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# Gravatar



Your Gravatar is an image that follows you from site to site appearing beside your name when you do things like comment or post on a blog. Avatars help identify your posts on blogs and

Read more about Gravatar on the official website

#### How to

Setting up Gravatars on your site with Metro 4 is simple and easy.



## Gravatar size

By default, images are presented at 80px by 80px. You may request a specific image size, which will be dynamically delivered from Gravatar by using add attribute data-size=value where value is your size in pixels.



You may request images anywhere from 1px up to 2048px, however note that many users have lower resolution images, so requesting larger sizes may result in pixelation/low-quality images.

## Gravatar defaults

What happens when an email address has no matching Gravatar image? Gravatar has a number of built in options which you can also use as defaults. Most of these work by taking the requested email hash and using it to generate a themed image that is unique to that email address. To use these options, just pass one of the following keywords as the data-default attribute to an image request:

- 404: do not load any image if none is associated with the email hash, instead return an HTTP 404 (File Not Found) response
- mp: (mystery-man) a simple, cartoon-style silhouetted outline of a person (does not vary by email hash)
- identicon: a geometric pattern based on an email hash
- monsterid: a generated 'monster' with different colors, faces, etc
- wavatar: generated faces with differing features and backgrounds
- retro: awesome generated, 8-bit arcade-style pixelated faces
- blank: a transparent PNG image (border added to HTML below for demonstration purposes)



## Your own default image

If you'd prefer to use your own default image (perhaps your logo, a funny face, whatever), then you can easily do so by supplying the URL to an image in the data-default attribute. The URL should be URL-encoded to ensure that it carries across correctly. Your own default image will returned in original size.



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<img data-role="gravatar"
   data-email="a@b.com"
   data-default="https://metroui.org.ua/images/jeki_chan.jpg">
```

When you include a default image, Gravatar will automatically serve up that image if there is no image associated with the requested email hash. There are a few conditions which must be met for default image URL:

- MUST be publicly available (e.g. cannot be on an intranet, on a local development machine, behind HTTP Auth or some other firewall etc). Default images are passed through a security scan to avoid malicious content.
- MUST be accessible via HTTP or HTTPS on the standard ports, 80 and 443, respectively.
- MUST have a recognizable image extension (jpg, jpeg, gif, png)
- MUST NOT include a querystring (if it does, it will be ignored)

## Runtime

You can change atributes at runtime and Gravatar plugin change same values.