

Simple Blogger Manual

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ABOUT

Simple Blogger is a small and very easy to use application that enables you to write and publish new posts quickly to your blog. It is available on Windows (checked in Windows XP SP3 and Windows 7), Linux (checked in Fedora and Ubuntu) and like source. Simple Blogger has written on Python 2.7 with wxPython. Because of this, it looks natural in any operating system. Follow modules are used in Simple Blogger: gdata (link to Google API), pickle (to organize configuration files), gettext (to support different languages), etc.

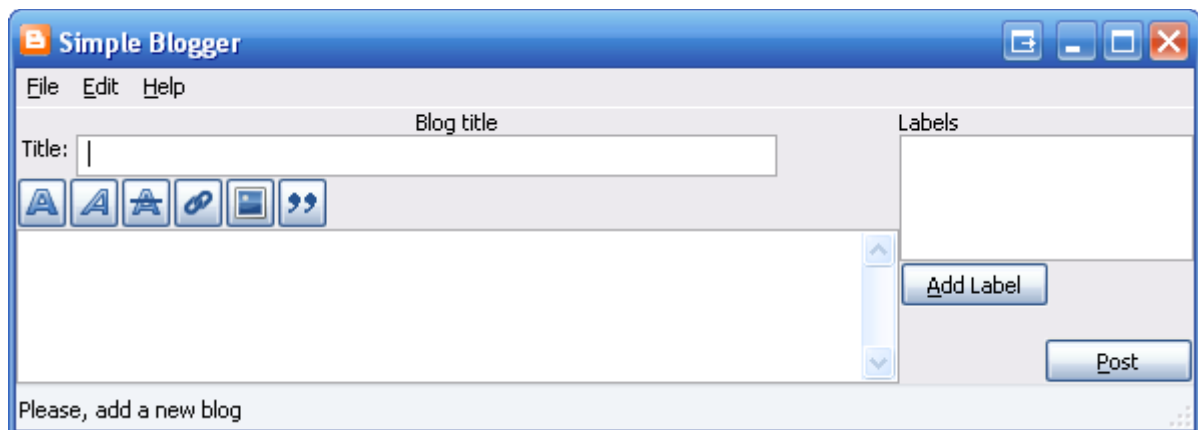
Homepage: <http://sourceforge.net/projects/simpleblogger/>

FEATURES

- Make post to your Blogger
- Labels support
- Local draft support
- Internalization support
- Automatically adds all your blogs from Google account
- Tag templates
- Upload image to Picasa web service
- Image scale
- Cross platform
- Portable

INSTRUCTION

The main window looks like this:



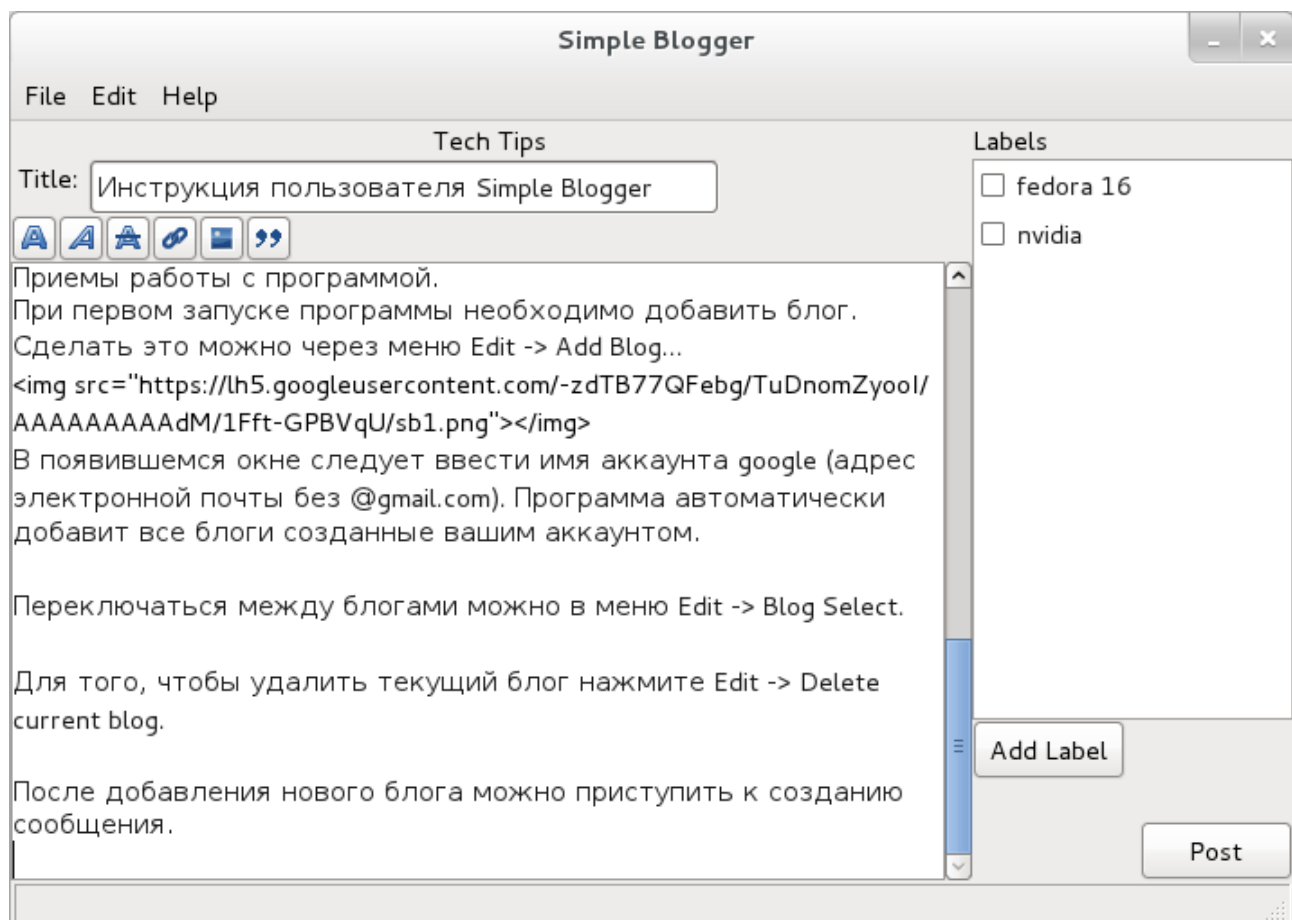
On the first launch, click Edit > Add Blog... Next you should enter Username and Password to your Google account.



If you click Create button, Simple Blogger will add all blogs associated with your account.

You can switch between blogs with a help of menu Edit > Blog Select. If you want to remove current blog, click Edit > Delete current blog.

After you added a new blog, you can create a post.



Below the menu bar is the name of this blog. Below - enter a post header. Even lower – tag insert buttons. Well, almost at the bottom - enter the message. To the right - the list of labels. To post a message in a certain category check a checkbox.

If you want to delete labels, check it and make right mouse click, then press Delete.

To post a message, click Post. If everything is “fine” you will see “Posted.” in the message pane (locates at the bottom).

If you forget to enter a message header or a message text you will see a notification.

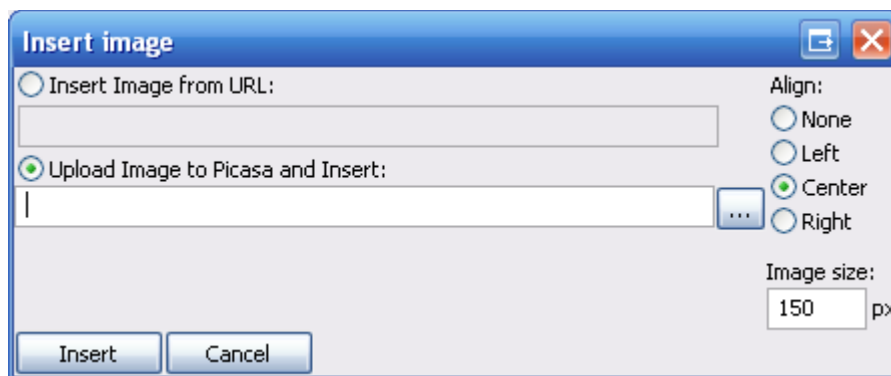
Imagine that you have no time to complete your post. In this situation you can save it as a draft. Just

click File > Save as a draft. The post will be automatically named according to post header, current time and date. By default the draft is saved in application folder ./Draft/. To load a previously saved message, click File > Load a draft...

There are 6 tag buttons (left to right): Bold, Italic, Strike, Link, Image, Quote.

If you select a character set and then, for example, press Bold tag button, tags will be placed in the beginning and in the end of selected character set. If you don't select character set, tags will be placed in current cursor position. The cursor will be located between the opening and closing tags.

Image button works in a different way. It opens next window:



If you have an image already uploaded to any server on the Internet and you know the direct link to it, paste this link in the Image from URL text field and select an alignment. Then click Insert.

If an image is on your PC, you should upload it on the Internet. Click ... button and select the image. Next, select an alignment and image size which fits your template. Don't worry. To see a full sized image just click on image in your browser. To upload the image click Insert button.

If you close an application it will save a window size and position.

You can find out a version and homepage by clicking Help > About.

LANGUAGE

Simple Blogger use English language by default. You can choose your language by clicking Edit > Language.

Also, you can make Simple Blogger translation for your language. To do this, fill ./locale/simpleblogger.pot and send it to me jsnjack@gmail.com

FEEDBACK

I'm interested in making Simple Blogger better. Send me your feedback at jsnjack@gmail.com.