

## Minichat

This module displays a small chat window. It can be used to have a quick exchange with visitors or users. It is also useful for displaying a short message to visitors.

### USAGE

You will see it listed at ""Admin > Modules > Assign new module > minichat (drop down)" ([tiki-admin\\_modules.php](#)).

You can assign this [Module](#) to a side column (see the [Module Admin](#) page if needed), or you can include it within a wiki page, using the [PluginModule](#), but not both simultaneously. The plugin will not display in a wiki page if it is also active in a side column.

#### Feature activation

The minichat must also be activated as a feature, which can be done at tiki-admin.php. The preference system name is "feature\_minichat".

## Parameter name

decorations

rows

## **description**

whether to show decorations in the module or not  
number to indicate the number of rows to show (acting  
here as height of the module box)

## **options**

y,n

number (integer)

channels

nochannelbar

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name of channel/s in tabs of the minichat window

displaying the channel bar, default: n (, so yes there is a  
channel bar by default) Tiki6.0+

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"#channel\_name1,#channel\_name2,..."

y,n

The assigned module to a wiki page, as example, could be through this call to the module:

CODE

```
!# Chat We are considering to add a [http://doc.tikiwiki.org/minichat]chat service] to allow synchronous communication with  
distant participants. More information will be provided here in the following days.  
{MODULE(module=>minichat,decorations=>y,rows=30,channels="#default,#BabelWiki08")}{MODULE}
```

Which would produce the minichat window in the middle of the column:

## 8. Chat

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## CSS SECTION

**Q: is this still necessary?** A: It is not necessary in a technical sense, but the style definitions make tabs show around channel names, for example (tested with Tiki 7.2).

In order to have the minichat work as expected, you have to make sure you have some entries like these on the CSS file of your theme style:

### section at .css

```
/* MiniChat */ div.box-minichat { width: 100%; } div.minichatchans { border-bottom: 1px solid #aaa; overflow-x: auto; }
a.minichata_selected { text-decoration: none; background-color: #eee; padding: 1px; border-top: 1px solid #aaa; border-left: 1px solid #aaa; border-right: 1px solid #aaa; } a.minichata_unselected { text-decoration: none; padding: 1px; border-top: 1px
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solid transparent; border-left: 1px solid transparent; border-right: 1px solid transparent; } div.minichatdiv { font-size: 9px; } span.minichat\_ts { display: inline; letter-spacing: -1px; margin-right: 2px; } span.minichat\_nick { color: #008; margin-right: 2px; } #role\_main .box-minichat {width: 400px; max-width: 400px}

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## SMILIE IN URL FIX

The Mini Chat annoyingly puts a smilie in the URL of posted links because it reads the :/ in http://  
The Mini Chat smilies are defined in tiki-minichat\_ajax.php (while it should be coded to use the global ones).  
Remove the line for the "confused" smilie around line 127

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$msgtotal = str_replace(":/", "<img border='0' src='img/smiles/icon_confused.gif' width='15' height='15'>", $msgtotal);
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Thanks to niclone for writing this module!

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