How to open a photo/image of your WordPress site in lightbox

You can use the Lightbox Ultimate plugin to open any embedded image on your WordPress site using the lightbox effect.

1. Create a new post/page and click the Add Media button



2. Upload your image. Make sure that it points to the **Media File** URL (The actual image file which will open in lightbox)



The size refers to the image that will be embedded into the post/page. So I set it to **Thumbnail 150x150**. But it's totally up to you. Click **Insert into page** when you are done.

3. Select the image you just embedded and click edit



4. This will open a window where you can customize the image. Switch to the **Advanced Settings** tab.



5. Specify the **Link Rel** (Under **Adanced Link Settings**) to trigger lightbox in a particular style

Advanced Link Settings

| Title | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Link Rel | wp_lightbox_prettyPhoto |
| CSS Class | |
| Styles | |
| Target | Open link in a new window \Box |
| Update Cancel | |

Currently there are three popup styles in our plugin:

a) prettyPhoto popup

You will need to specify the following in the Link Rel field:

wp_lightbox_prettyPhoto

This style requires "Enable prettyPhoto" option checked in the Lightbox Ultimate settings.

b) Colorbox Popup

You will need to specify the following in the Link Rel field:

wp_lightbox_colorbox_image

This style requires "Enable ColorBox" option checked in the Lightbox Ultimate settings.

c) Fancybox Popup

You will need to specify the following in the Link Rel field:

wp_lightbox_fancybox_image

This style requires "Enable Fancybox" option checked in the Lightbox Ultimate settings.

6. Click **Update** to save the settings.

Now if you click the thumbnail on the front end it will open the full image in lightbox:



Advanced Usage

You don't need to use the following if the above option is working for you.

If you are comfortable with customizing HTML you can apply this tweak to trigger the lightbox effect. For example:

1. Your current Image

2. Change it to one of the following depending on which lightbox effect you want:

For prettyPhoto lightbox Popup

For ColorBox lightbox Popup

For Fancybox lightbox Popup

