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# Django Public Admin

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A public and read-only version of the [Django Admin](#). A drop-in replacement for Django's native `AdminSite` and `ModelAdmin` for publicly accessible data.



# CHAPTER 1

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## How does it work

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- *public\_admin.sites.PublicApp* wraps Django apps and models you want to make public.
- *public\_admin.sites.PublicAdminSite* works as a clone of Django's native *AdminSite*, but it looks at the HTTP request and the URL to decide whether they should exist in a public and read-only dashboard.
- *public\_admin.admin.PublicModelAdmin* work as a clone of Django's native *ModelAdmin*, but what it does is to stop actions that would create, edit or delete objects.





```
pip install django-public-admin
```

## 2.1 Usage

### 2.1.1 Declare which apps and models you want to make public

Let's say you have a Django app called `my_open_house` with models `Beverage` and `Snack` that you want their data to be public. Use `public_admin.sites.PublicApp` to declare that:

```
from public_admin.sites import PublicApp

public_app = PublicApp("my_open_house", models=("Beverage", "Snack"))
```

### 2.1.2 Create your *Django Public Admin* instance

Just like one would create a regular `admin.py`, you can create a module `public_admin.sites.PublicAdminSite` and `public_admin.admin.PublicModelAdmin`:

```
from public_admin.sites import PublicAdminSite, PublicApp

public_app = PublicApp("my_open_house", models=("beverage", "snack"))
public_admin = PublicAdminSite("dashboard", public_app)
```

The first argument is the name of this site in Django, and the second argument can be a single instance of `public_admin.sites.PublicApp` or a sequence of them.

### 2.1.3 Create and register your `PublicModelAdmin`

```
from public_admin.admin import PublicModelAdmin

from my_open_house.models import Beverage, Snack

class BeverageModelAdmin(PublicModelAdmin):
    # ...

class SnackModelAdmin(PublicModelAdmin):
    # ...

public_admin.register(Beverage, BeverageModelAdmin)
public_admin.register(Snack, SnackModelAdmin)
```

### 2.1.4 Add your *Django Public Admin* URLs

In your `urls.py`, import the `public_admin` (or whatever you've named it earlier) in your URLs file and create the endpoints:

```
from django.urls import path

from my_website.my_open_house.admin import public_admin

urlpatterns = [
    # ...
    path("dashboard/", public_admin.urls)
]
```

### 2.1.5 Templates

*Django Public Admin* comes with a template that hides from the UI elements related to non-logged-in users (elements such as login and logout links, recent actions panel, etc.). These templates are designed in a way to preserve the behavior of a regular instance of Django's native admin for logged-in users. To use it, add `"public_admin"` to your `INSTALLED_APPS` **before** `django.contrib.admin`:

```
INSTALLED_APPS = [
    "public_admin",
    "django.contrib.admin",
    # ...
]
```

**If you decide not to use this template**, you have to create your own `templates/admin/base.html` file to avoid errors when rendering the template. Django will fail, for example, in rendering URLs that do not exist, which would be the case for login and logout.

## 2.2 Example

There is an example app in [Django Public Admin repository](#), inside the `example/` directory. This example is meant to be a straightforward use case, having *Django's native admin* running in parallel with *Django Public Admin*.

### 2.2.1 Requirements

- Git
- Python 3.6 or newer with [Poetry](#) (or other [PEP 517](#) *pyproject.toml* compatible tool)

### 2.2.2 Running the example

First, clone the repository and install the dependencies:

```
git clone https://github.com/cuducos/django-public-admin.git
poetry install
```

Then start the application:

```
poetry run python example/manage.py runexample
```

The `runexample` command is a wrapper around Django's native `runserver`. It creates a temporary SQLite database, run migrations, creates a superuser, and collects static files *automagically* before spinning up the development server. If you are having trouble with this command, you can try to delete all these temporary files with `poetry run python manage.py cleanexample`.

Once the application is up and running, you can:

- Access the *Django's native admin*, **password protected** (username is `admin` and password is also `admin`) at `localhost:8000/admin`
- Access the *Django Public Admin*, with **no login needed** at `localhost:8000/dashboard`

You can add and edit data at `admin/`, while non-logged-in users can browse data at `dashboard/` with all the filters and perks of a Django Admin instance!

## 2.3 API

**class** `public_admin.sites.PublicApp` (*name*, *models*)

Holds the permission strings for each model in a Django app. *name* should be the name of a Django app as string, and *models* should be a sequence of strings with the name of the models to allowed in a public admin.

**class** `public_admin.sites.DummyUser` (*public\_apps*, *\*args*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Mimics the Django's native *AnonymousUser* injecting permissions to view objects from certain Django apps and models. 'pubic\_apps' should be a sequence of instances of `public_admin.sites.PublicApp`.

**has\_module\_perms** (*app\_label*)

Only grant permission if the *app* was passed as a `public_admin.sites.PublicApp`.

**has\_perm** (*permission*, *obj=None*)

Only grant permission if the app and model were passed in a `public_admin.sites.PublicApp`.

```
class public_admin.sites.PublicAdminSite (name='public_admin', public_apps=())
    Mimics the Django's native AdminSite but removing URLs and permissions that does not match the idea of a
    public admin. name is the name of this admin site (the string Django uses to build the URL names, for example),
    and pubic_apps can be one instance of public_admin.sites.PublicApp or a sequence of them.

    admin_view (view, cacheable=False)
        Injects the public_admin.sites.DummyUser in every request in this admin site.

    has_permission (request)
        Blocks all non-GET requests.

    urls
        List the URLs in this admin site.

    static valid_url (url)
        This method removes URLs based on their path.
```

```
class public_admin.admin.PublicModelAdmin (model, admin_site)
    This mimics the Django's native ModelAdmin but filters URLs that should not exist in a public admin, and deals
    with request-based permissions.

    get_urls ()
        Filter out the URLs that should not exist in a public admin.

    has_add_permission (request)
        Denies permission to any request trying to add new objects.

    has_change_permission (request, obj=None)
        Denies permission to any request trying to change objects.

    has_delete_permission (request, obj=None)
        Denies permission to any request trying to delete objects.

    has_view_permission (request, obj=None)
        Only allows view requests if the method is GET
```

## CHAPTER 3

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