

## WiBrain documentation

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*Note : Parts in italic are still in French, a translation will come very soon*

### At the beginning...



At the beginning WiBrain displays itself as seen on the screenshot.

The top zone is the button bar that allow to access to main functionality.

The bottom zone displays contextual informations that changes depending on what item the mouse is, check it often to see it helping you

The main zone shows the data organisation as a tree.

These three zones are described in the following.

Several other zones can appear, they will be described later...

The first thing to try is to drag a file from the Explorer window and to drop it in the main view. You can also drag a shortcut to an application, a selection in Photoshop, a fragment of selected text (it depends on the application)...

You can also try the copy paste technique with programs that are in your 'Start' menu, to have shortcuts to them in WiBrain.

When you are browsing the internet, you can grab the address icon directly to WiBrain in order to remember the page.

Then you can rename the WiBrain item to have a friendly name, the url is kept into the item and you just have to double click on the item to re-open the browser on this page...



Drag this icon !

You can discover by yourself all WiBrain functionalities. You can also refer to the next paragraphs to know every thing about it

### Button bar



### Pin / Unpin

This button switches between the two modes : Pinned and Unpinned.

In Pinned mode, the WiBrain window is visible whenever the mouse cursor is not over it.

At the opposite, in Unpinned mode, the window

hides itself when the cursor leaves it (when you don't need it anymore).

### Save

All data will be saved when this button is pushed.

The configuration is saved in the WiBrain.conf file that lies in the WiBrain directory.

(Every time you save, the last configuration is backedup, in order that you CANNOT LOOSE DATA. By the way, it is more secure to do a save when you make a modification on your data, this way even if WiBrain crashes, you keep your data)

### Automatic save

This button turns on or off the automatic saving done when WiBrain exits.

(Everytime a save is done, the last configuration is backedup, in order that you CANNOT LOOSE DATA)

### Always on top

When checked, the WiBrain window will stay on top of every other window in the desktop.

### Open/Close preview

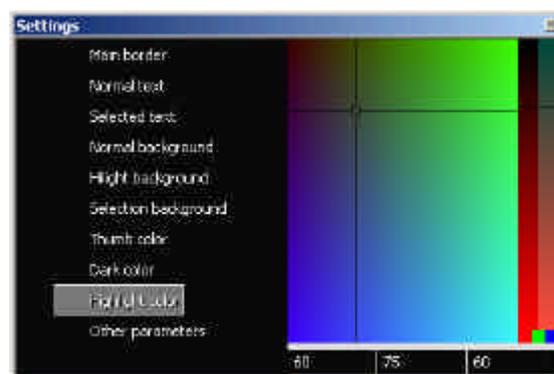
Open or close the preview window for the currently selected item. See a detailed explanation of the Preview in the next sections...

### Settings

This box allows access to general settings of WiBrain.

When clicking on this button, the Settings window appears, it is described at next step:

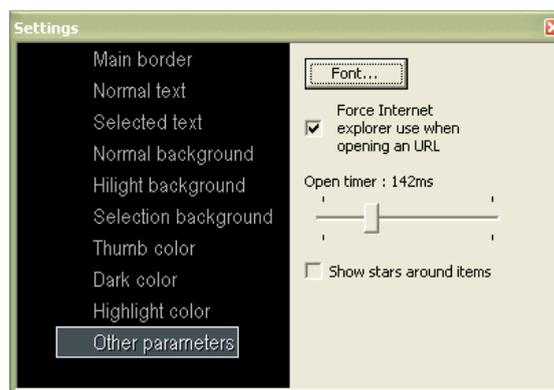
### Settings window



To choose a color, you have to select on the left what is the color you want to change. Then, you must click in the palette to instantly modify the current color. At the bottom of the palette there is three buttons (red, green and blue) : by clicking on it you change how the palette is organized, and thus you can access all the colors !

You can also manually enter each values (red, green and blue) in the three text zones..

The last section in the left (Other parameters) allows to modify some behavior of WiBrain :



Font : you can choose the font used for all displayed data.

Force Internet Explorer...: when checked Internet Explorer will be used when clicking on a URL (link) item, instead of your default browser.

Open timer: you can choose how many times your mouse got to stay over WiBrain to get the main view opened (when in the Unpinned mode)

Show stars around items: if checked a star will appear next to items that are used more frequently. The star begin full yellow and then becomes red when the item is clicked very often.

### Minibar mode

Minibar mode is at development step, it is at Alpha step...

When Minibar mode is on, WiBrain does not even more show entirely. Instead a mini bar is displayed.

The minibar represent a condensed view of the currently visible items in the tree.

When clicking on one Minibar item, you do just as if you were double-clicking in the normal view.

The Wibrain window becomes a desktop bar and all maximized windows will get shift from the left.

Note: you should put WiBrain in Pinned mode when activating the Minibar mode, in order to keep the Minibar always visible.

To quit the MiniBar mode, right-click on the MiniBar border.

### Extend vertically

This button maximizes the WiBrain height.

### Quit

So your job is done?

See you soon! Thanks to have used WiBrain.



## Main view

### The items

The base element in WiBrain can contain several information.

An internet URL, a file path, a picture, a shortcut, a textual memo: all of that can be compound in a WiBrain element.

(Actually there can be almost everything with a plugin extension)

In the tree view, an element is presented as an icon, a title and a colour (there can also be a star on the elements that are used the most often). In the preview window, one can view the detailed view of an element and therefore modify each of these information.

The standard manipulations in the tree are allowed in order to organize the hierarchy (drag and drop, right-click menu and keyboard shortcuts)

### Fields

*(not yet documented, try Paste as new fields and see the Preview window to see how this works)*

### Preview window

#### The different fields

Text: simplay a textual data

File: a file path, execute or opens the file.

Picture: a bitmap stored picture

Internet link: an url, opening the default browser

### Keyboard

When an item is selected in the main view, the following keys are usable:

F2: Rename title field.  
ENTER: Do the default action for this item.  
DELETE: Remove this item.  
ARROWS: Select another item, expand or shrink the preview window.  
CTRL+SHIFT+V: Replace the item content's by the data actually in the clipboard.  
CTRL+B: same.  
CTRL+SHIFT+B: Paste the clipboard data in new fields of the item (current data will be kept, see in the preview window).  
CTRL+S: Save the data.  
CTRL+P: Display or hide the preview window.

### **Right button**

Add...: creates a new item (from different templates) and inserts it in the tree.  
  
Action...: process some standard actions on the item.  
  
Preview: displays the Preview window.  
  
Copy: copy the item.  
Paste: paste the item  
Paste as new fields: paste the clipboard content in a new field of the item.  
  
Save conf: save all data (in WiBrain.conf)  
Import conf...: import a WiBrain data file in the item. (Be Aware that if the imported file references an external plugin, it may crash WiBrain and loose data. For the moment no plugin is developed for WiBrain so you don't risk anything to try...)  
Export conf in text: exports all data in a file name WiBrain.conf.text (in WiBrain directory)  
  
Upload configuration file (FTP)...: saves the item in a FTP server, in order to get it later, else where.

Import configuration file (FTP)...: import WiBrain data from an FTP server to the current item.

Import/Export node to a WiBrain web server...: save or load an item on a web server (<http://ltearno.free.fr/wibrain>).

Properties...: opens the property window for the current item (handles the item colour and popularity counter).

### **Moving an element**

Moving an item in the tree is done as naturally as many other applications (drag and drop), all items that belong to the moving item are moved with it.

When an item is dropped on a 'category' item, the item goes into this category, but not if you hold the SHIFT key.

In any other case, the item is inserted right before the item it was dropped over.

This behaviour can be altered by the following key combination:

CTRL: insert the dropped item inside the item it was dropped over (which one becomes a category if needed)

SHIFT: inserts the item right before the item it was dropped over (even if it is a category)

### **Copy/paste**

The copy paste operation uses the same keys as any other Windows applications. WiBrain also accepts some others :

CTRL+SHIFT+V: Replaces the current item content by the clipboard content.

CTRL+B: same.

CTRL+SHIFT+B: Pastes the clipboard content in new fields of the current item (you must display the Preview to see them).

## **Resizing**

Resizing WiBrain is done by grabbing its border and moving it.

If SHIFT key is hold while the Preview window is open, grabbing and moving a border resizes the main zone.

If instead of moving the border zone, you move the inside zone of the border, all the window is moved and resized at the same time.

You can hold the CTRL key doing that to prevent the window from moving (it only resizes it).