

How To Add an Image to your Sidebar in Wordpress.



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This report was written to help my fellow students of Alex Jeffreys' Coaching Program, due to feedback that I had received on my blog, it is also available for anyone who wants it. You are allowed to give this report away "**AS IS**" for **Free**. If you feel that you have benefited from this tutorial would you please make a comment on my blog @ <http://www.taradipalma.com> Thank you in advance.

☺ Ok let's get started....

If you haven't already you will need to have a quick look over [How to upload images and e-books using filezilla](#) to understand the path (URL) to where you uploaded your images or e-book.

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Ok so now you have an image that you want to upload to your wordpress blog sidebar.

You need to know the path (URL) of where your image is located on your server, if you are not sure you can check by logging into your server with filezilla, then navigate to the [public_html](#) file, for every folder you have to open to find your image that is part of the path (URL). I hope the example will help to clear up some confusion.

Navigate to your images folder.

Now we are at this path <http://www.yourdomain.com/images>

Now look for the image you want to use for example we will call it "listbuilding.jpg"

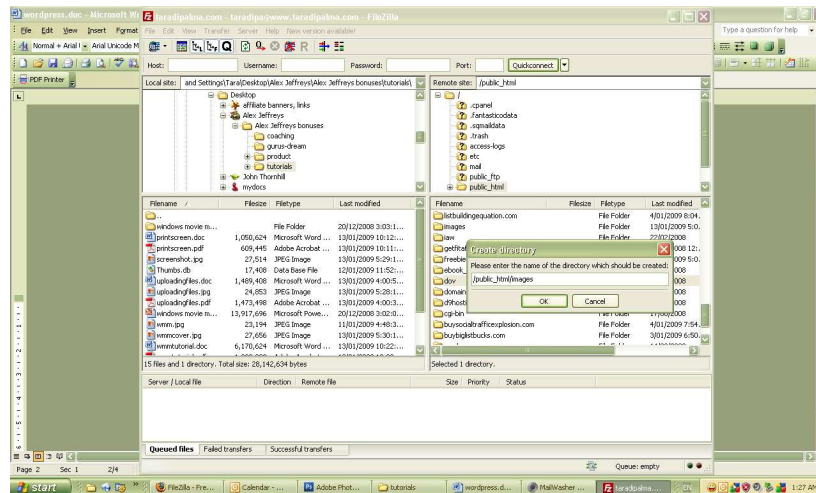
So now the path is <http://www.yourdomain.com/images/listbuilding.jpg>

If your blog isn't located on your main domain eg:- <http://www.yourdomain.com/blog> the path would read different from the above examples.

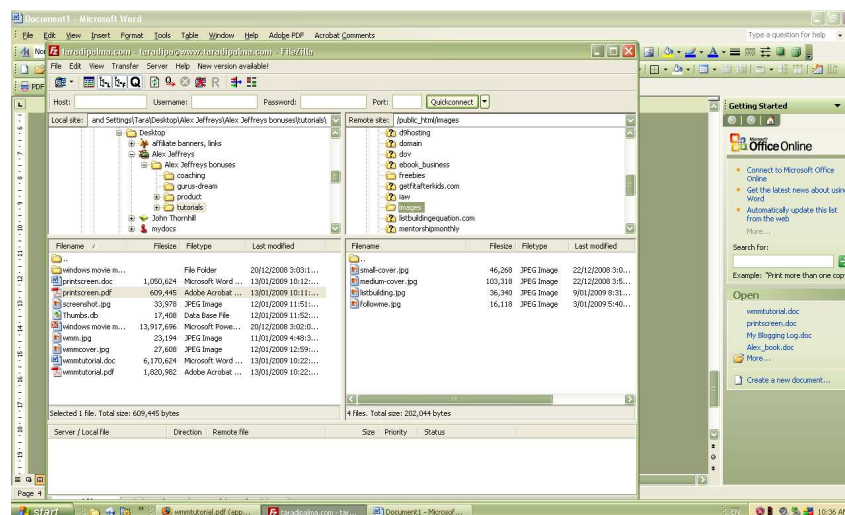
Eg:- <http://www.yourdomain.com/blog/images/listbuilding.jpg>

If you haven't set up an images folder then we will have to create one. Log into your server with [Filezilla](#) (filezilla is a free ftp program and it is very easy to use) ☺

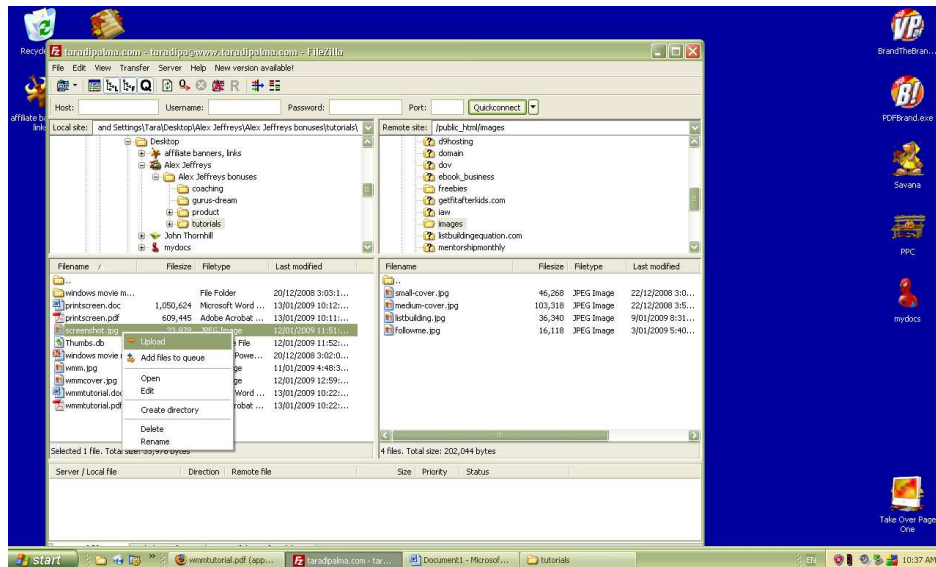
Navigate to the public_html double click to open the folder then right click anywhere in that folder, a window will open saying please enter the name of the directory that you want to be created, you will see it has public_html/ already in the window, just add "images" after the trailing slash / so it should look like this [public_html/images](#) click ok.



Navigate to the images folder double click to open, find the image on which you want to upload on the left hand side of filezilla.



Right click
Select upload



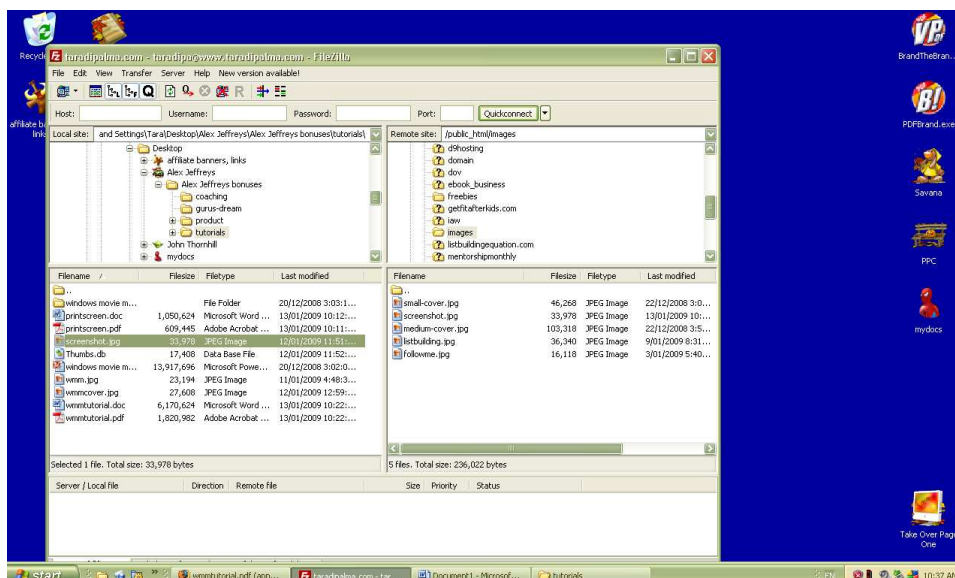
You will see your new image now in the right hand side

Remember we called the e-book cover [lisbuilding.jpg](#)

So the full path for this image would be

<http://www.yourdomainname/images/listuilding.jpg>

Or <http://www.yourdomain.com/blog/images/lisbuilding.jpg>



Ok this is the path that we need to enter into your wordpress widget to display the image inside the sidebar.....still with me? I hope I haven't lost you.

You can check that everything was uploaded by going to the full path of where the image is.

Enter the full path into your browser examples are below, remember the names you chose maybe different than the examples below depending on your choice.

<http://www.yourdomain.com/images/listbuilding.jpg>

Or <http://www.yourdomain.com/blog/images/listbuilding.jpg>

If your image opens up in the browser then **FANTASTIC** you made it ☺ if not then you have to go back through the steps and make sure you have entered everything correctly.

First you need to understand the tags and their properties.

The **Image Tag** and the **Src** Attribute

In HTML, images are defined with the tag.

To display an image on a page, you need to use the "src" attribute, src stands for "source". The src attribute is the URL (path) of the image.

This code is used to display the image

For Example the (Path) URL of your image should look something like this:

<http://www.yourdomain.com/images/listbuilding.gif>.

Or

<http://www.yourdomain.com/blog/images/listbuilding.gif>

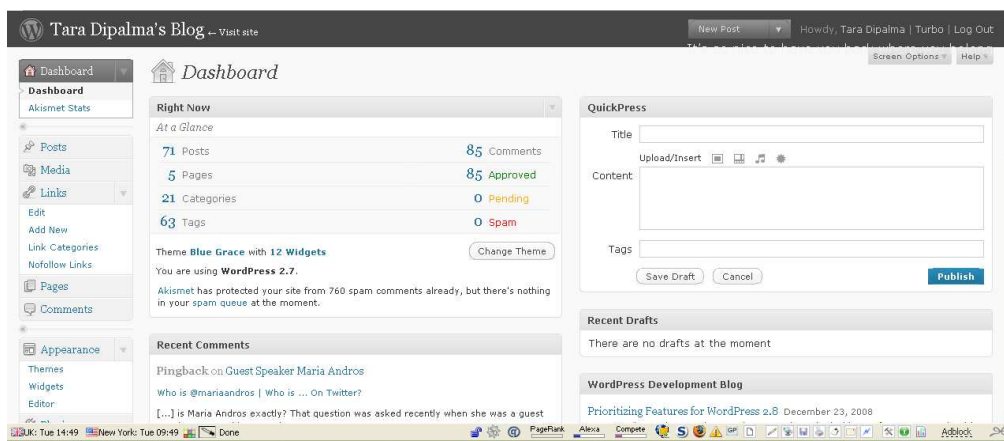
"The Alt Attribute" is used to define an "alternate text" for the image this is what google sees, don't keyword stuff it ☺ alternate text is shown when some browsers can't load images, below are examples of what it will look like once it is put together.

Or

Now let's add it as **html code** into a wordpress widget on the sidebar of your blog.

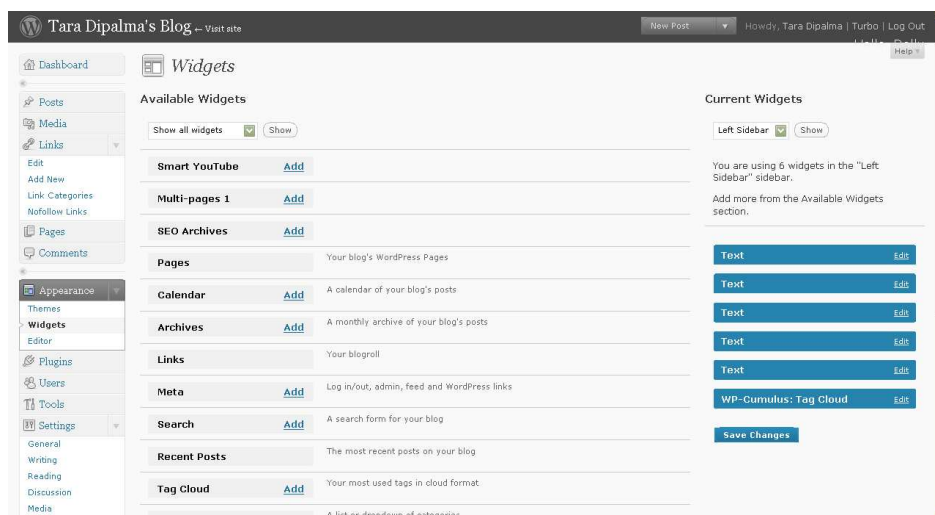
Ok stay with me.....

Log into your wordpress blog, you should be at the dashboard



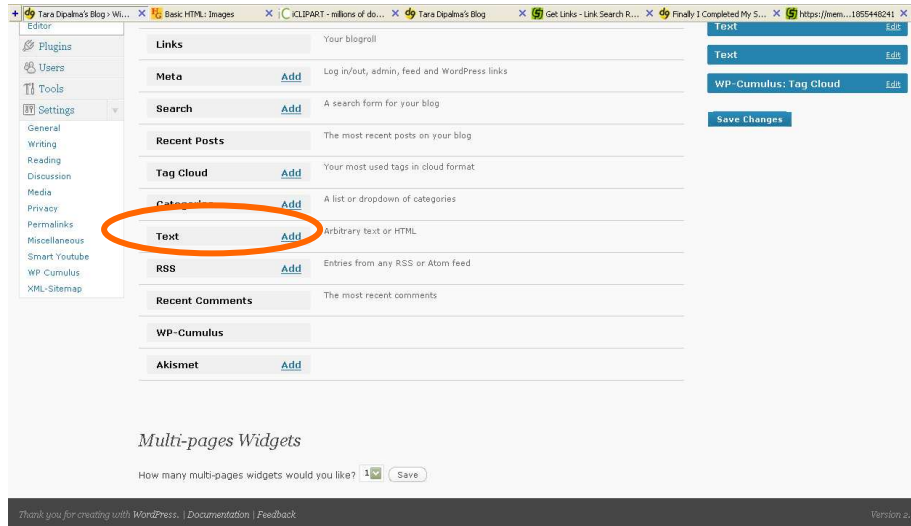
Under **Appearance** you will see....**Themes, Widgets and Editor**

Click on widgets

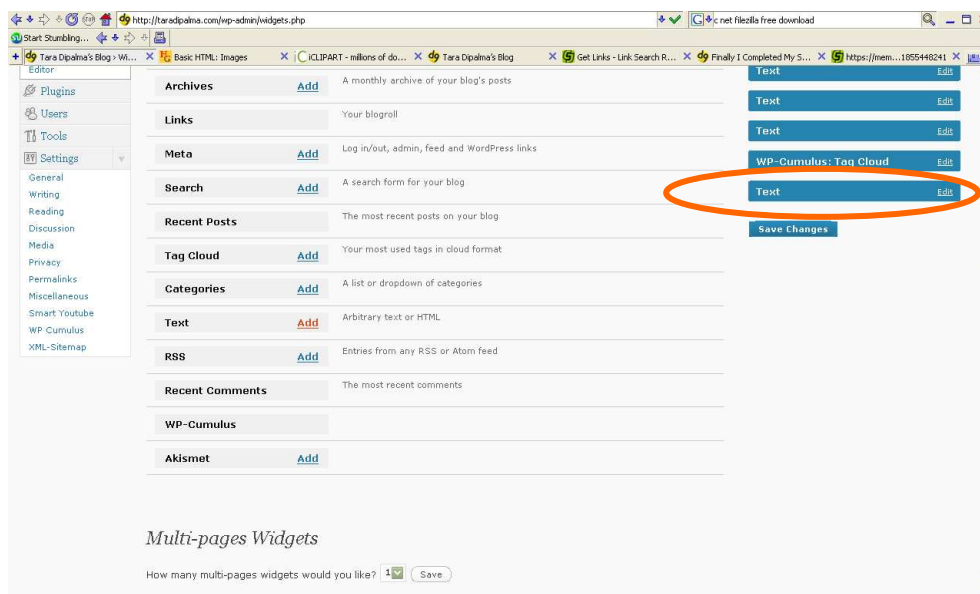


To the right you can see the widgets you are already using

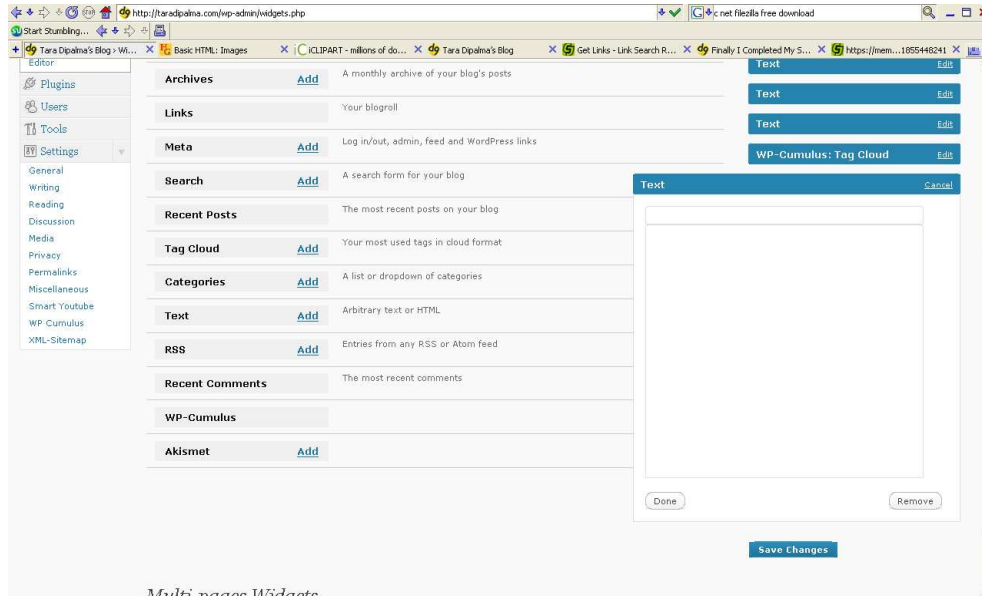
Click on Text.....[Add](#)



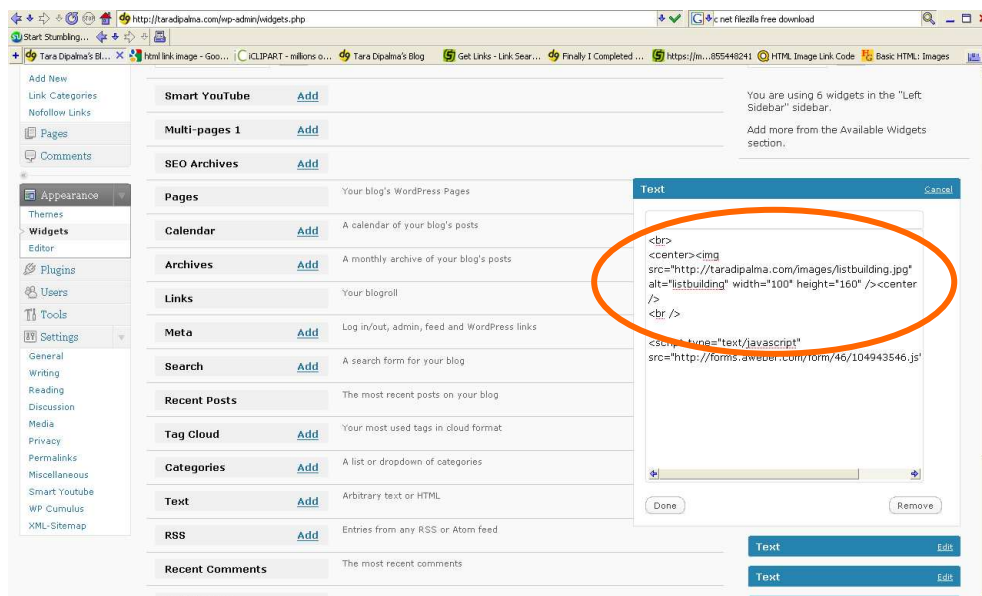
You will see an extra text widget appear at the bottom of your widgets on the right hand side.



Click on edit and the text box will open; this is where we want to paste the html code, the path to your image

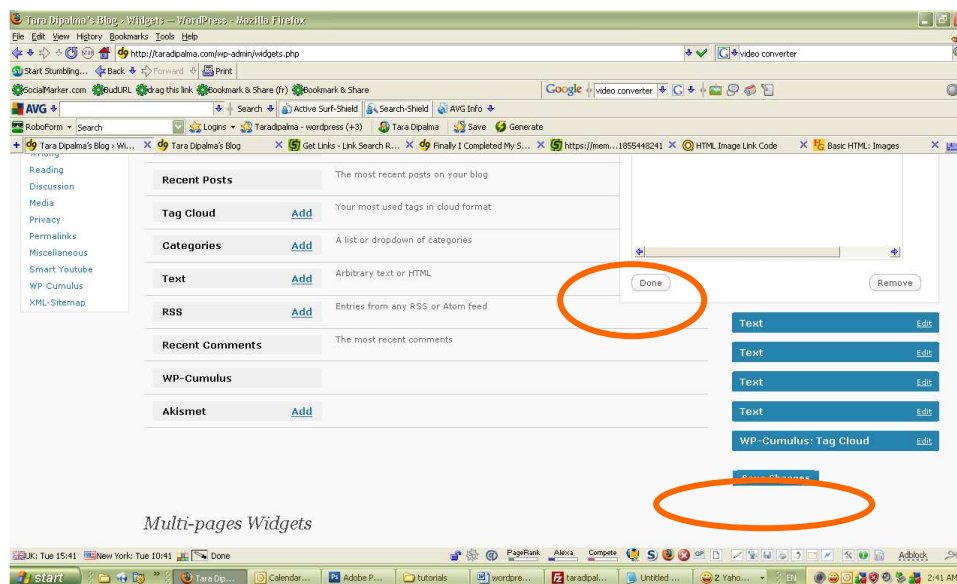


Copy down the full string and edit it to fit your details, then paste it into the text widget.



Click Done

Then Click Save Changes



Now we need to check your blog to see that the image looks good, some sidebars tend to distort the image, I am not sure why but it happened to me ☹️ so then I had to add width and height variables, but don't stress too much first go and check that your page looks good and I will walk you through how to fix it if it doesn't.

Once you are finished you can drag the text widget to the top of your widgets or where ever you want the image to be displayed, remember to always click save changes.



When I first uploaded the image of the e-book list building with Alex it pushed my column right over to the right ☹

If the same happens to you, you will need to add the width and height variable to the end of the full string, then play around with the measurements until you are happy with the outcome.

Here is the example of how to do it:-

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<center></center />
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You can add the center tags so that the image will sit in the center of the sidebar.

That's it ☺

To your Success!

Tara Dipalma



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