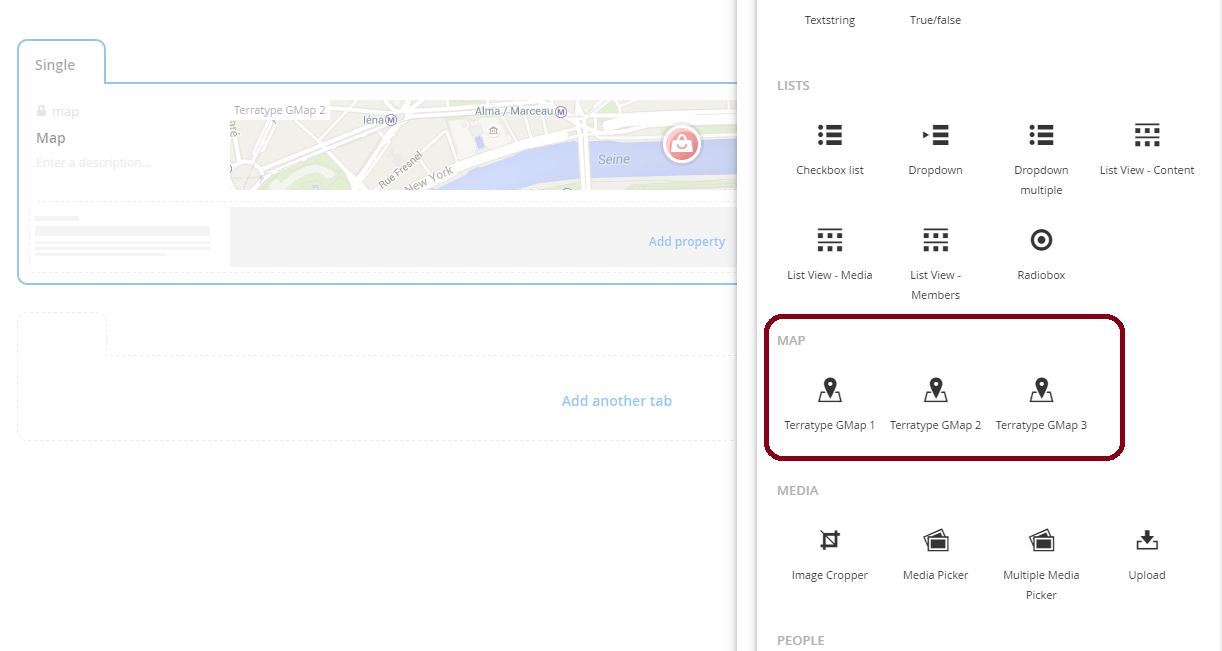
* As an overlay when you click the map icon  
  Whenever the content editor can drag and drop the map icon to specify the map’s location, they can also click the icon to show an Umbraco overlay which then allows the editor to edit the label’s content. The disadvantage of this mode, is that it might not be obvious to an editor that this functionality exists, if they haven’t been informed.  
  Currently only one style for the label is selectable called ‘Standard’ which allows the entry of content using a Rich Text Editor.
* Below the Map  
  As well as showing the map, there is also a Rich Text Editor displayed below the map allowing the content editor the chance to edit the label’s content. The disadvantage of this mode, is that the Rich Text Editor takes up a lot of space, and can be displeasing to view alongside the map. Though it is quick to read and amend.

Currently there is only one style for a label called ‘Standard’ which allows the Content Editor to configure the label using a Rich Text Editor which allows Bold, Italics, Alignment, Bullet & Numbered lists, Url picker, Media picker and an Embed picker (Which I don’t know what it does – so maybe someone will tell me one day, but it’s a standard thing in Umbraco, so its included here)

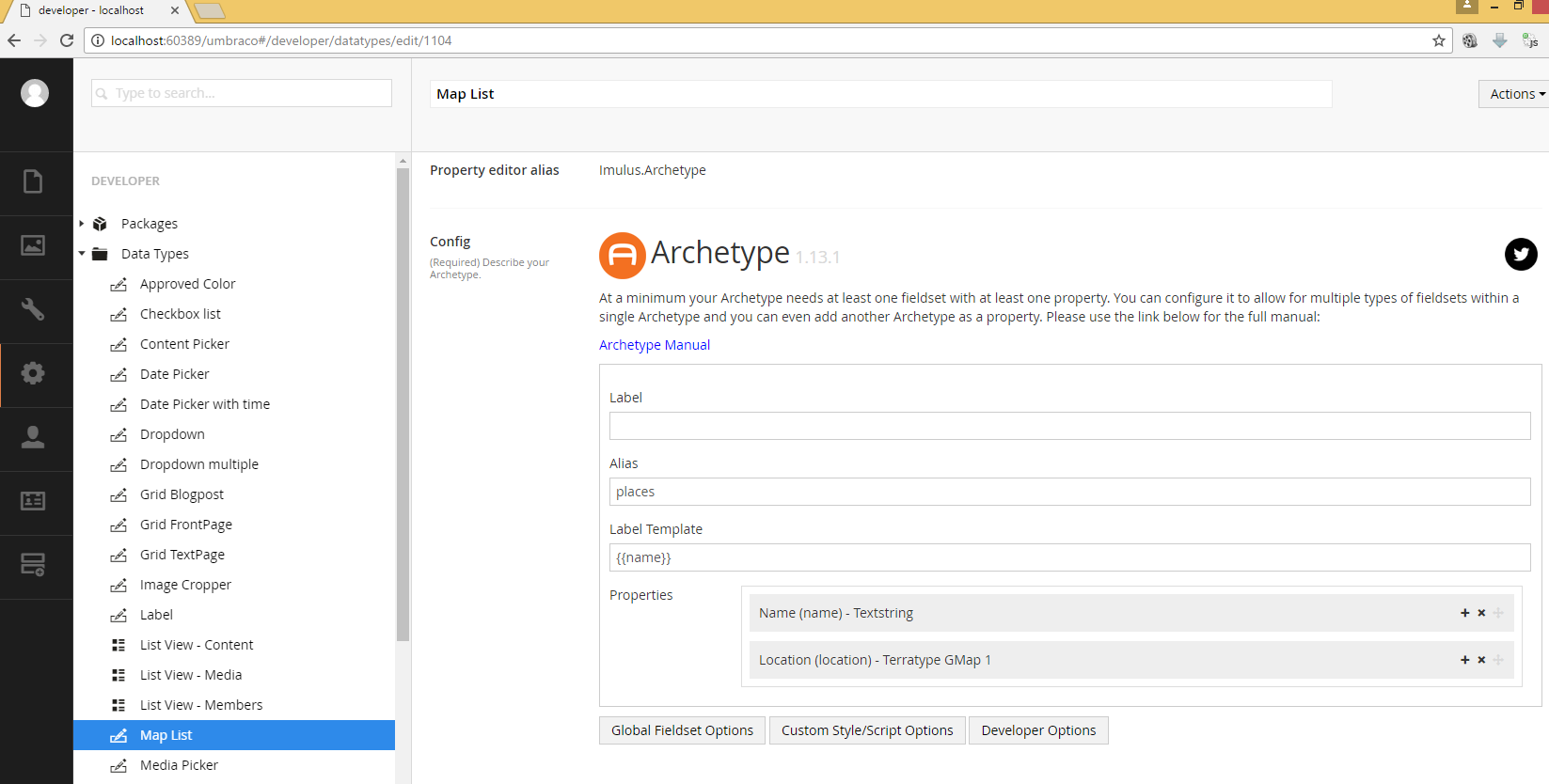
Grid

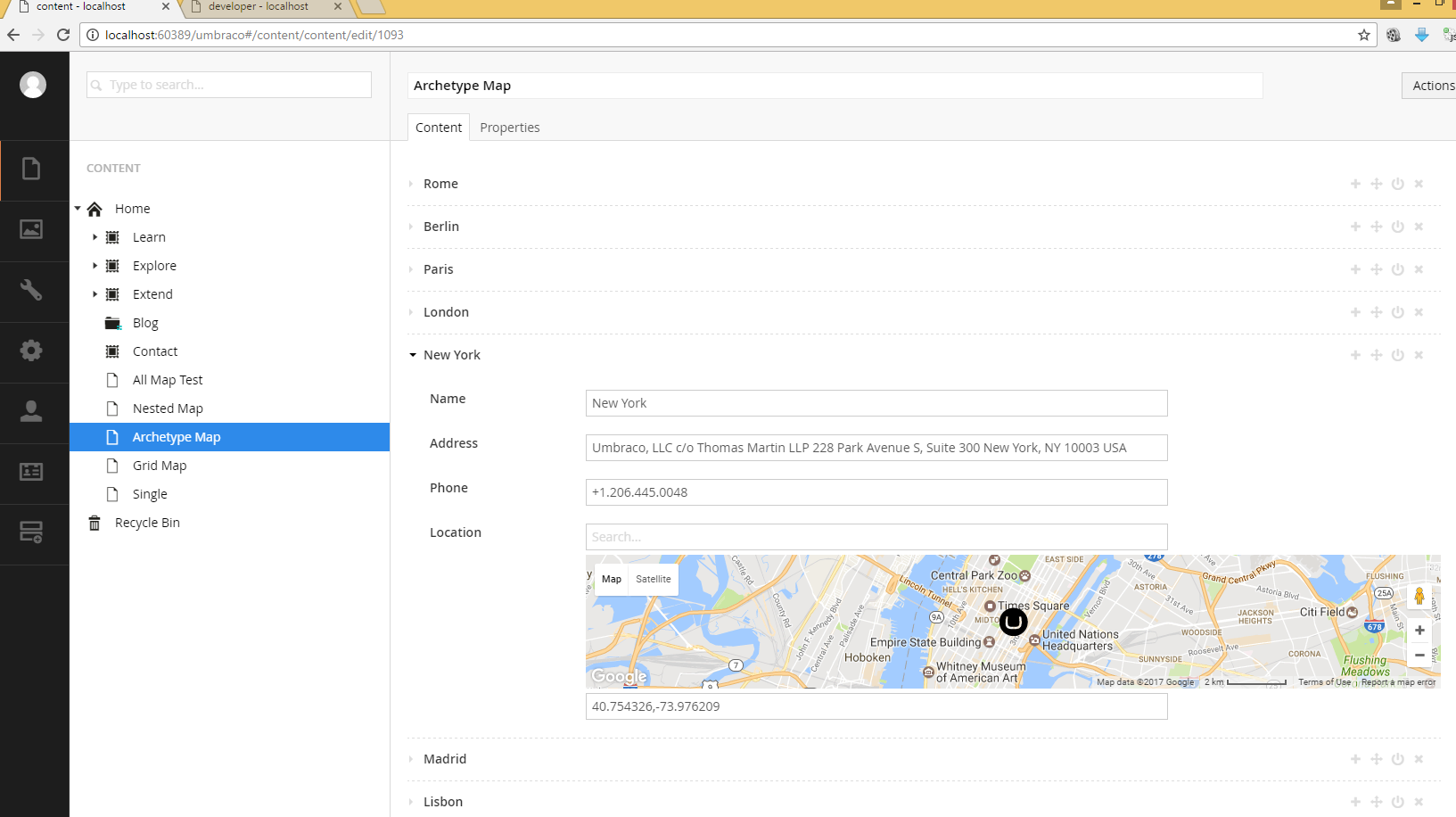
A great feature is allowing maps to be added to any [Grid Editors](http://umbraco.tv/videos/umbraco-v7/implementor/fundamentals/grid-layouts/). This allows a Content Editor to add a Terratype map to a grid, though as part of Grid Editor configuration you can select if and when any data type can be entered including a Terratype map, but as default a Grid Editor will allow any type. To keep it simple for Content Editors, Terratype maps are just referred to as a Map type and you can give each Terratype map a name that the Content Editor can recognise.

# Document Type

Once a new data type has been saved, you can add this data type to your document types. All Terratype Data Types that you create will be listed under MAP section in your editor list  


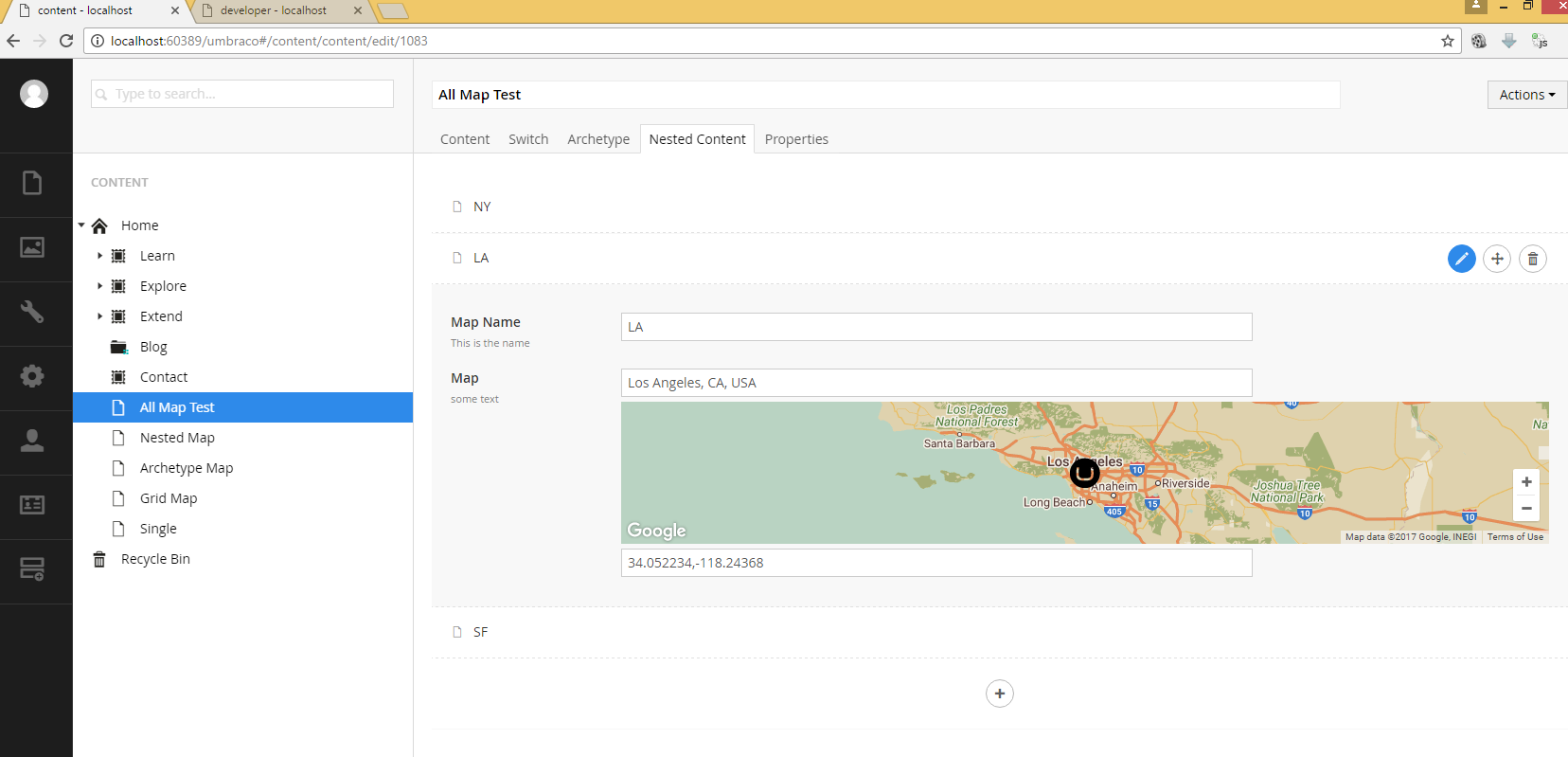
If you require to create multiple locations, it is best to create a single map for each location and then use complex data types or separate content nodes to turn those maps into lists. So for example, create an [Archetype](https://our.umbraco.org/projects/backoffice-extensions/archetype/) datatype called Map List, where each entry contains a Terratype Map, along with other relevant meta data like Name, Address and Phone number for example, like



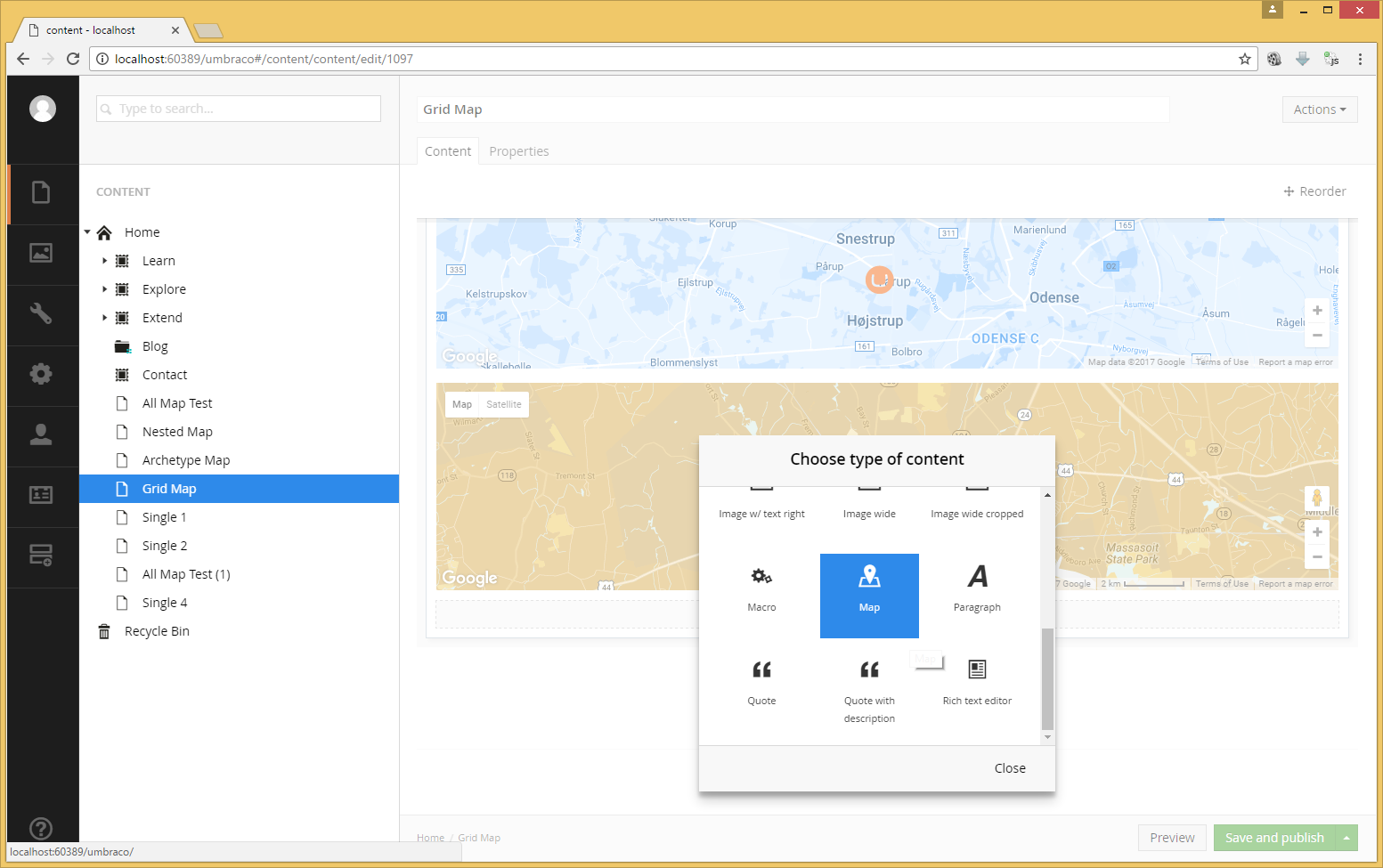
Then once this Archetype is placed within a Document Type, the editor creates a list like this  


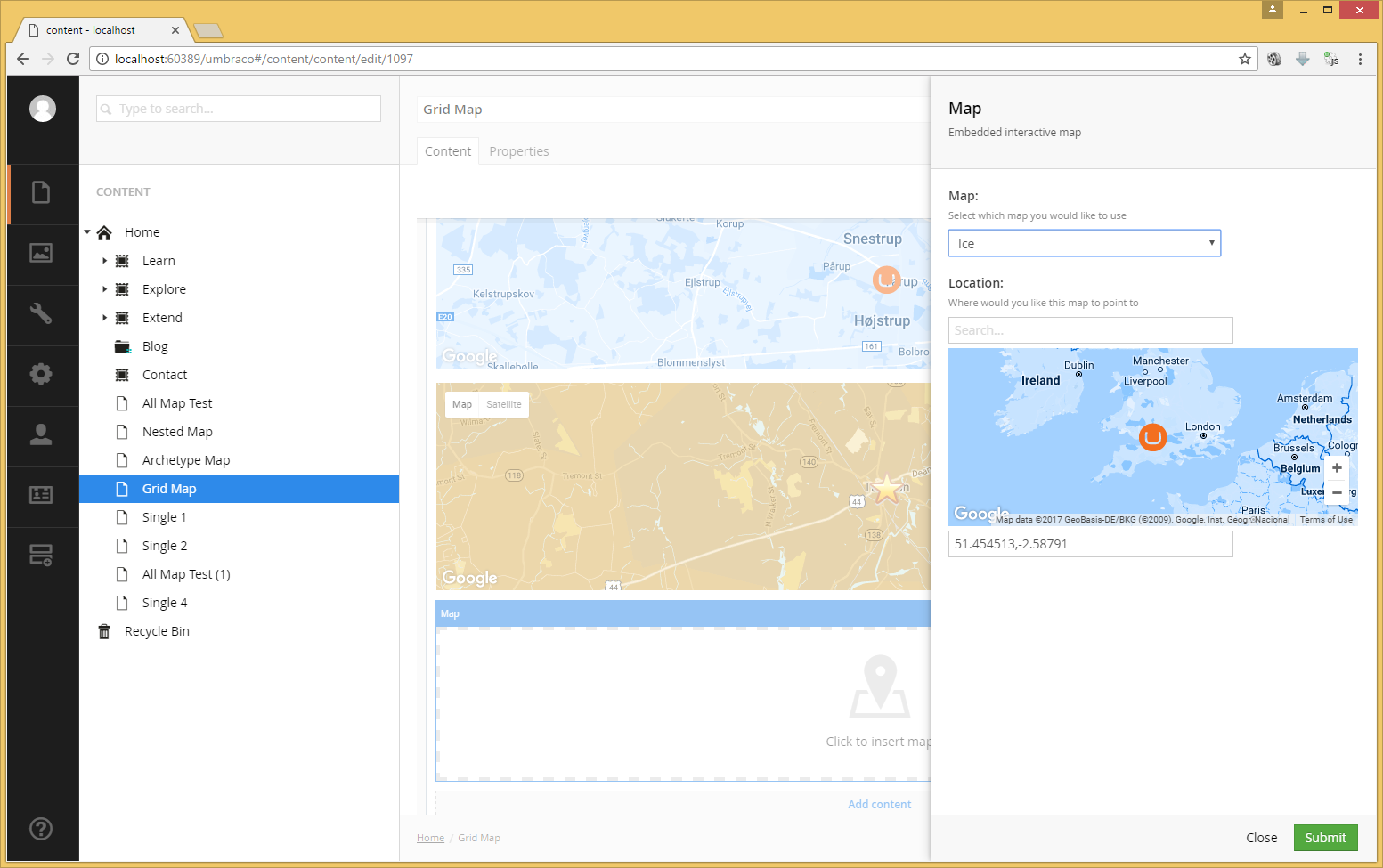
# Content Editor

The content editor can select one location, and also the zoom level is also recorded. If search is available, then the last search term is remembered, though this value has no bearing on the behaviour of the map. As the location can be moved afterwards.



# Grid Editor

A grid editor can add any Maps to a Grid control. First select Map from the Content Choices.  
  
  
  
Once selected click to add a map and a Map overlay panel will appear allowing configuration of this map.



Once happy with the select, choose Submit.

As standard with all grids, a grid can be rendered using the following Razor command

@CurrentPage.GetGridHtml(Html, "grid\_alias")

# Model

Terratype.Models.Model

namespace Terratype.Models

{

public class Model

{

/// <summary>

/// Which provider is this map using to render

/// </summary>

public Provider Provider { get; internal set; }

/// <summary>

/// Where is this map pointing to

/// </summary>

public Position Position { get; set; }

/// <summary>

/// Image marker to display this location on the map

/// </summary>

public Icon Icon { get; internal set; }

/// <summary>

/// Current map zoom

/// </summary>

public int Zoom { get; set; }

/// <summary>

/// Last search request

/// </summary>

public string Lookup { get; set; }

/// <summary>

/// Current map height

/// </summary>

public int Height { get; set; }

}

}

Provider will be a strongly typed version of the a Map Provider previously selected when creating the Data type. The Position will also be a strongly typed version. If you know the Provider or Position type, you can cast to the type required. Eg.

var GMapProvider = (Terratype.Providers.GoogleMapsV3) Model.Content.Map.Provider;

This then allows access to all the settings that are relevent to GoogleMapsV3, though any changes to them can not be saved. The only way to change settings is via the Data type editor.

Terratype.Models.Position

public abstract class Position

{

/// <summary>

/// Unique identifier of coordinate system

/// </summary>

public abstract string Id { get; }

/// <summary>

/// To display position to user

/// </summary>

/// <returns></returns>

public override string ToString()

/// <summary>

/// Parses human readable position

/// </summary>

public virtual void Parse(string datum)

/// <summary>

/// Parses human readable position if possible

/// </summary>

public virtual bool TryParse(string datum)

/// <summary>

/// Convert the current position to a Wgs84 location

/// </summary>

/// <returns>A Wgs84 location</returns>

public abstract LatLng ToWgs84();

/// <summary>

/// Set the position to the Wgs84 location provided

/// </summary>

public abstract void FromWgs84(LatLng wgs84Position);

/// <summary>

/// DatumType varies for each coordinate system, and contains precise values

/// that can be used to perform calculations on. So for example GCJ-02 has Latitude &

/// Longitude that represents the current GCJ-02 position.

/// </summary>

public DatumType Datum;

}

If you plan to perform calculations on a location, and not just display a location to a user, then you have a choice of using either ToWGS84() and FromWGS84() which guareentees to use Wgs84 coordinates regardless of what system the map has been setup with or each Coordinate System has its own Datum value, of a type specific to itself, that can be used to get or set a precise location.

# Render

Any map can be rendered using razor with the command @Html.Terratype()

First you will need to include Terratype at the top of your razor page

@using Terratype;

Specification

@Html.Terratype(Options, Map, Label)

Options: Optional class that is used to set extra values that can be used to control how this map is rendered

* Height: Height of the map in pixels, this value is separate from the height set for the content editor. Most map providers require a physical pixel height, as they can’t display maps to relative dimensions.
* Language: The language you would like the map to use, this can be a 2 or 4 letter code; ‘en’ for English. This value is passed directly to the Map Provider. If not set then the current language will be used.
* MapSetId: When you make Multiple calls to @Html.Terratype() with the same MapSetId, then all those locations will be displayed on the same map. The first map rendered of the set will dictate the settings used, like map styles, api keys etc. Though you can override this with Zoom, Position & Provider options
* Zoom: Regardless of the zoom set in the map, use this zoom value instead. Can be left null to ignore.
* Position: The starting position to use for this map, again this can be left null if the first map of the MapSet is to be used to set the center point.
* Provider: You can override the provider, or any value within the provider with your own custom ones. Note that the values are merged between the provider of the first map in the Map set and any values you set here, with this Provider taking precedence.

Map: The content property of the map.

Dynamics: If you are using Dynamics in your razor templates, usually denoted by

@inherits Umbraco.Web.Mvc.UmbracoTemplatePage

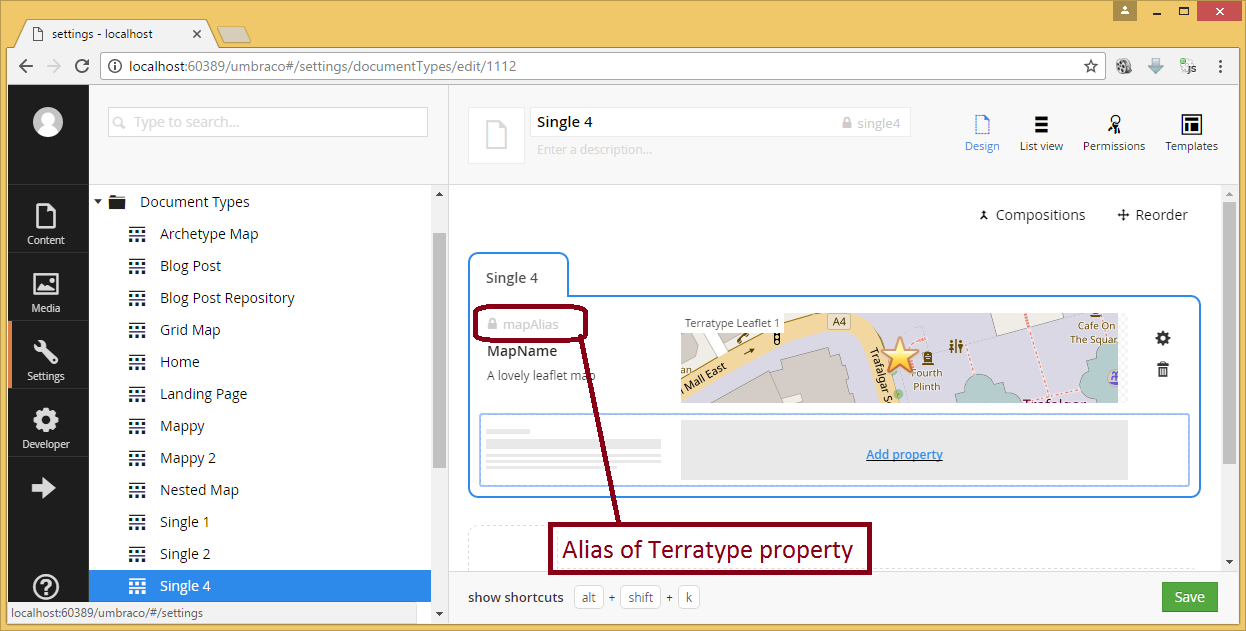
At the top of the Razor page, then any or the following string, IPropertyProperty or object can be used to specify the map you wish to render:-

@Html.Terratype("mapAlias")

@Html.Terratype(Model.Content.GetProperty("mapAlias"))

@Html.Terratype(Model.Content.GetProperty("mapAlias").Value)

Note these examples use ‘mapAlias’, but you will need to use the actual alias of the Terratype property that you specified when creating your Document Type, as shown:-

  
  
Then either a string, IPublishedProperty or object can be used:-

@Html.Terratype("mapAlias")

@Html.Terratype(Model.Content.GetProperty("mapAlias"))

@Html.Terratype(Model.Content.GetProperty("mapAlias").Value)

Strongly Type: If you are using Strongly Type classes in your razor templates, usually denoted by

@inherits Umbraco.Web.Mvc.UmbracoTemplatePage<MyDocTypeAlias>

At the top of the Razor page, please note ‘MyDocTypeAlias’ should actually be the alias of the document type you have that is containing the Terratype property.

Then you should already have a strongly typed property of type Terratype.Models.Model in your Model.Content, so

@Html.Terratype(Model.Content.MapAlias)

will work.

Label: Razor code and/or Html code that is displayed if the user clicks this icon. This has to be wrapped in @<text> </text> so that the razor engine knows this is html that you wish to embed as an argument to @Html.Terratype(). There is no restriction to what html or other razor commands that you place between the <text>, except other <text> commands. If no Razor and/or Html code is present then any label created or edited by the content editor will be used, if this option has been enabled for this map.

Example 1 – Single map with 1 icon using Dynamics

@Html.Terratype("mapAlias")

This will display a map from property mapAlias with whatever label the content editor has created.

Example 2 – Single map with 1 icon using Dynamics

@Html.Terratype("mapAlias",

@<text>

<div>

This icon is at

@((Model.Content.GetProperty("mapAlias").Value as Terratype.Models.Model).Position)

</div>

</text>

)

This will display a map from property mapAlias with a label that contains a yellow div.

Example 3 – Archetype map with lots of icons

@foreach (var record in Model.Content.Archetype)

{

var name = record.GetValue<string>("name");

var map = record.GetValue<Terratype.Models.Model>("location");

@Html.Terratype(new Options { MapSetId = 1 }, map,

@<text>

@name is at @map.Position

</text>

)

}

Given there is an Archetype with alias called ‘archetype’, created with two properties; name and location, this will render all locations created by the content editor on one single map (This is because all the maps rendered will have the same MapSetId of 1)Example 4 – Nested Content map with lots of icons

@Html.Terratype(new Options

{

Provider = new Terratype.Providers.GoogleMapsV3()

{

Variety = new Terratype.Providers.GoogleMapsV3.VarietyDefinition()

{

Satellite = true

}

},

Height = 1000,

MapSetId = 2,

Zoom = 5,

Position = new Terratype.CoordinateSystems.Wgs84("-30,130")

})

@foreach (var record in Model.Content.Nested)

{

var name = record.GetPropertyValue<string>("mapName");

var map = record.GetPropertyValue<Terratype.Models.Model>("map");

@Html.Terratype(new Options { MapSetId = 2 }, map,

@<text>

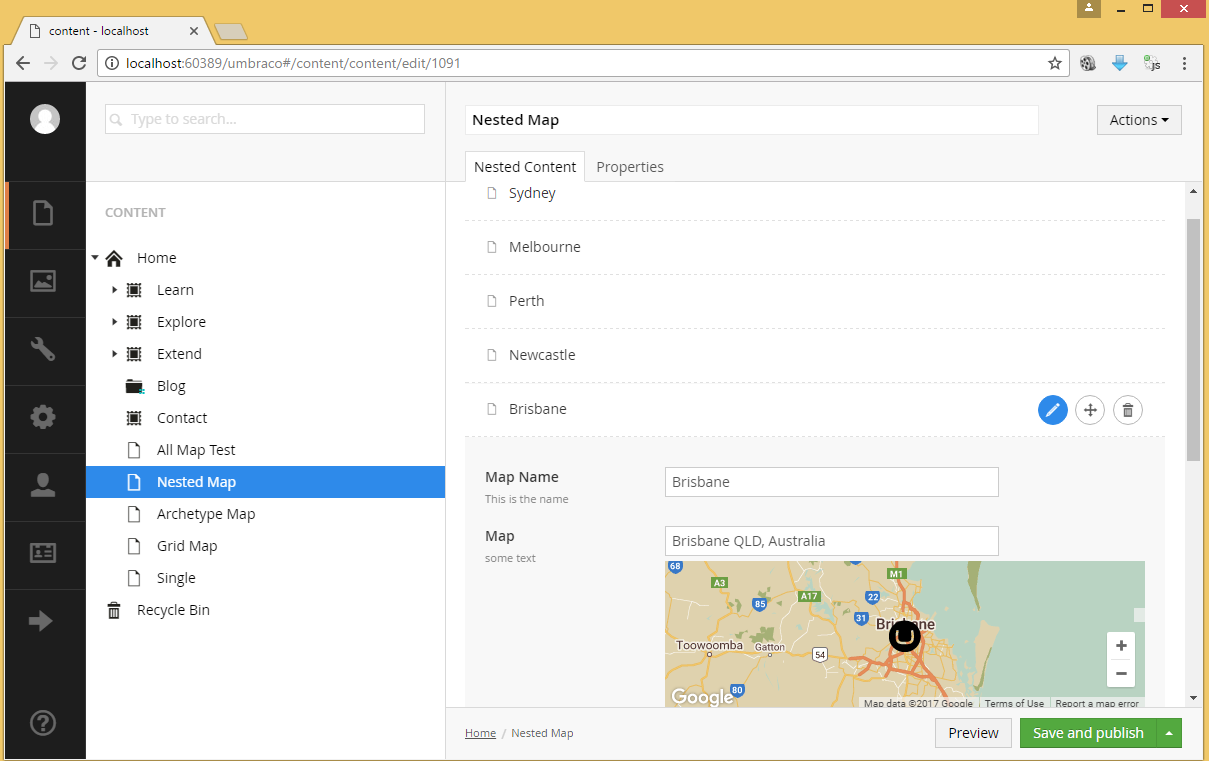
@name is at @map.Position

</text>

)

}

Given that there is a nested content property called Nested that itself has two properties of mapName and map, then this uses Terratype options to create a GoogleMapsV3 provider with Satellite view of height 1000 pixels and with a zoom of 5 and is centred on the location -30,130 (which so happens to be over the middle of Australia). And then for each entry in the nested content is rendered all on this one map. Each entry has its own label of @name is at @map.Position which displays the name and position of each icon

This is an example of what the content editor sees  
  


And this is the view in the browser, once the razor code is rendered, using the data above