



TUTORIAL 1. How To Log Into The Back End Of A Joomla! Website

You are reading this tutorial because you have a website powered by the Joomla! content management system. Congratulations! Joomla! is one of the best ways to run a website. It is dynamic and expandable, with a huge community of developers and users (see <http://www.joomla.org> for more info.)

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This tutorial covers how to log in to the “back end” of your Joomla! website. The back end may also be referred to as the “Administration Area”. This is the area of your website that visitors do not see.

You are strongly advised to use the free FIREFOX web browser to access the back end of your website, instead of Internet Explorer, AOL, Opera, or Netscape. To download and install the latest version of Firefox, go to www.firefox.com. Follow the instructions there and download the browser.

Once you have downloaded the Firefox web browser, start it up so that you can access the Internet. Once you are on the Internet with the Firefox web browser, you are ready to enter your website’s back end administration area.

To Access the back end, you must go to the administration area of your website. For example, if your website is www.happycat.com you must type www.happycat.com/administrator into the URL box. The URL can be found at the top of your web browser. Type in your website’s URL, followed by **/administrator** and press enter (or return on Macs),



You should now be on the administration log in page. If you are not, check to see if you have spelled your **domain name** or “**administrator**” correctly.

A screenshot of the Joomla! Administrator login page. The page has a light gray background. On the left, there is an icon of a computer monitor with a yellow padlock in front of it. Below the icon, the text reads: "Welcome to Joomla!" and "Use a valid username and password to gain access to the administration console." On the right, the word "Login" is written in a large, bold, red font. Below this, there is a form with two input fields: "Username" with the text "admin" entered, and "Password" with "*****" entered. Below the password field is a "Login" button.

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To access the back end you must enter a valid username and password into the login box. Floating World Web Development will have given you an administration username and password. Enter them now and press the login button.













Now you should be inside the back end administration area. It should look something like this:

Joomla! Administrator version 1.8

Home Site Menu Content Components Modules Mambots Installers Messages System Help 0 0 Logout admin

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Control Panel

 Add New Content	 Content Items Manager	 Static Content Manager
 Frontpage Manager	 Section Manager	 Category Manager
 Media Manager	 Trash Manager	 Menu Manager
 Language Manager	 User Manager	 Global Configuration

Logged Components Popular Latest Items

Menu Stats

Currently Logged in Users

1	admin	Super Administrator	✖
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This concludes out tutorial on how to login to the back end of a Joomla! website. We hope it is useful to you. Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email Floating World Web Development.

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