

# Wiki Help

Help pages for wiki.woodbine.nyc

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A wiki (WICK-ee) is a collaboratively edited and managed web site. A typical wiki contains multiple pages that can either be edited by the public or limited to use within an organization. Wikipedia is the most well-known example.

Wikis don't have a default structure, allowing one to emerge according to the needs of the users. We get to collectively define the structure and tone and look of this site.

## Why a wiki?

### User-defined structure

Because of their lack of default structure, a wiki allows a bunch of people to add what's important to them. Sometimes this means multiple people refining a single page, sometimes it means groups of people making pages they care about, which are later tied together into a browsable site.

(TODO: illustrated examples)

### Self-hosted

This wiki is "self-hosted." This differs from depending on commercial services like Google, in that we control many aspects related to privacy and security:

- User data privacy
  - We don't have to share user information, and can collect as little as is necessary to make the site work.
  - We rent server space. We can decide to host the site and site data wherever we want to.