

the Xmms Gtk Rater Client

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1 What is this ?

This is a small gtk client for xmms2 that will allow you to easily rate your song as you are playing them

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2 Dependency

You need

- ruby
- the gtk2 ruby library
- xmms2
- the ruby libxmmsclient, with its glib extension

3 Installing

Just put the executable somewhere in your path with the executable bit set

You can remove the .rb

It might work on windows. If you successfully install it there please, let me know

4 Running

When the application is launched, its main windows will open. There new song will be add as they are played.

4.1 Rating

You can rate songs shown in the different windows of the application with:

- the “Action” Menu,
- the context Menu (use right click, or the menu key),
- or just click on the check box.

Note that xmms2 do not accept 0 as a rating, an a such, 0 mean no rating.

4.2 Browsing the medialib

You can also use the application to rate other song: in both the action menu and context menu, you have the

- “Show same artist”

- “Show same album”
- “Show same title”

to list all songs that have the same artist, album or title than the current one. Checking for same title could be useful to check for duplicate songs, and rate one high, and the others low.

You can also use the “Rate others” menu entry where you will be asked for an xmms2 collection pattern. A new windows will open listing songs that are matched by your pattern.

In all those case, the song listed can be rated as in the main windows.

4.3 Pattern

A quick description of xmms2 pattern, more can be found [here](#).

4.3.1 the pattern grammar:

in: name will match any song that is in the collection named *name*

property: shellpattern will match any song whose *property* is matched by the *shellpattern*

You can use * in shellpattern to match anything, and ? to match just one character.

You can also use ‘>’, ‘<’, ‘<=’ or ‘>=’ in place of the ‘.’ for matching smaller or bigger value

+property will match any song whose *property* is set

pattern AND pattern will match any song that is matched by both pattern

pattern OR pattern will match any song that is matched by at least one of the pattern.

4.3.2 Interesting property could be:

title: the title of the song,

artist: the artist, group, singer... of the song,

album: the album the song is,

genre: the style of music,

rating: the rating of the song,

laststarted: the last time the song have been played,

timesplayed: the number of time the song have been played,

status: the status of the song. For example, 3 is for song that have failed to be played last time.