

BG-Map TechNote

Adding 360 Degree Videos to BG-Map Web-VQF

About the 360 Degree Videos

360 Degree Videos provide the web visitor with an enhanced experience, allowing panning around to see the view in any direction. [Here's an example](#), a 360 degree video shot at Kew Gardens:

Thanks to the availability of low cost 360 degree cameras, gardens can easily add 360 degree videos to their Garden Features and Tours to add excitement and interest to their Web-VQF sites.

Just a few steps are required to add 360 videos to your site:

- ❖ Obtain a 360 degree camera.
- ❖ Shoot the video.
- ❖ Upload it to YouTube.
- ❖ Enroll the video in BG-Map.

Available 360 Cameras

A number of 360 cameras are currently available, ranging in price from \$200.00 to \$500.00. [Here's a sampling](#):

When choosing a camera make certain that it can shoot in a format that is compatible with YouTube.

Uploading Your Video to YouTube

Uploading your video is a simple process. Here's [a tutorial from YouTube](#).

Enrolling Your Video in BG-Map

You can link your video to any Garden Feature or Tour in Web-VQF. Here's how:

- ❖ Open the video in YouTube.
Click the "Share" button. YouTube will display a link in the "Link to this video" box.
- ❖ Copy this link to your clipboard.
- ❖ Open the Garden Feature or Tour in BG-Map Web-VQF setup.
- ❖ Paste the link into the "YouTube Link" box.
- ❖ If your site does not use "https" protocol, i.e. if the pages on your site start with "http" instead of "https", edit the link to start with "http" instead of "https."
- ❖ Save the Garden Feature or Tour.

That's it. Your 360 video will now appear online.

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