



Google Sitemap

Installation

Step-by-step Instruction

WordPress version:

3.8 *

Google Sitemap version:

2.8.6 *

* When using other versions some differences are possible to occur

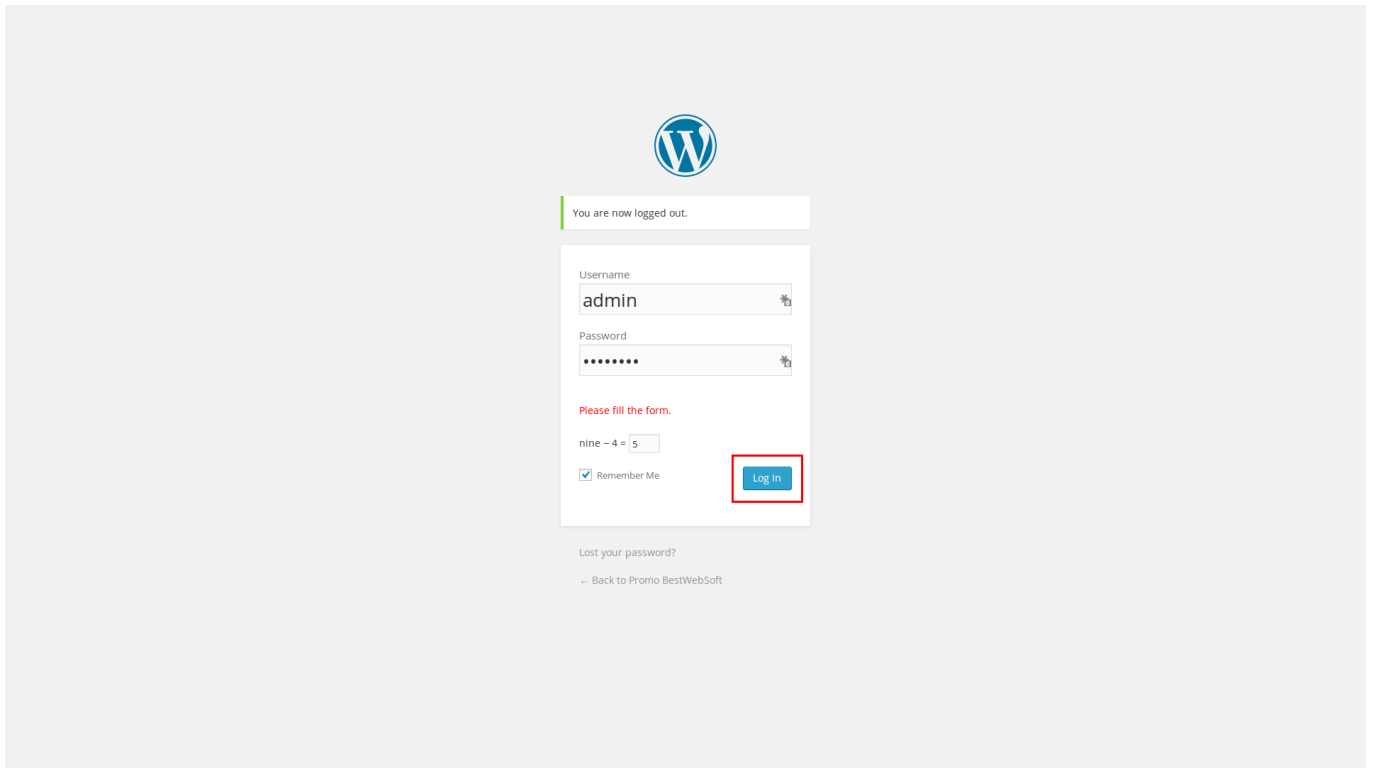
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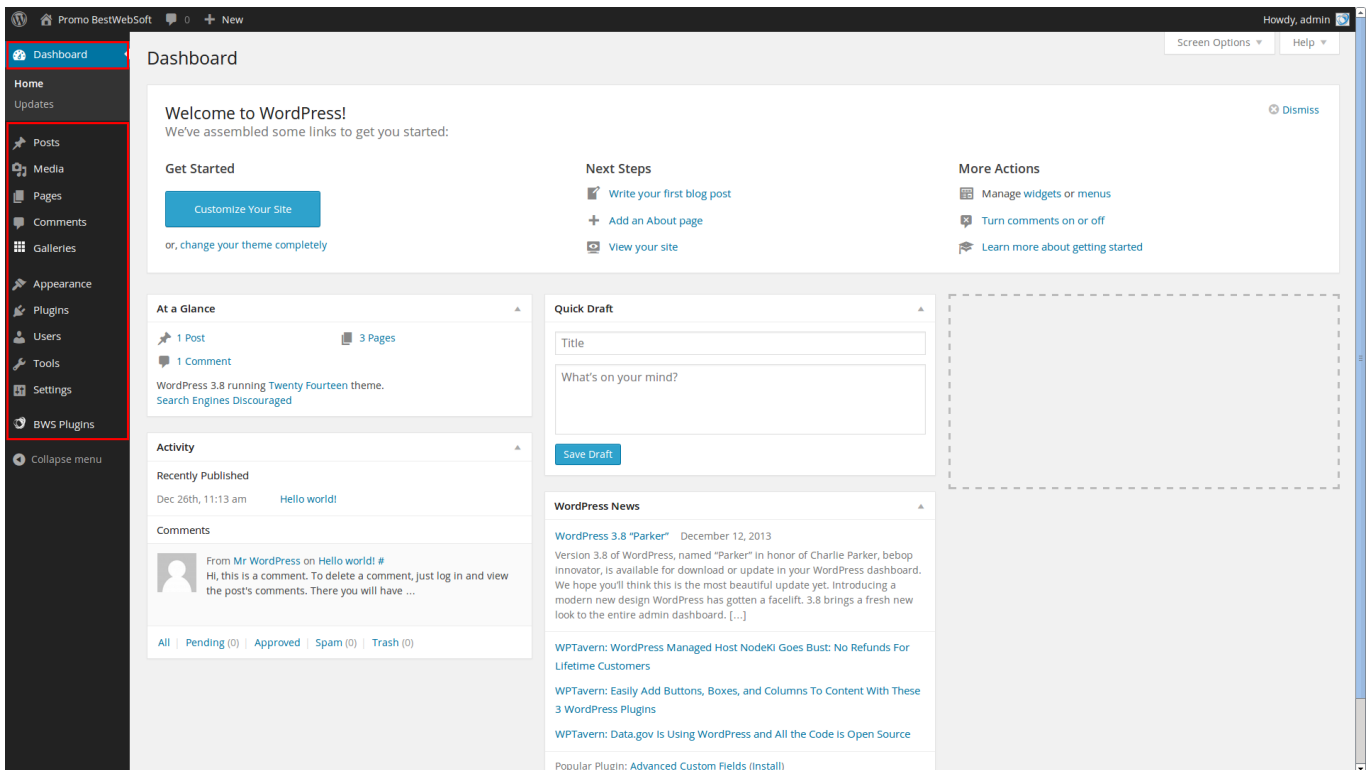
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1. How to install Google Sitemap Plugin from your dashboard.

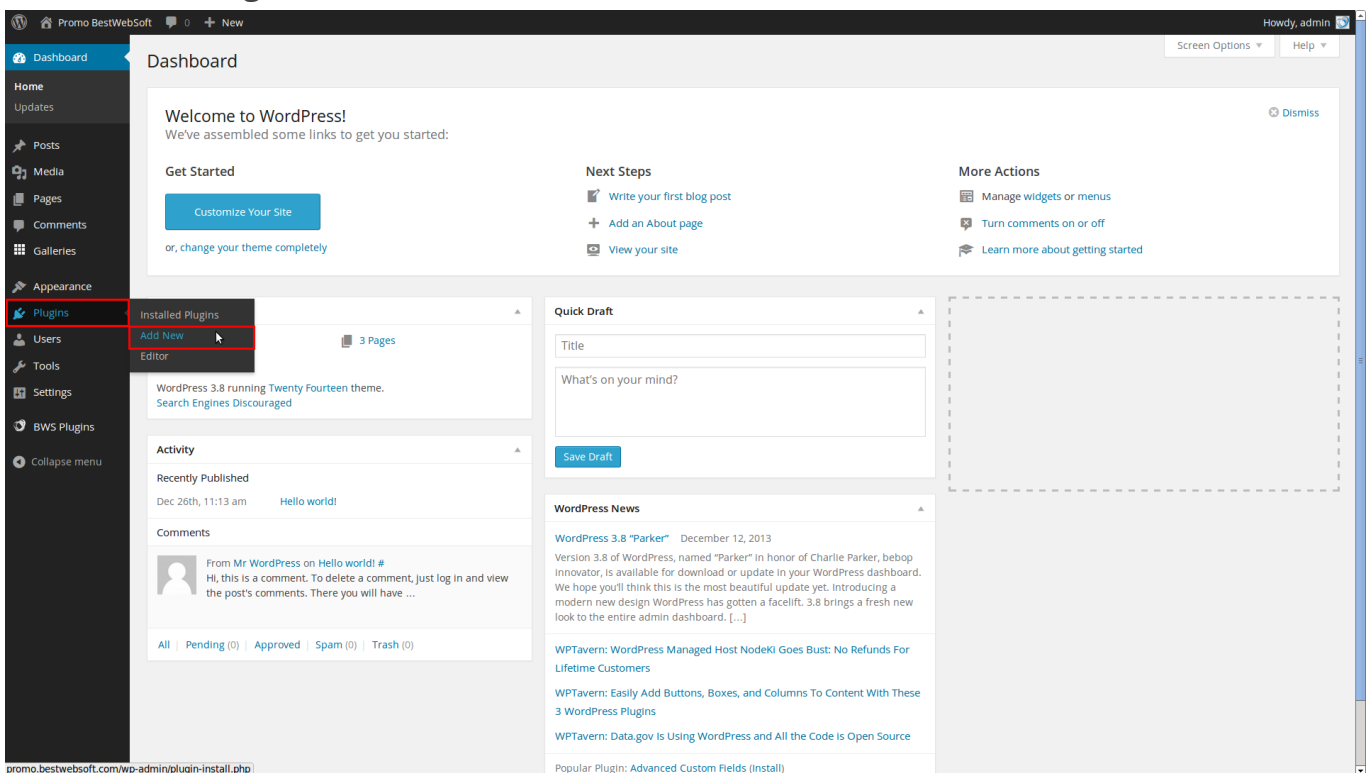
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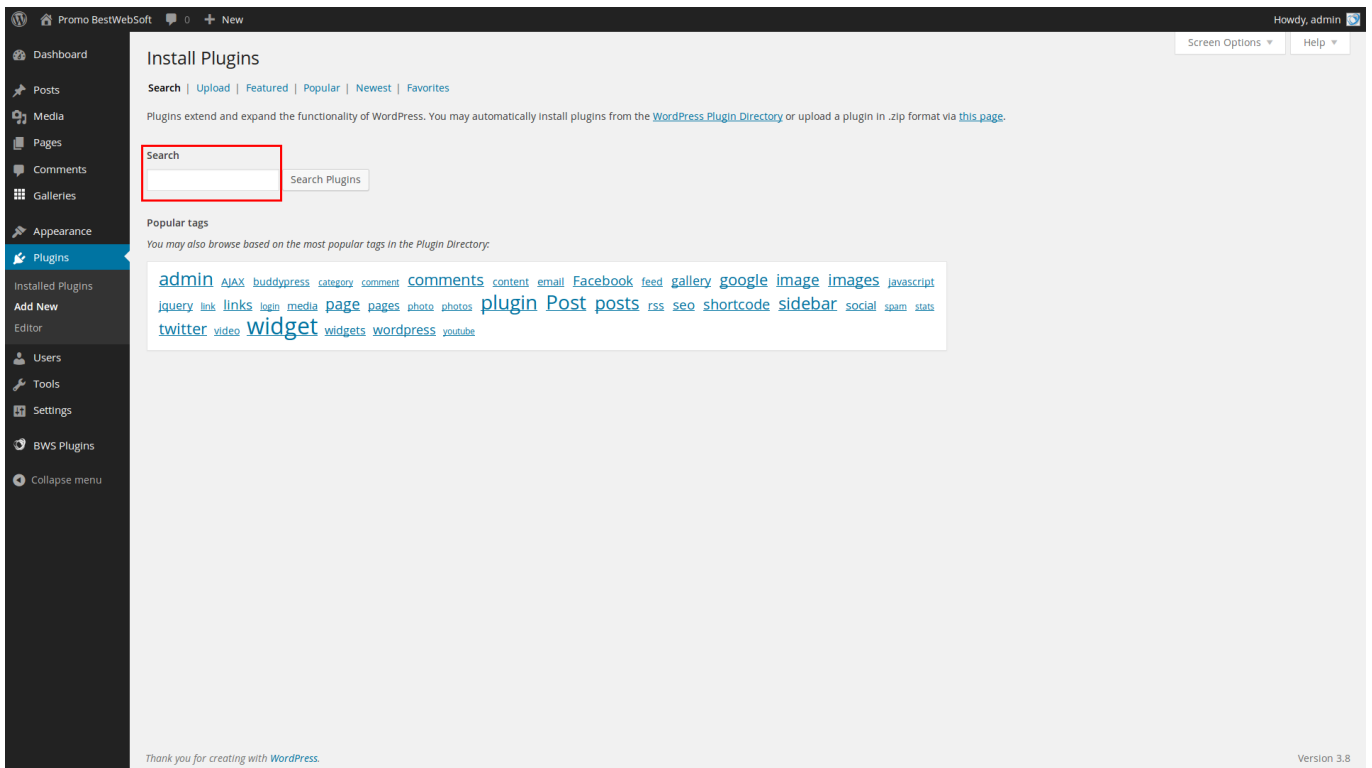
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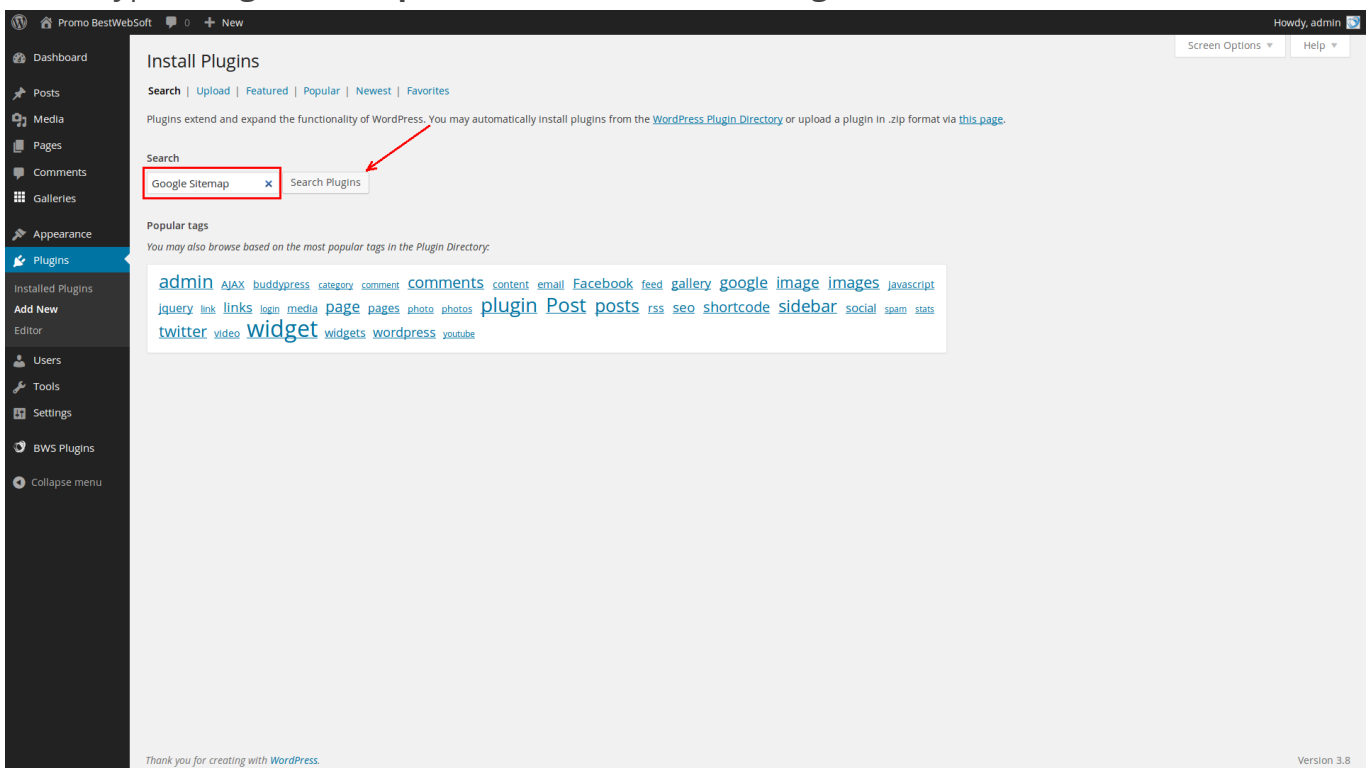
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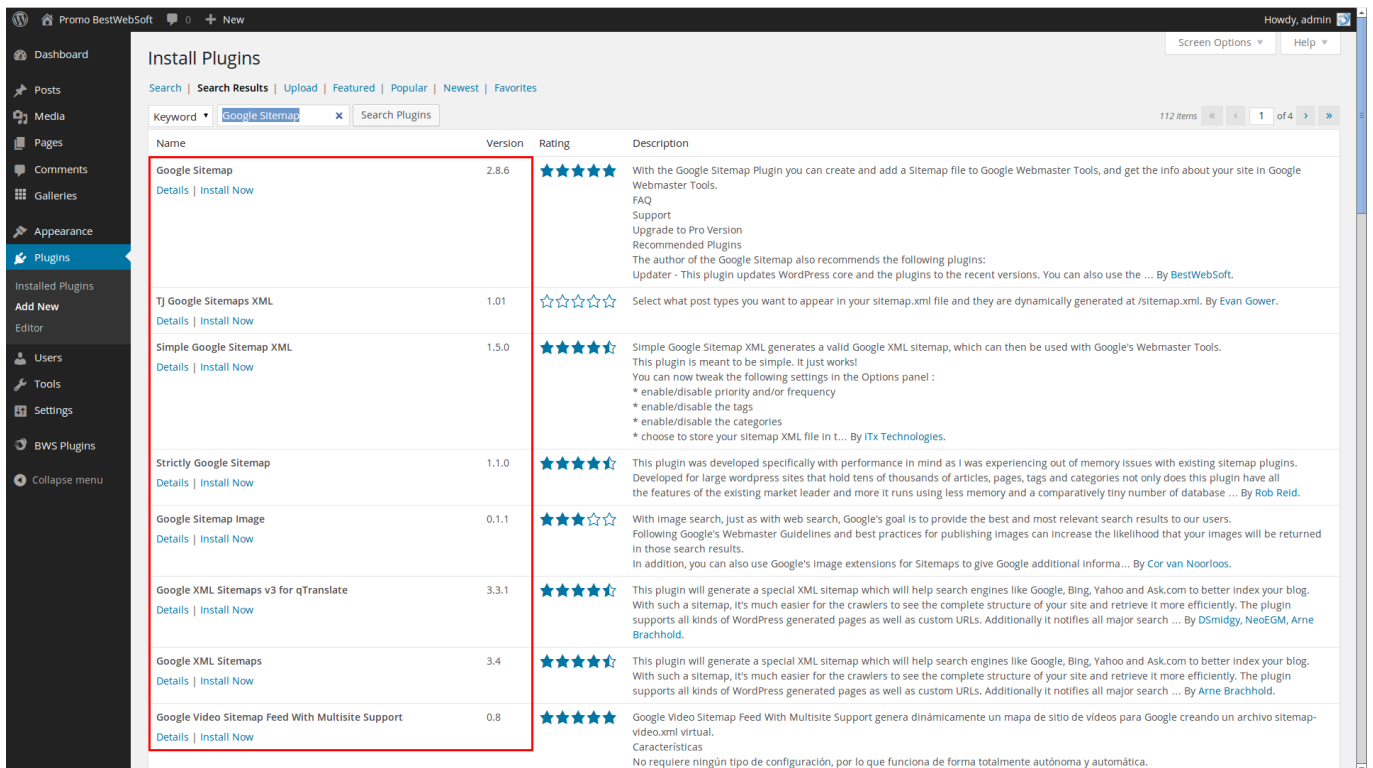
4. Find the **Search** field.



5. Type **“Google Sitemap”** there and click **“Search Plugins”**.



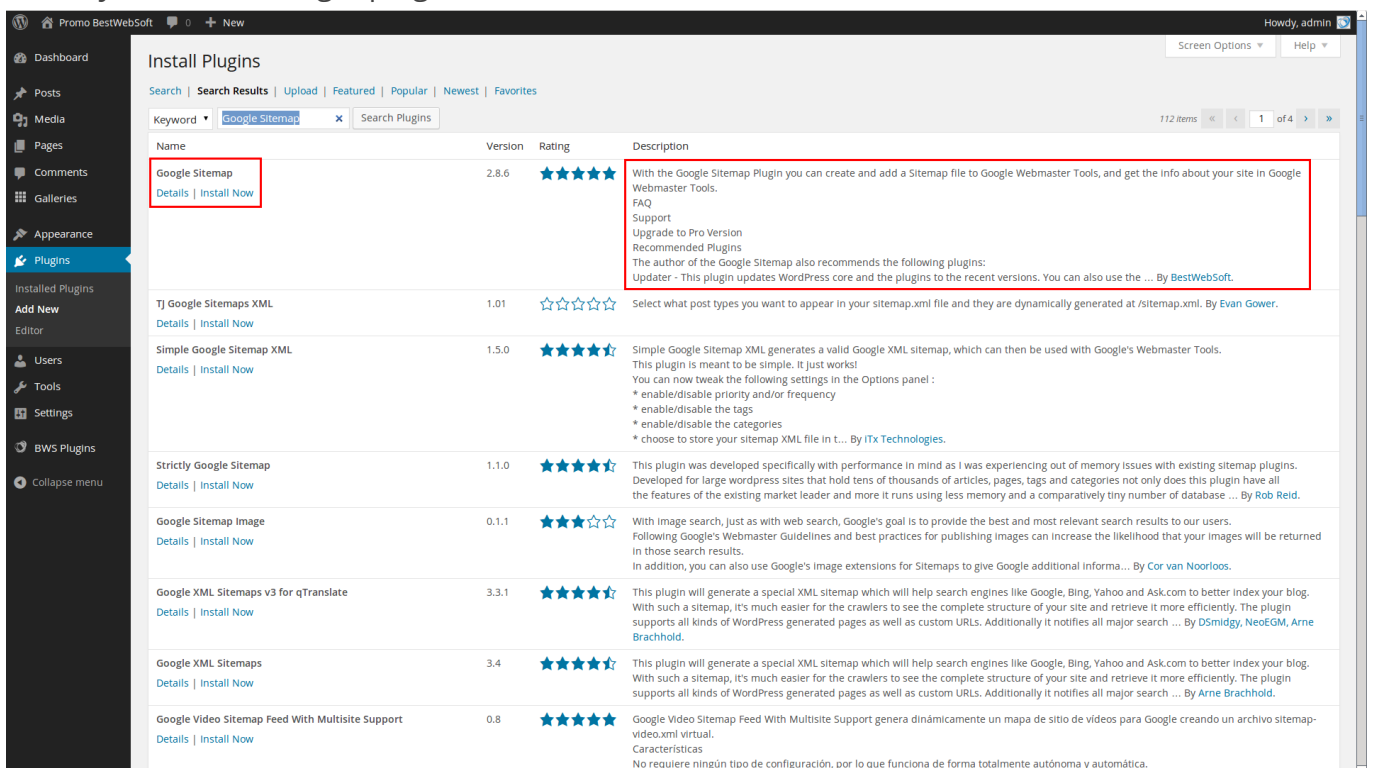
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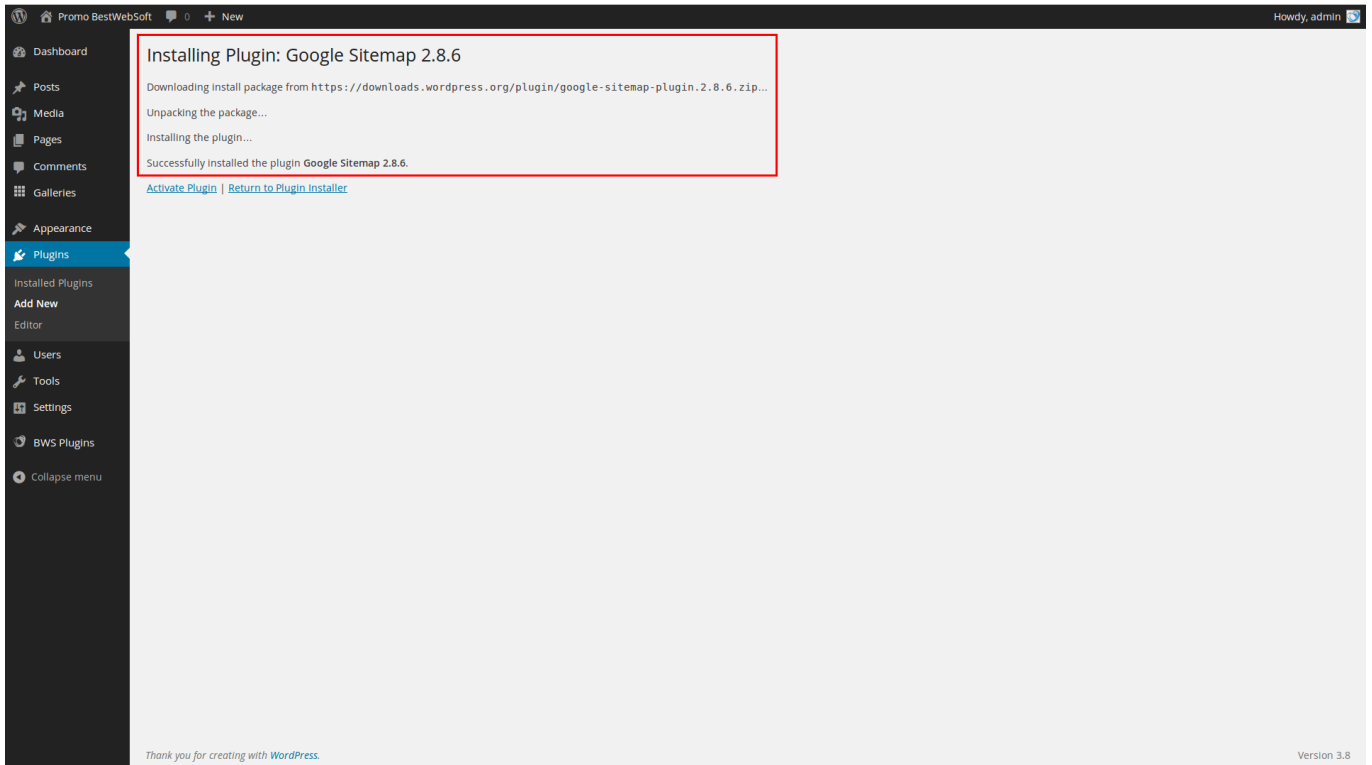
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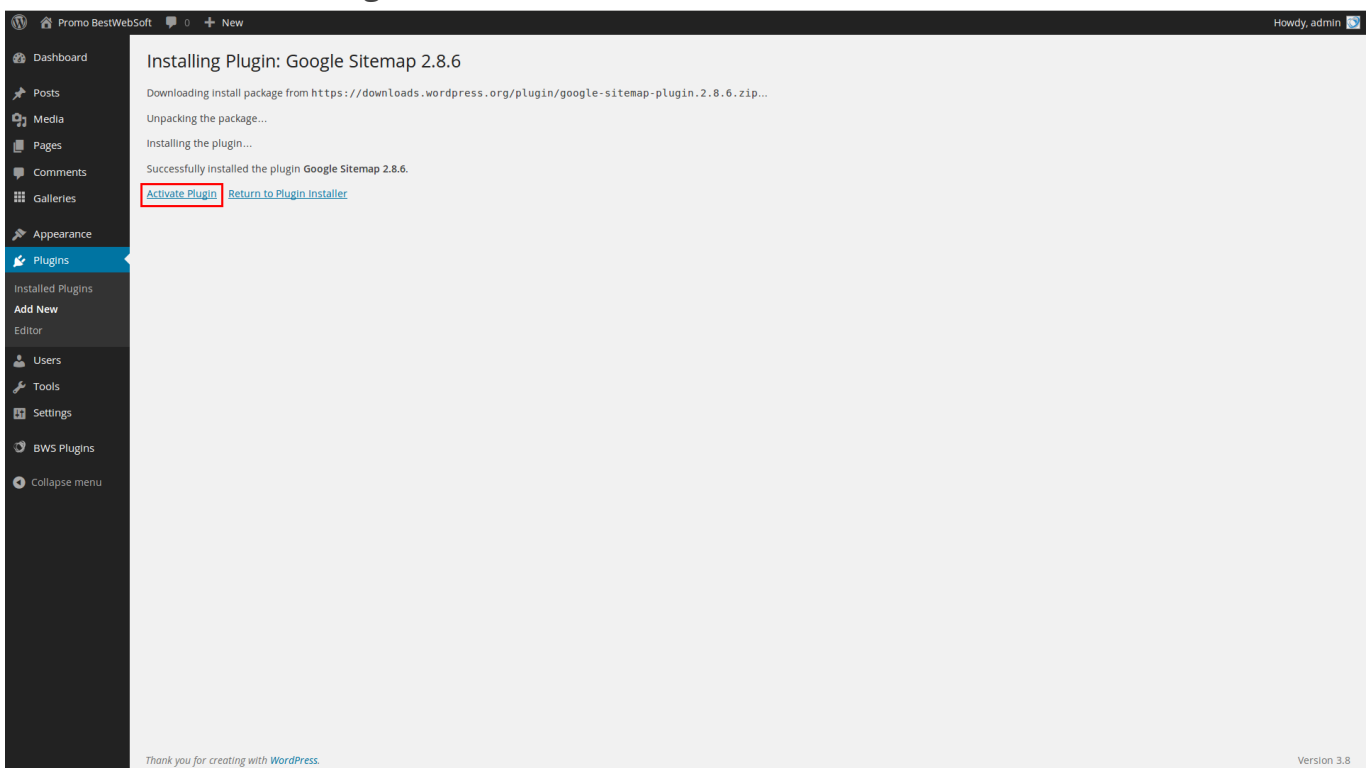
9. A popup window will ask you to confirm your wish to install the Plugin. Click "OK".

The screenshot shows the same 'Install Plugins' page as before, but with a confirmation popup window overlaid. The popup asks 'Are you sure you want to install this plugin?' and has 'Cancel' and 'OK' buttons. The 'OK' button is highlighted with a red box. In the background, the 'Google Sitemap' plugin's 'Install Now' link is still visible and highlighted with a yellow box.

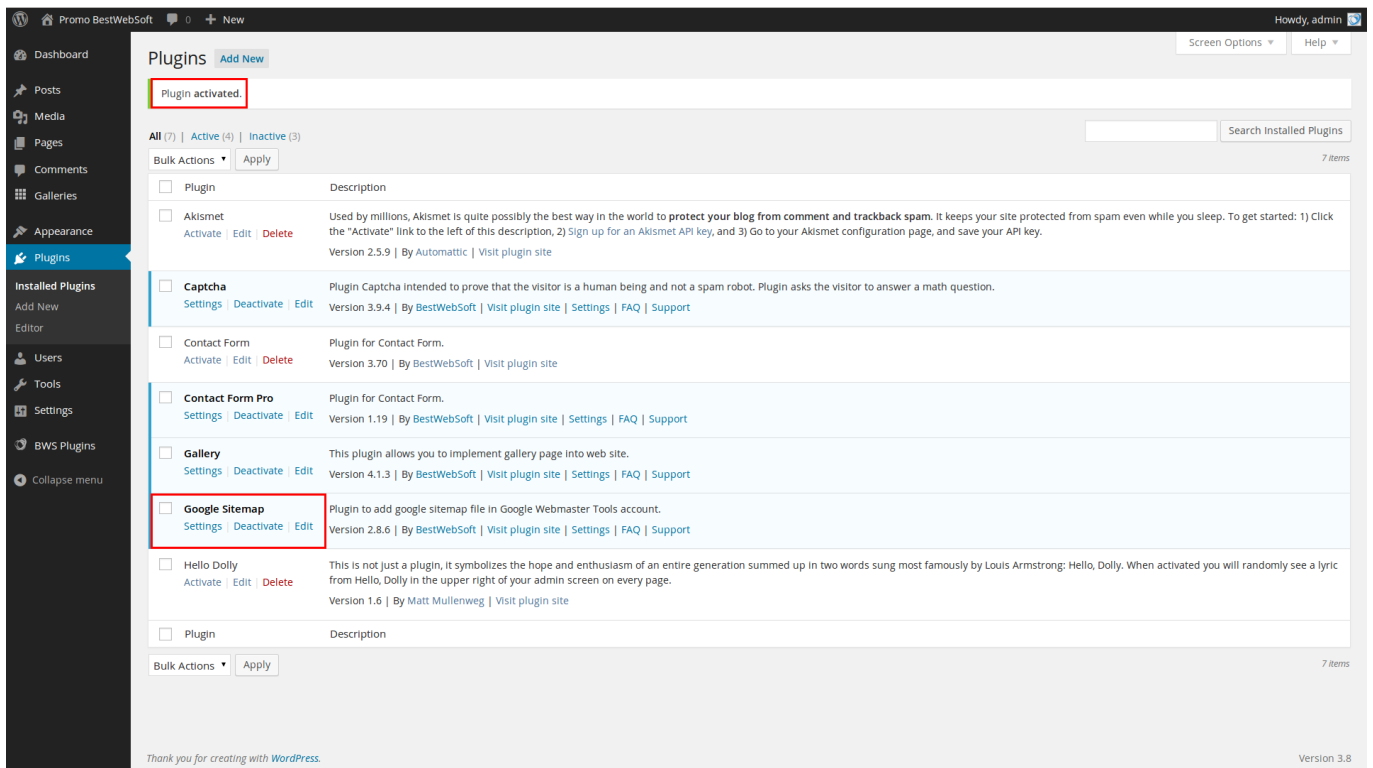
10. The resulting installation screen will list the installation as successful or note any problems during the install.



11. Click "Activate Plugin".



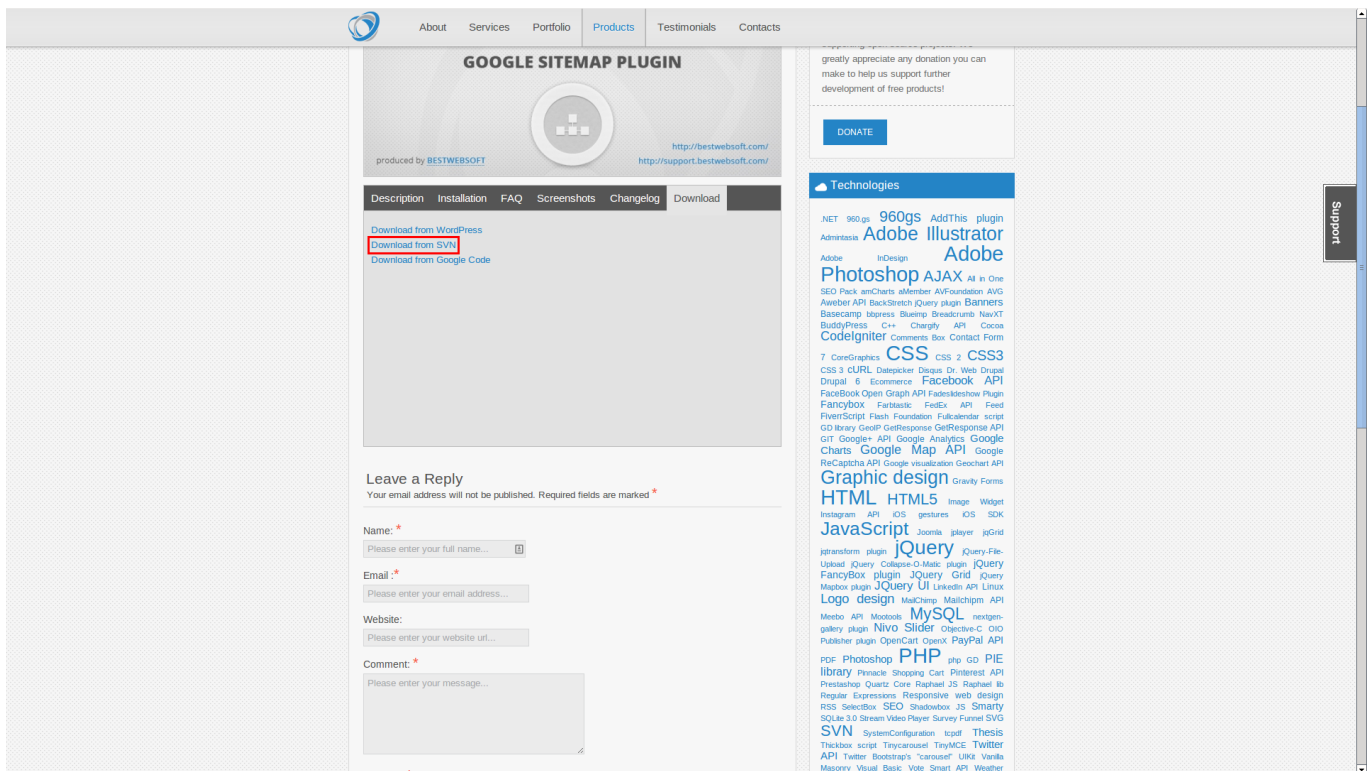
12. Voila - Google Sitemap is activated! It will appear in the list of Installed Plugins.



The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard's 'Plugins' page. A red box highlights the 'Plugin activated.' message at the top. Below it, the 'Google Sitemap' plugin is listed as 'Active'. The plugin's description states: 'Plugin to add google sitemap file in Google Webmaster Tools account. Version 2.8.6 | By BestWebSoft | Visit plugin site | Settings | FAQ | Support'. The left sidebar shows the 'Plugins' menu item is selected. The bottom of the page includes the text 'Thank you for creating with WordPress.' and 'Version 3.8'.

2. How to install Google Sitemap Plugin from the developers' site manually

1. Go to <http://bestwebsoft.com/plugin/google-sitemap-plugin/#download> and click "Download from SVN"



2. You will see the list of plugin's versions:

bws_public_download - Revision 159: /wp_plugins/google_sitemap_plugin

- ..
- [google-sitemap-plugin.2.4.zip](#)
- [google-sitemap-plugin.2.5.zip](#)
- [google-sitemap-plugin.2.6.zip](#)
- [google-sitemap-plugin.2.7.zip](#)
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3. Select the one you need or the latest one:

bws_public_download - Revision 159: /wp_plugins/google_sitemap_plugin

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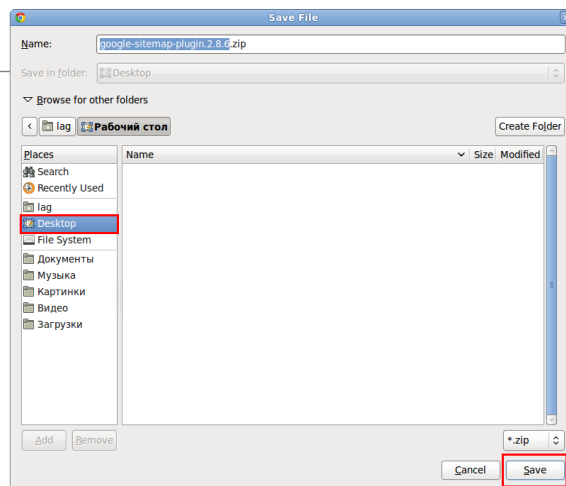
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4. A popup window will suggest the place to save. Select Desktop and click **"Save"**:

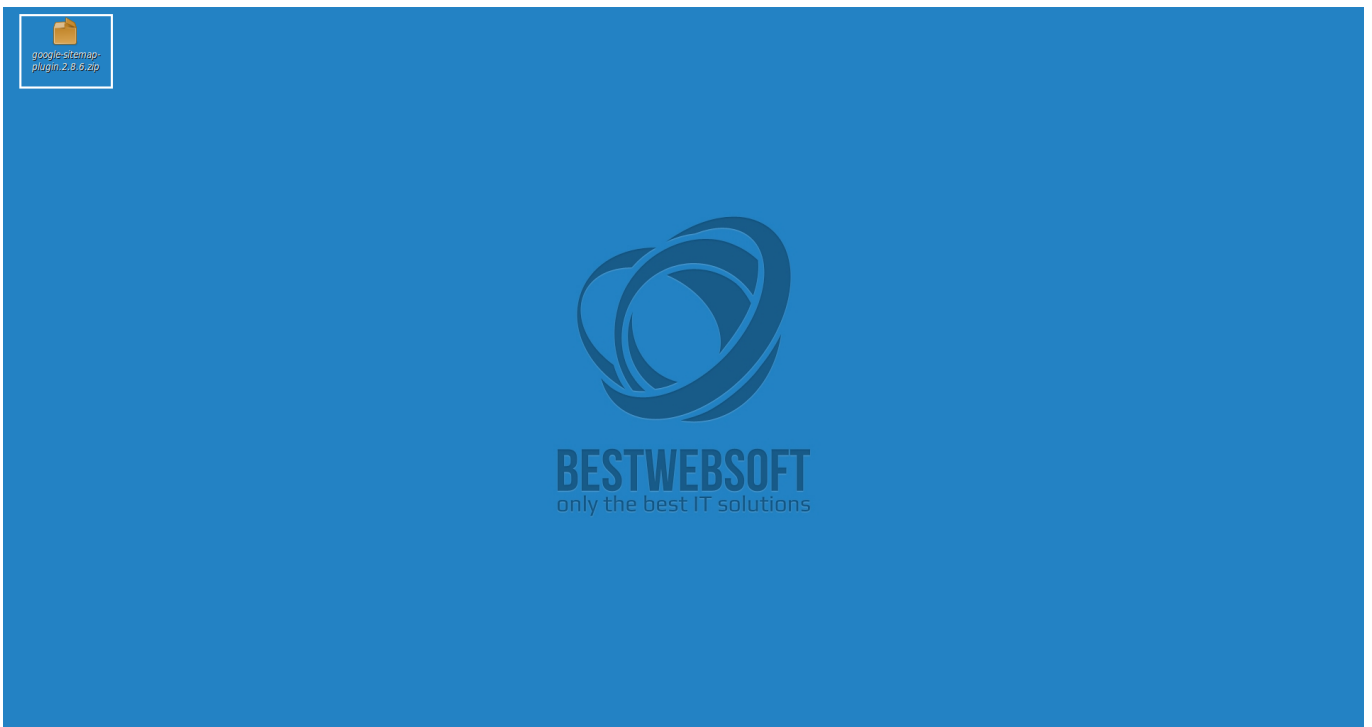
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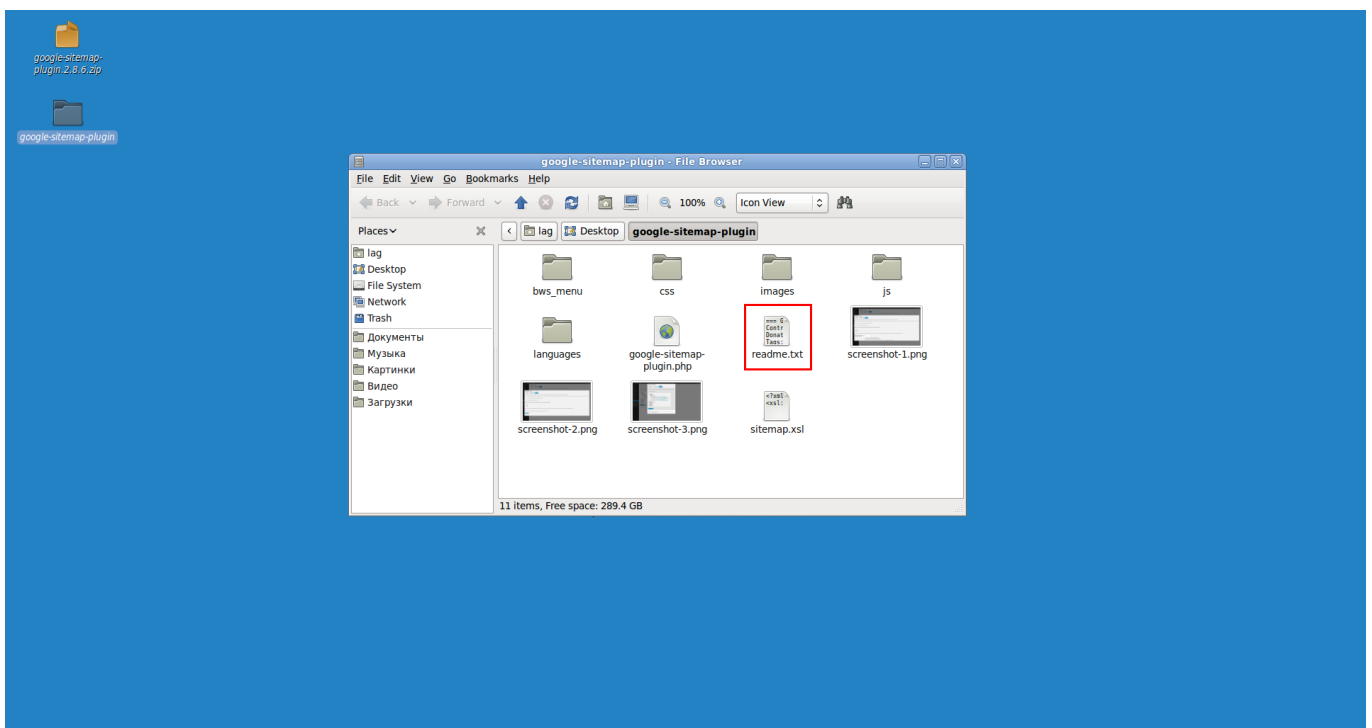
5. Make sure that the zip-file has appeared on your desktop.



6. Extract the Plugin folder to your desktop.



7. Read through the "**readme**" file thoroughly to insure you follow the installation instructions.



If you notice any bugs in the plugins, you can notify us about it and we'll investigate and fix the issue then. Your request should contain URL of the website, issues description and WordPress admin panel credentials. Moreover we can customize the plugin according to your requirements. It's a paid service (as a rule it costs \$40, but the price can vary depending on the amount of the necessary changes and their complexity). Please note that we could also include this or that feature (developed for you) in the next release and share with the other users then. We can fix some things for free for the users who provide translation of our plugin into their native language (this should be a new translation of a certain plugin, you can check available translations on the official plugin page).

== Installation ==

1. Upload the folder 'google-sitemap-plugin' to the directory '/wp-content/plugins/'.
2. Activate the plugin via the 'Plugins' menu in WordPress.
3. The site settings are available in "BWS Plugins" -> "Google Sitemap".

== Frequently Asked Questions ==

= How can I use this plugin? =

After opening the plugin settings page your Sitemap file will be created automatically. If you already have a Sitemap file and do not want to change it, just do not check off the field "I want to create a new sitemap file". If you do not want a Sitemap file to be added to Google Webmaster Tools automatically, just follow the brief instruction. In another case you should enter your login and password and choose the necessary action. In order to add a path to your sitemap file in robots.txt you do not need to enter login and password, you should just select the necessary field and click "Update button". If you're using multisiting, the plugin does not allow to add a sitemap to robots.txt

= How to create sitemap.xml file? =

After opening the Settings page the sitemap.xml file will be created automatically in the site root.

= How to replace the existing sitemap.xml file? =

Select "I want to create a new sitemap file" and click "Update", the sitemap file will be recreated then.

= How to add a site to Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to add this site to Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update". Your site will be added to Google Webmaster Tools and verified, afterwards your sitemap file will be added.

= How can I remove a site from Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to delete this site from Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update".

= How can I get information about my site in Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to get info about this site in Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update".

= How can I deactivate the plugin? =

In the WordPress admin panel please go to "Plugins", find the Google Sitemap and click "Deactivate".

== Screenshots ==

1. Google Sitemap Settings page.
2. Google Sitemap Settings page on the hosting which doesn't support cURL.
3. Google Sitemap Extra Settings page.

== Changelog ==

= V2.8.6 - 16.01.2014 =

- * Bugfix : Bug related on The link which get's added to the robots.txt was fixed.
- * Update : Style of the sitemap file was updated.

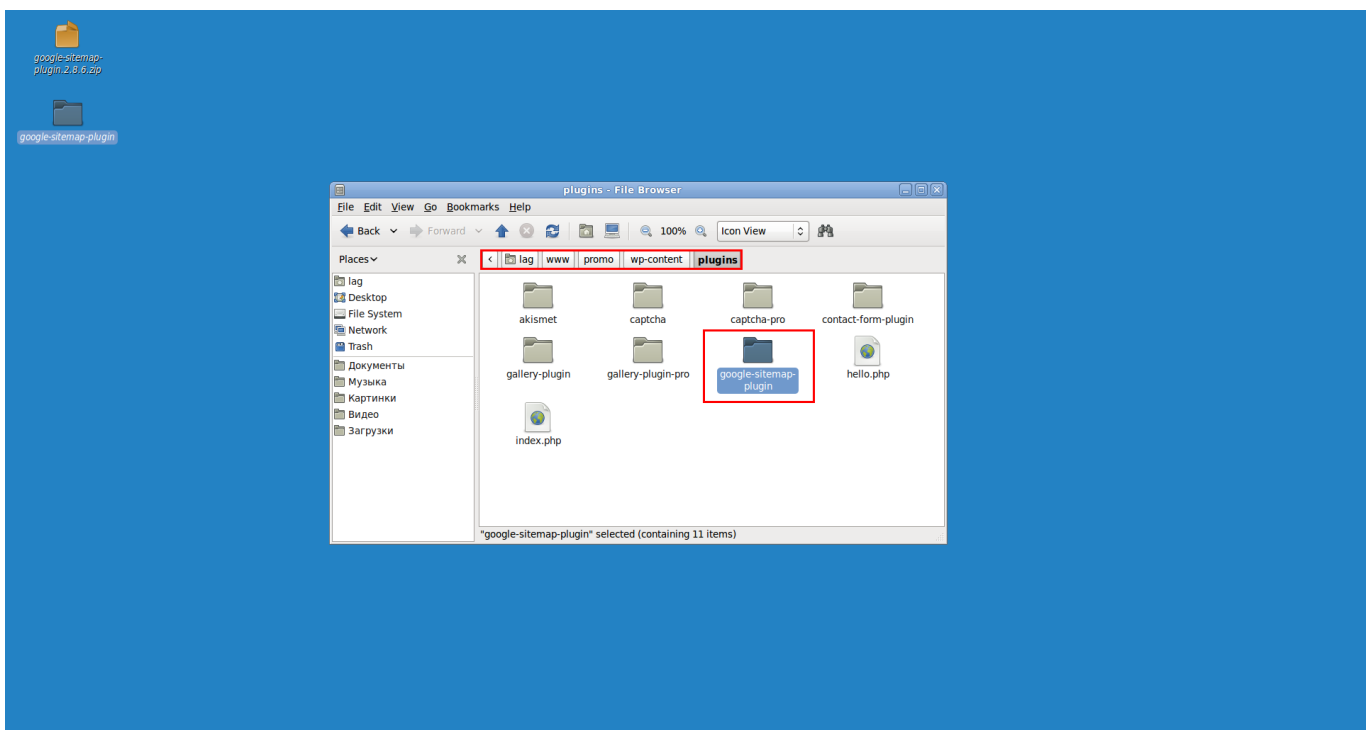
= V2.8.5 - 13.01.2014 =

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- * Update : Screenshots was updated.

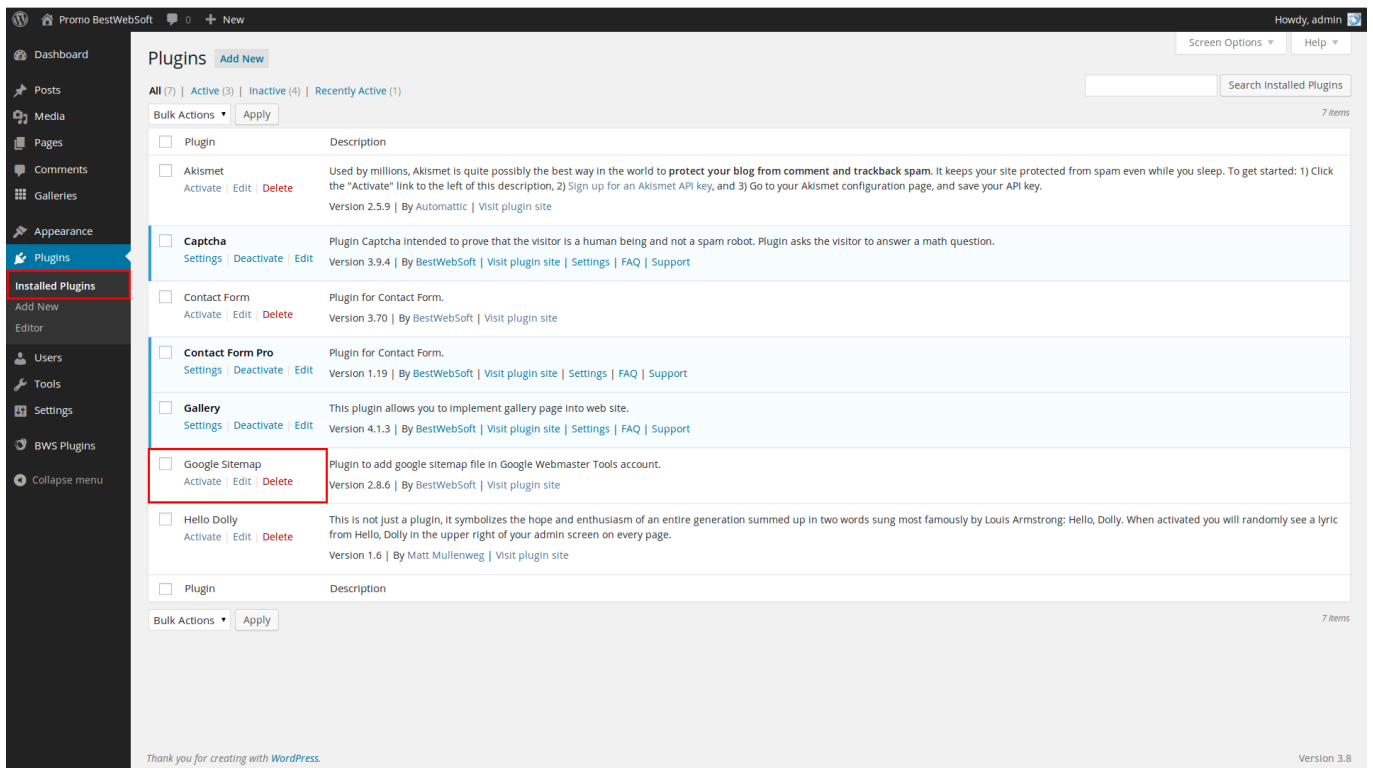
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- * NEW : Installed wordpress version checking was added.

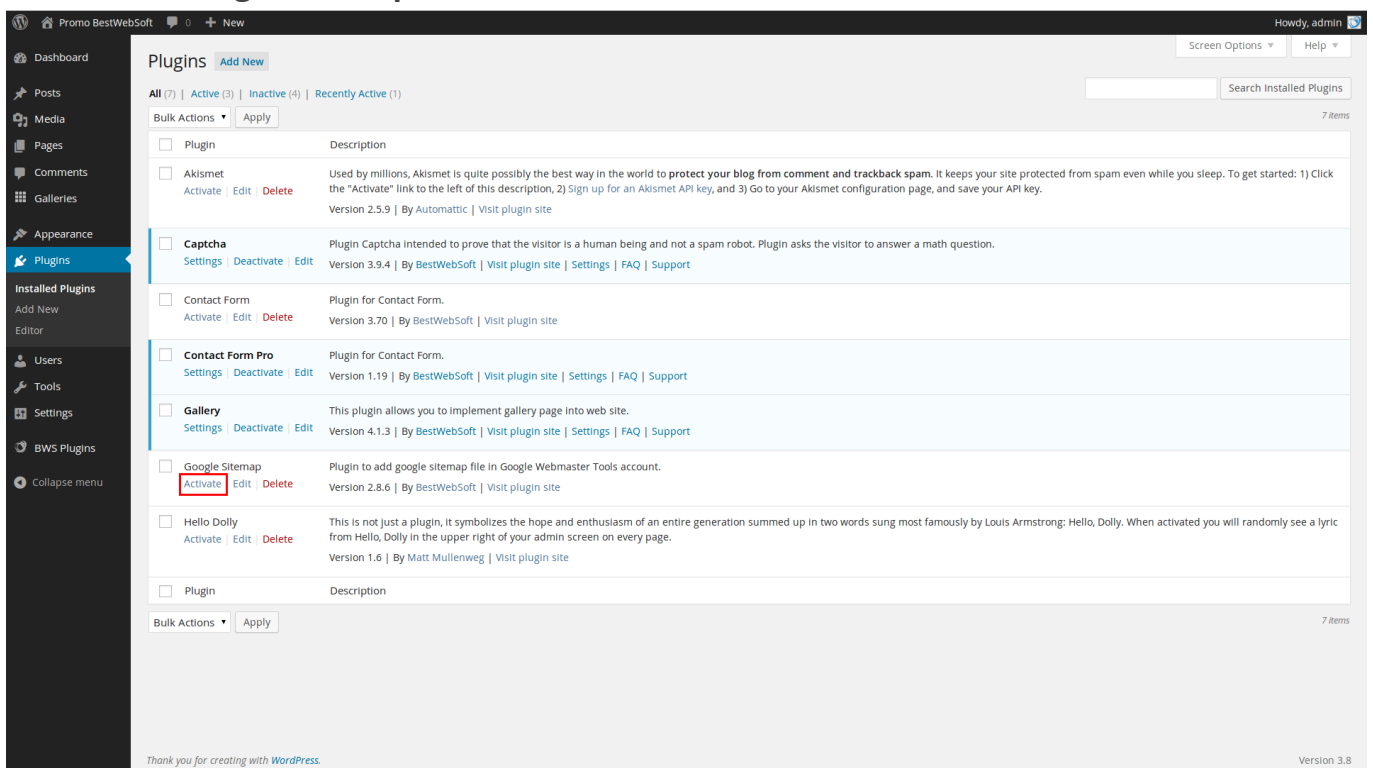
8. With your FTP program upload the Google Sitemap folder to the **/wp-content/plugins/** folder in your Wordpress directory online.



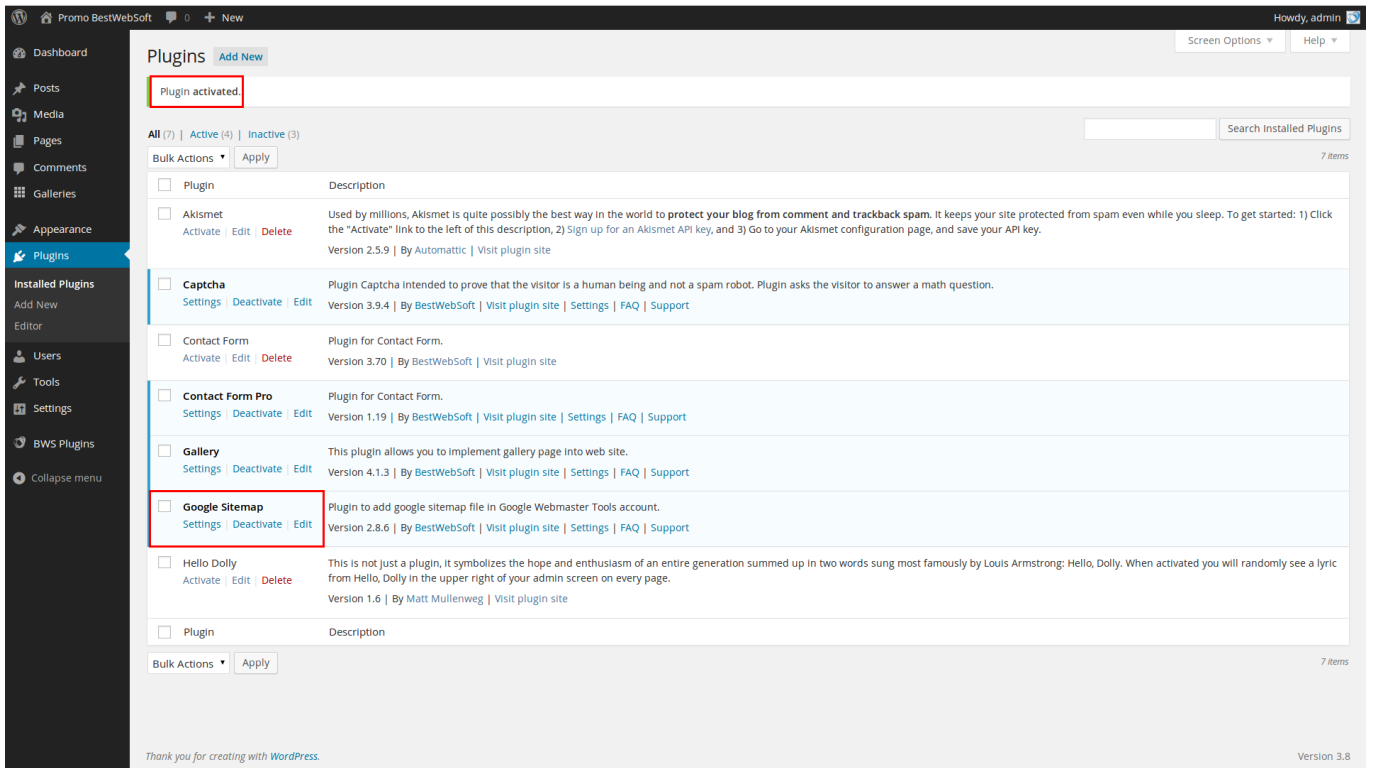
9. Find the plugins menu on your left and click **“Installed plugins”**. You will see a list of installed plugins:



10. Find **“Google Sitemap”** and click **“Activate”**.



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Plugins [Add New](#)

Plugin activated

All (7) | **Active (4)** | **Inactive (3)**

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Plugin	Description
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☐ Captcha Settings Deactivate Edit	Plugin Captcha intended to prove that the visitor is a human being and not a spam robot. Plugin asks the visitor to answer a math question. Version 3.9.4 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
☐ Contact Form Activate Edit Delete	Plugin for Contact Form. Version 3.70 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site
☐ Contact Form Pro Settings Deactivate Edit	Plugin for Contact Form. Version 1.19 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
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3. How to install Google Sitemap Plugin from wordpress.org

1. Go to <http://wordpress.org/plugins/google-sitemap-plugin/> and click "Download version 2.8.6" (always the latest one is available)



The screenshot shows the WordPress.org plugin directory page for the Google Sitemap plugin. The page layout includes a top navigation bar with the WordPress logo and links to Showcase, Themes, Plugins, Mobile, Support, Get Involved, About, Blog, and Hosting. A search bar is also present. Below the navigation bar, the page title is "Plugin Directory" and a welcome message is displayed. The main content area features a large banner for the Google Sitemap plugin, produced by BESTWEBSOFT. The banner includes the plugin name, a description, and a prominent "Download Version 2.8.6" button highlighted with a red rectangle. To the left of the main content, there is a sidebar with links to Extending WordPress, Plugins, Themes, Mobile, Ideas, and Kvetch!. Below the sidebar, there is a "Search Plugins" section and a "Popular Tags" list. The main content area also includes a "Description" tab, a "Brief Overview" video player, and a "Ratings" section showing a 4.9 out of 5 stars rating.

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- Post (2,420)
- plugin (2,308)
- admin (1,914)
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- sidebar (1,569)
- twitter (1,305)
- google (1,304)
- comments (1,289)
- images (1,244)
- page (1,201)
- image (1,114)
- links (972)

Google Sitemap

produced by BESTWEBSOFT

<http://bestwebsoft.com/>
<http://support.bestwebsoft.com/>

This plugin allows you to add a Sitemap file to Google Webmaster Tools.

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With the Google Sitemap Plugin you can create and add a Sitemap file to Google Webmaster Tools, and get the info about your site in Google Webmaster Tools.

Google Sitemap WordPress Plugin - Brief Overview

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Requires: 3.0 or higher
Compatible up to: 3.8
Last Updated: 2014-1-16
Downloads: 395,631

Ratings

4.9 out of 5 stars

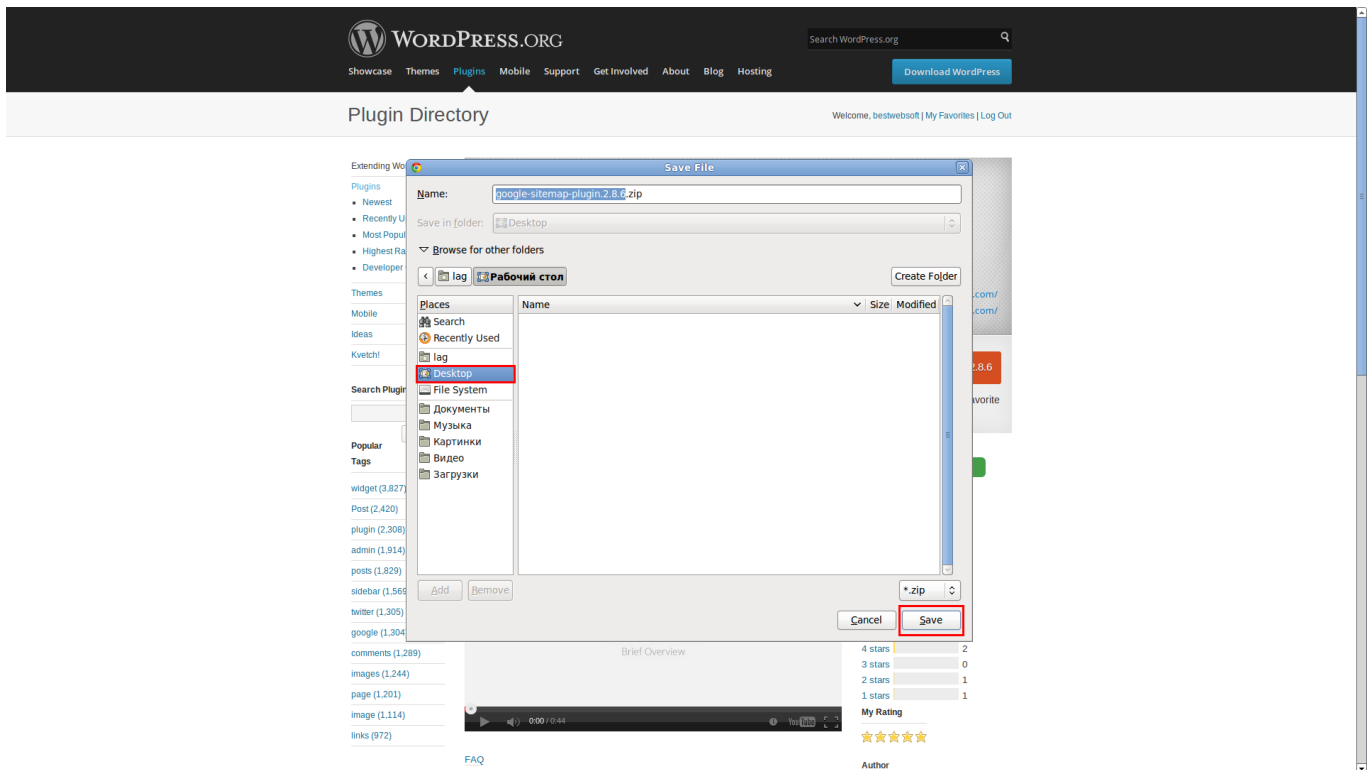
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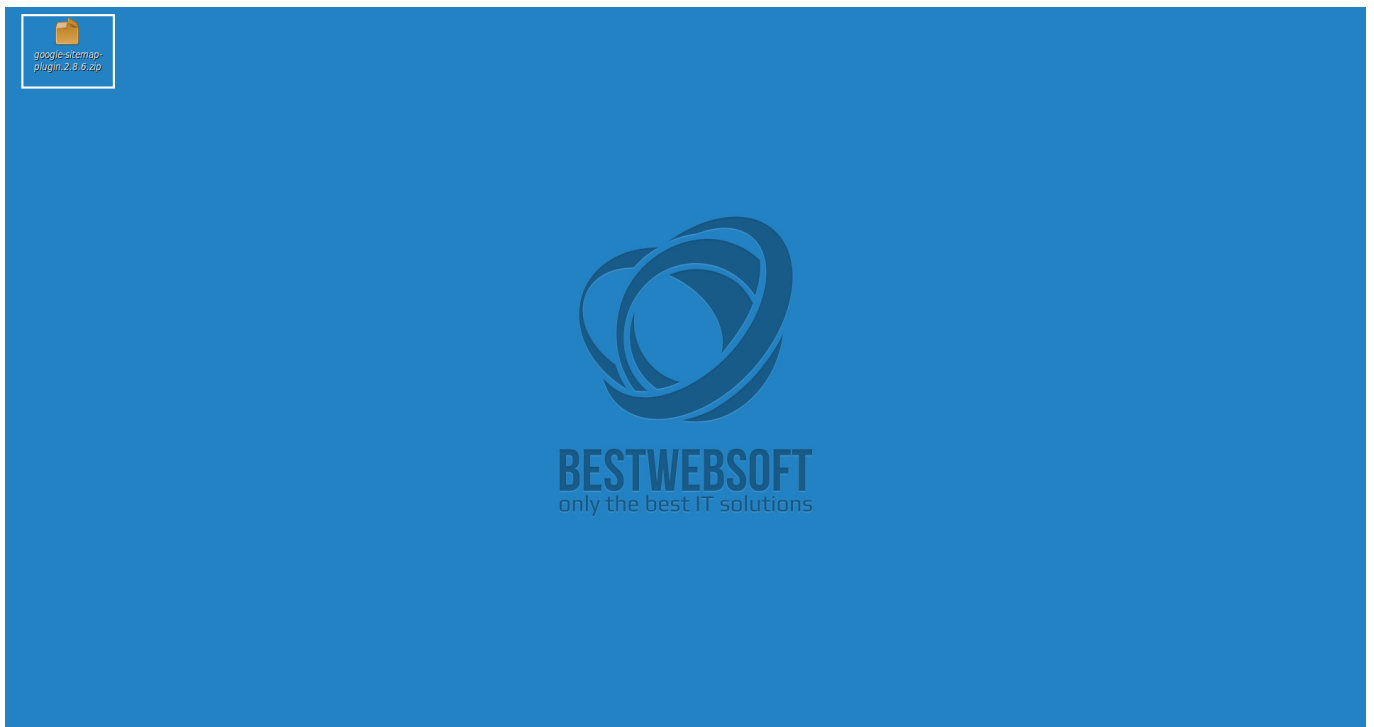
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2. A popup window will suggest the place to save. Select Desktop and click **"Save"**:



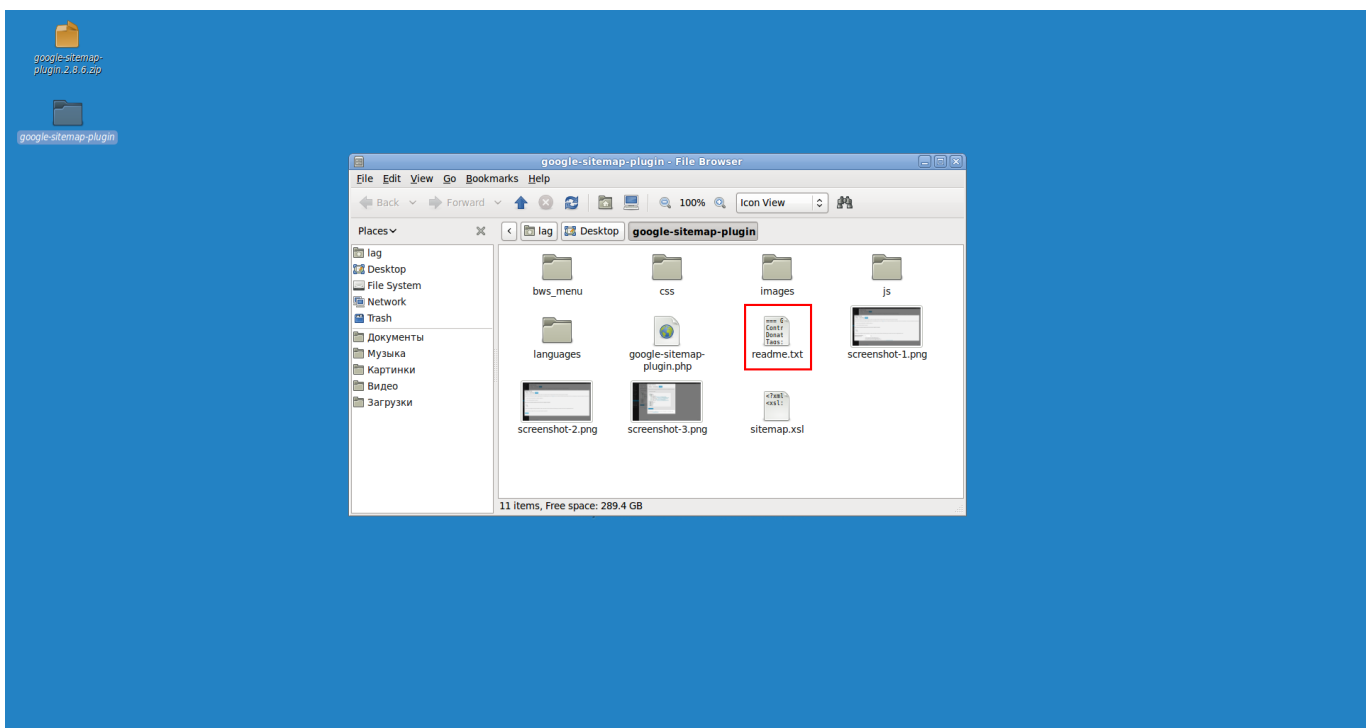
3. Make sure that the zip-file has appeared on your desktop.



4. Extract the Plugin folder to your desktop.



5. Read through the "readme" file thoroughly to insure you follow the installation instructions.



If you notice any bugs in the plugins, you can notify us about it and we'll investigate and fix the issue then. Your request should contain URL of the website, issues description and WordPress admin panel credentials. Moreover we can customize the plugin according to your requirements. It's a paid service (as a rule it costs \$40, but the price can vary depending on the amount of the necessary changes and their complexity). Please note that we could also include this or that feature (developed for you) in the next release and share with the other users then.

We can fix some things for free for the users who provide translation of our plugin into their native language (this should be a new translation of a certain plugin, you can check available translations on the official plugin page).

== Installation ==

1. Upload the folder 'google-sitemap-plugin' to the directory '/wp-content/plugins/'.
2. Activate the plugin via the 'Plugins' menu in WordPress.
3. The site settings are available in "BWS Plugins" -> "Google Sitemap".

== Frequently Asked Questions ==

= How can I use this plugin? =

After opening the plugin settings page your Sitemap file will be created automatically. If you already have a Sitemap file and do not want to change it, just do not check off the field "I want to create a new sitemap file".

If you do not want a Sitemap file to be added to Google Webmaster Tools automatically, just follow the brief instruction. In another case you should enter your login and password and choose the necessary action.

In order to add a path to your sitemap file in robots.txt you do not need to enter login and password, you should just select the necessary field and click "Update button". If you're using multisiting, the plugin does not allow to add a sitemap to robots.txt

= How to create sitemap.xml file? =

After opening the Settings page the sitemap.xml file will be created automatically in the site root.

= How to replace the existing sitemap.xml file? =

Select "I want to create a new sitemap file" and click "Update", the sitemap file will be recreated then.

= How to add a site to Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to add this site to Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update". Your site will be added to Google Webmaster Tools and verified, afterwards your sitemap file will be added.

= How can I remove a site from Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to delete this site from Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update".

= How can I get information about my site in Google Webmaster Tools? =

Select "I want to get info about this site in Google Webmaster Tools" and click "Update".

= How can I deactivate the plugin? =

In the WordPress admin panel please go to "Plugins", find the Google Sitemap and click "Deactivate".

== Screenshots ==

1. Google Sitemap Settings page.
2. Google Sitemap Settings page on the hosting which doesn't support cURL.
3. Google Sitemap Extra Settings page.

== Changelog ==

= V2.8.6 - 16.01.2014 =

- * Bugfix : Bug related on The link which get's added to the robots.txt was fixed.
- * Update : Style of the sitemap file was updated.

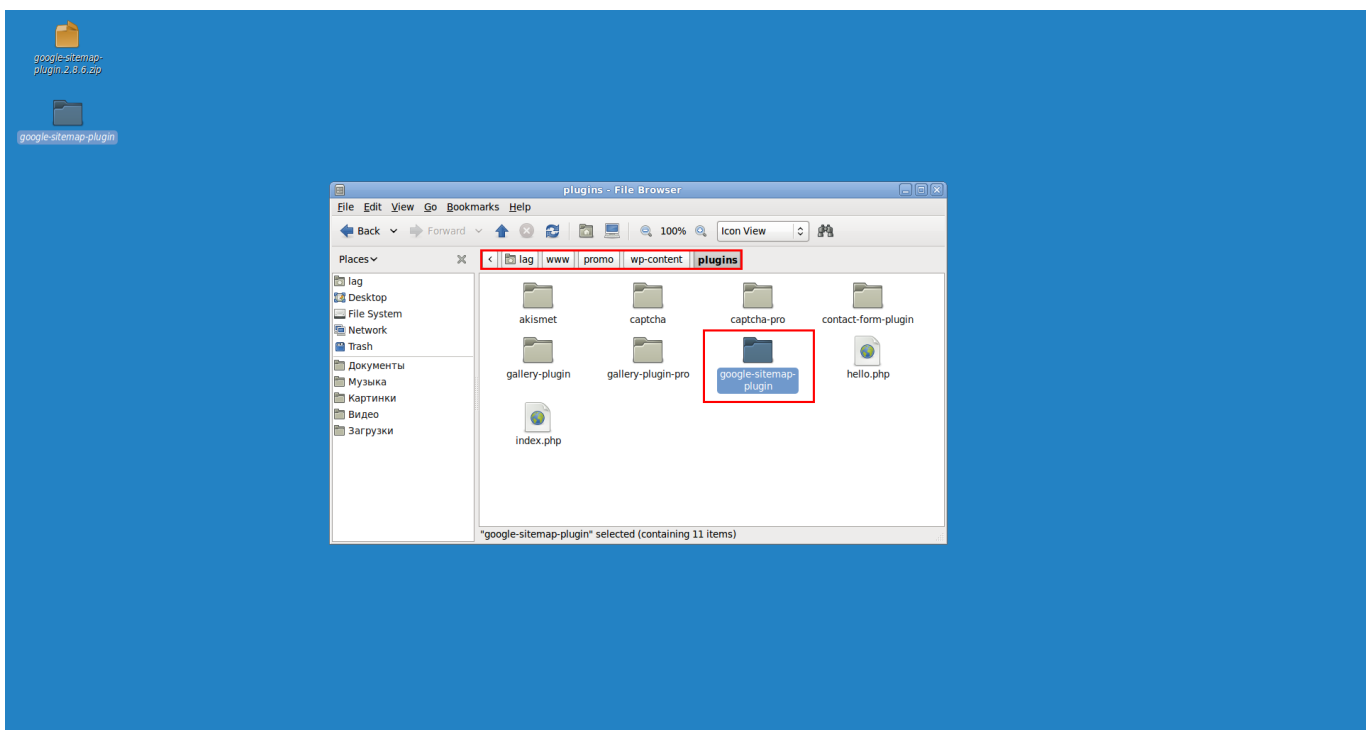
= V2.8.5 - 13.01.2014 =

- * Bugfix : Bugs related on using string offset as an array were fixed.
- * Update : Screenshots was updated.

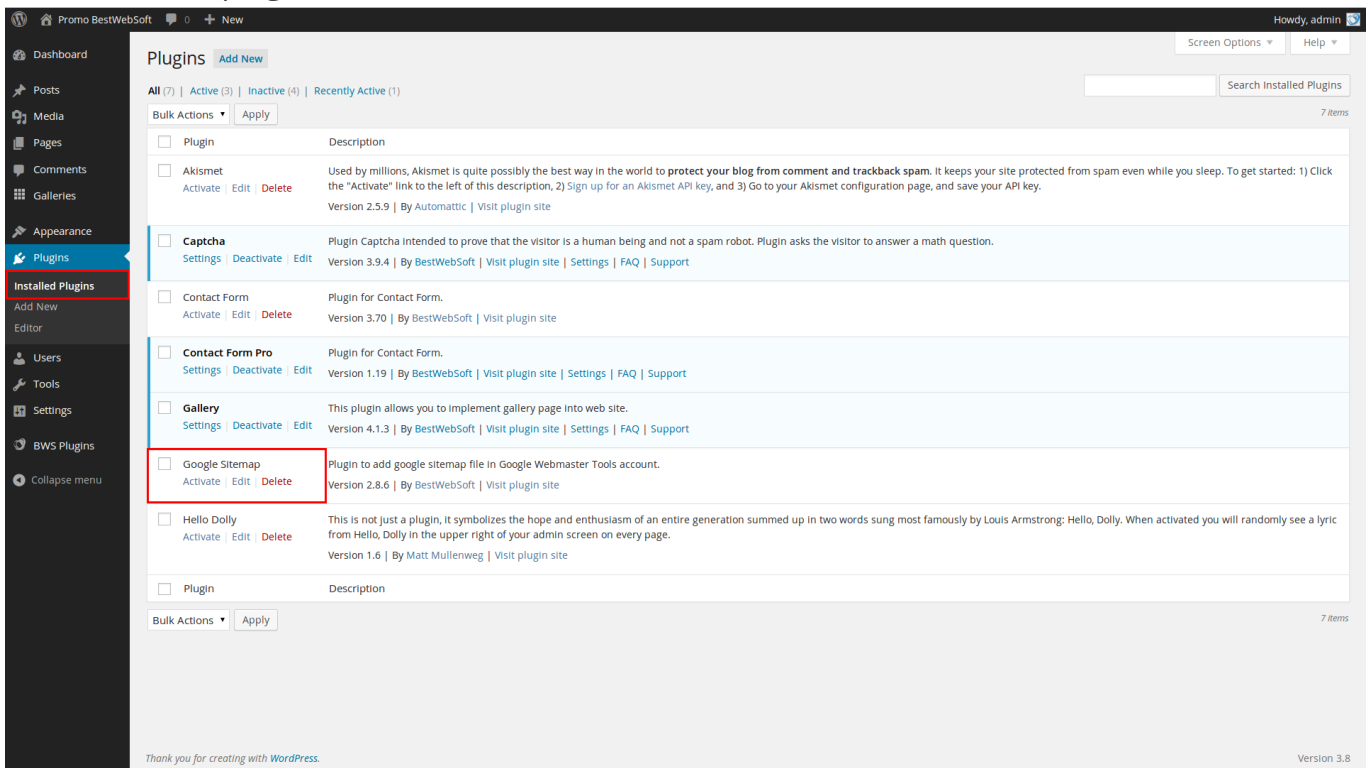
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- * NEW : Installed wordpress version checking was added.

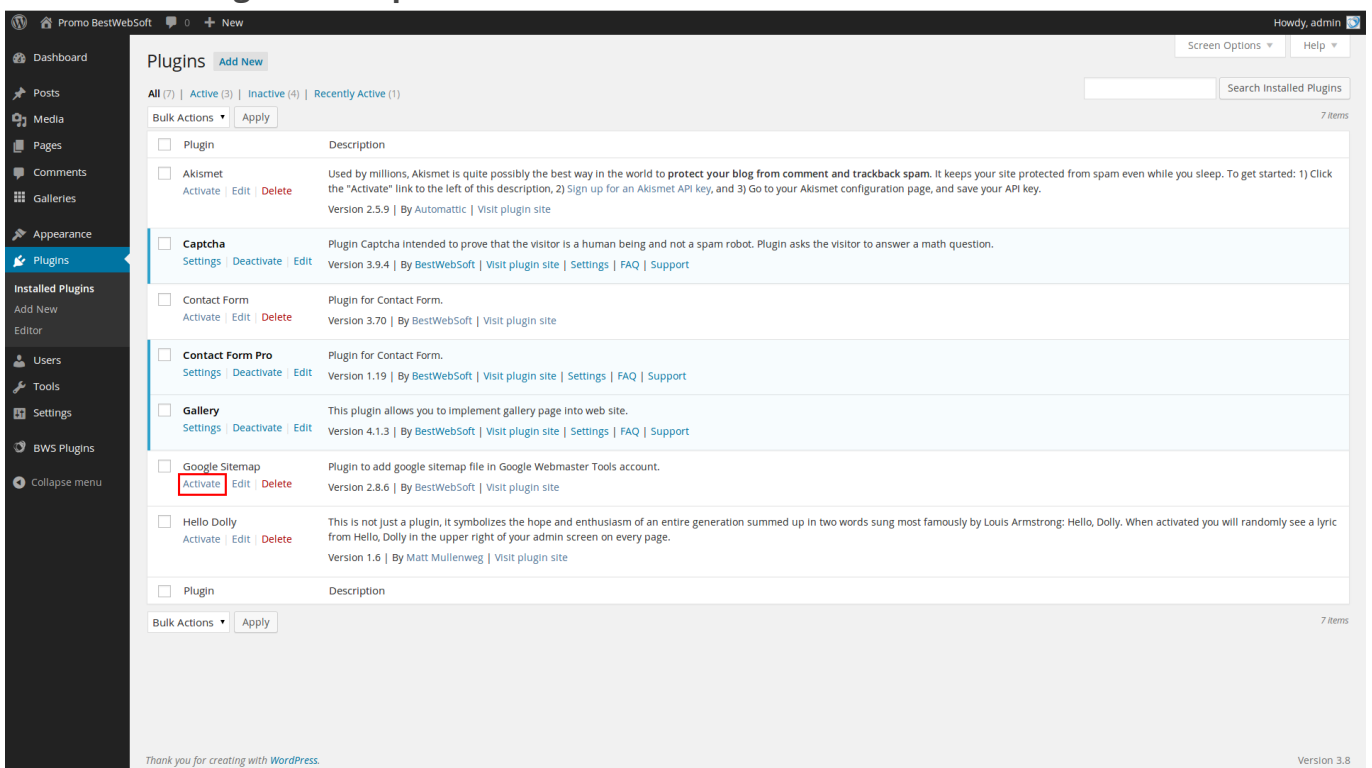
6. With your FTP program upload the Google Sitemap folder to the **/wp-content/plugins/** folder in your Wordpress directory online.



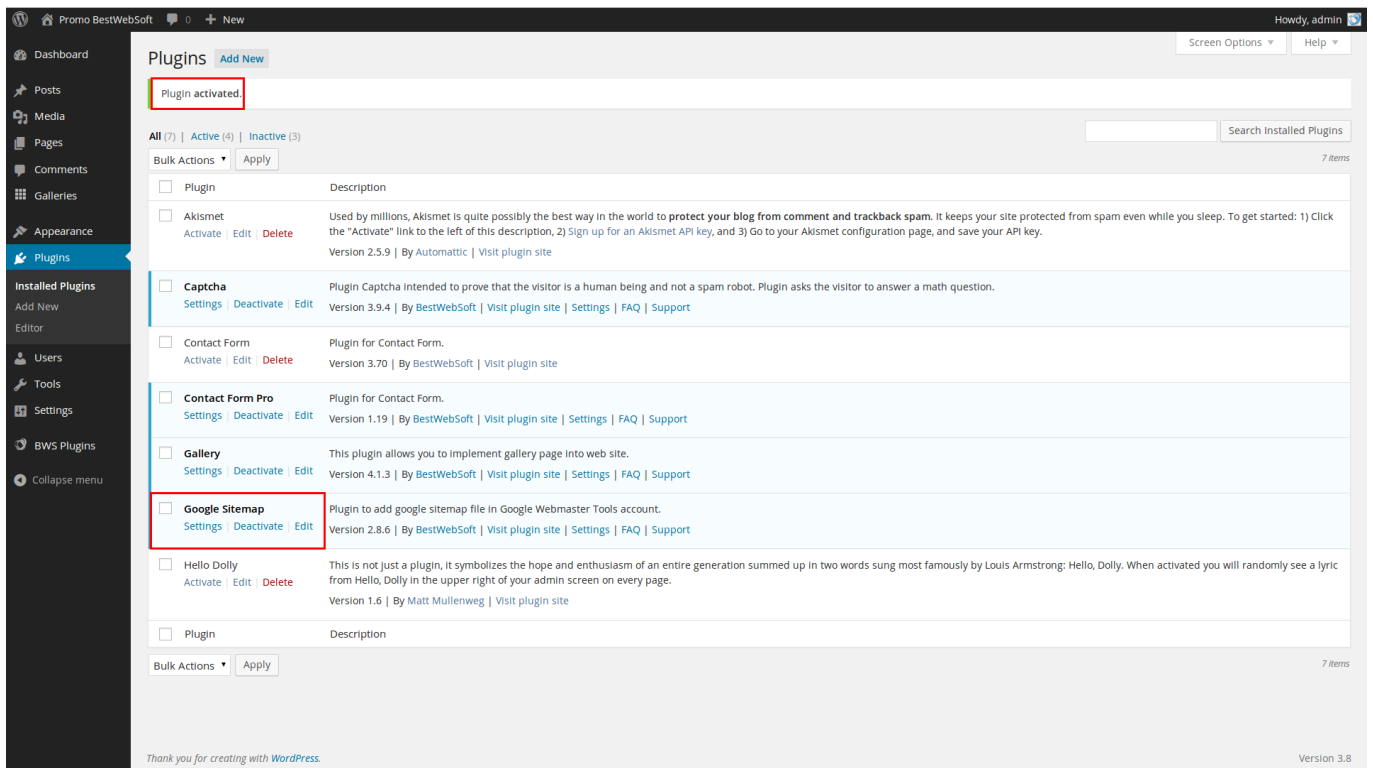
7. Find the plugins menu on your left and click **“Installed plugins”**. You will see a list of installed plugins:



8. Find **“Google Sitemap”** and click **“Activate”**.



9. Voila - Google Sitemap is activated!



The screenshot shows the WordPress admin dashboard with the 'Plugins' menu highlighted in the left sidebar. The 'Plugins' page is displayed, showing a list of installed plugins. A red box highlights the 'Plugin activated' message at the top of the page. Another red box highlights the 'Google Sitemap' plugin, which is listed as 'Active'. The plugin description for Google Sitemap reads: 'Plugin to add google sitemap file in Google Webmaster Tools account. Version 2.8.6 | By BestWebSoft | Visit plugin site | Settings | FAQ | Support'.

Plugins [Add New](#)

Plugin activated

All (7) | Active (4) | Inactive (3)

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☐	Plugin	Description
☐	Akismet Activate Edit Delete	Used by millions, Akismet is quite possibly the best way in the world to protect your blog from comment and trackback spam. It keeps your site protected from spam even while you sleep. To get started: 1) Click the "Activate" link to the left of this description, 2) Sign up for an Akismet API key, and 3) Go to your Akismet configuration page, and save your API key. Version 2.5.9 By Automattic Visit plugin site
☐	Captcha Settings Deactivate Edit	Plugin Captcha intended to prove that the visitor is a human being and not a spam robot. Plugin asks the visitor to answer a math question. Version 3.9.4 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
☐	Contact Form Activate Edit Delete	Plugin for Contact Form. Version 3.70 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site
☐	Contact Form Pro Settings Deactivate Edit	Plugin for Contact Form. Version 1.19 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
☐	Gallery Settings Deactivate Edit	This plugin allows you to implement gallery page into web site. Version 4.1.3 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
☐	Google Sitemap Settings Deactivate Edit	Plugin to add google sitemap file in Google Webmaster Tools account. Version 2.8.6 By BestWebSoft Visit plugin site Settings FAQ Support
☐	Hello Dolly Activate Edit Delete	This is not just a plugin, it symbolizes the hope and enthusiasm of an entire generation summed up in two words sung most famously by Louis Armstrong: Hello, Dolly. When activated you will randomly see a lyric from Hello, Dolly in the upper right of your admin screen on every page. Version 1.6 By Matt Mullenweg Visit plugin site
☐	Plugin	Description

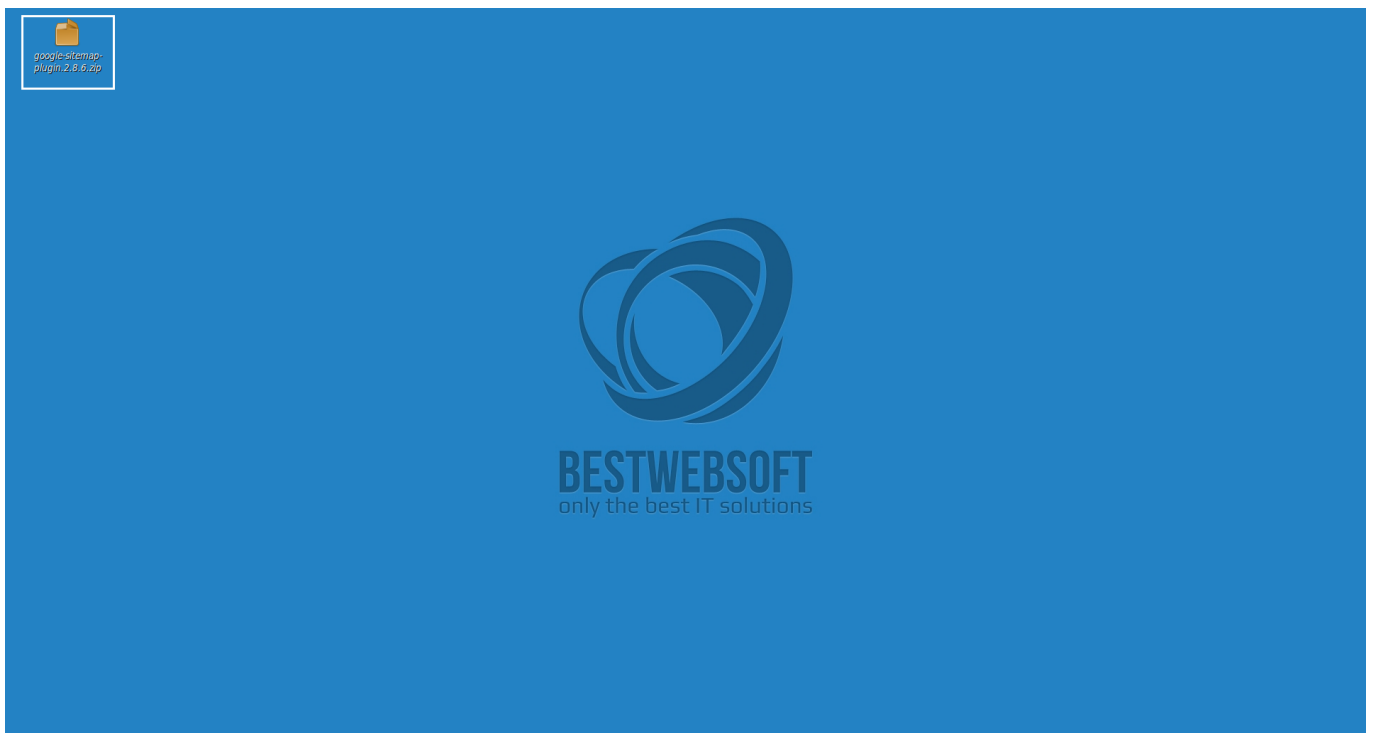
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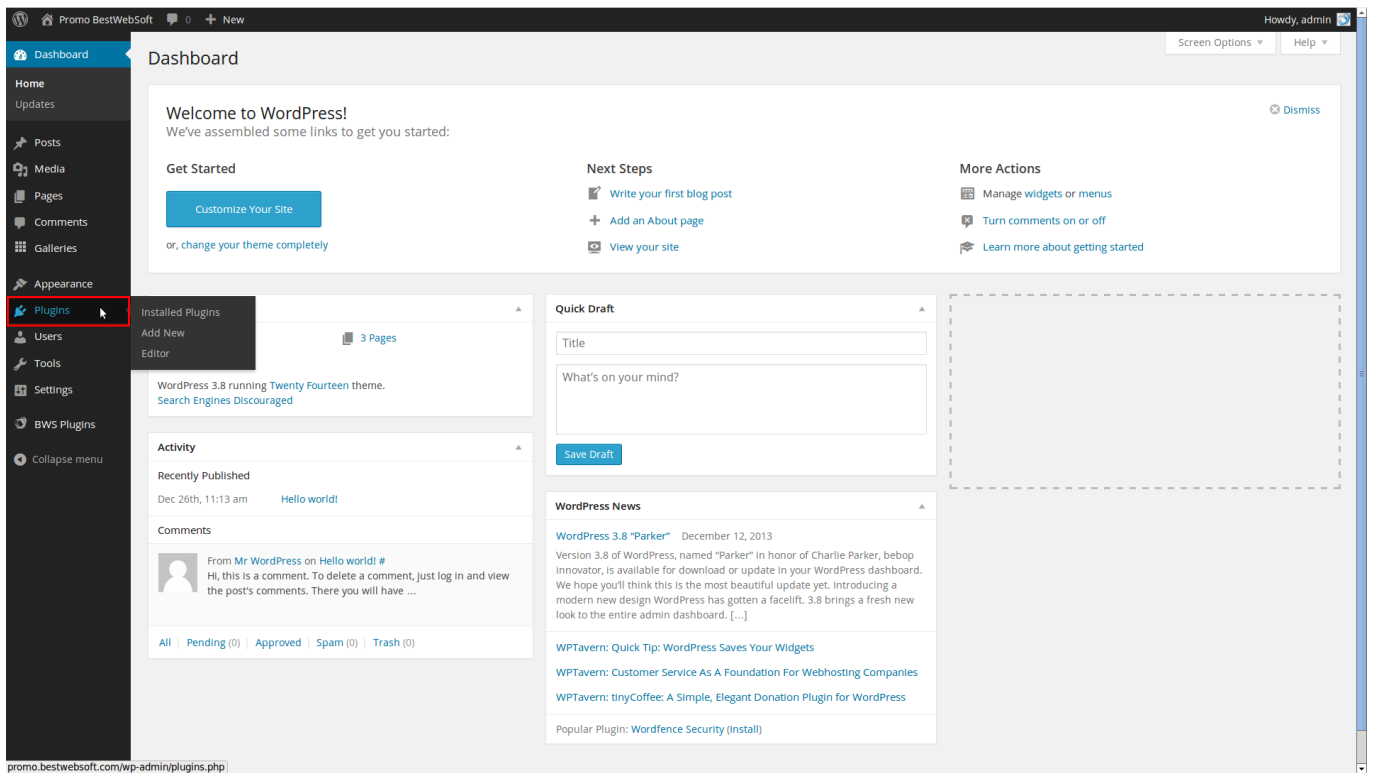
4. Alternative way of installation

This way of installation is preferable when you download the plugin folder by using a download link (mostly in case with Pro versions). In this case you do not have to extract the folder with the plugin to your desktop, it will be extracted automatically in your dashboard.

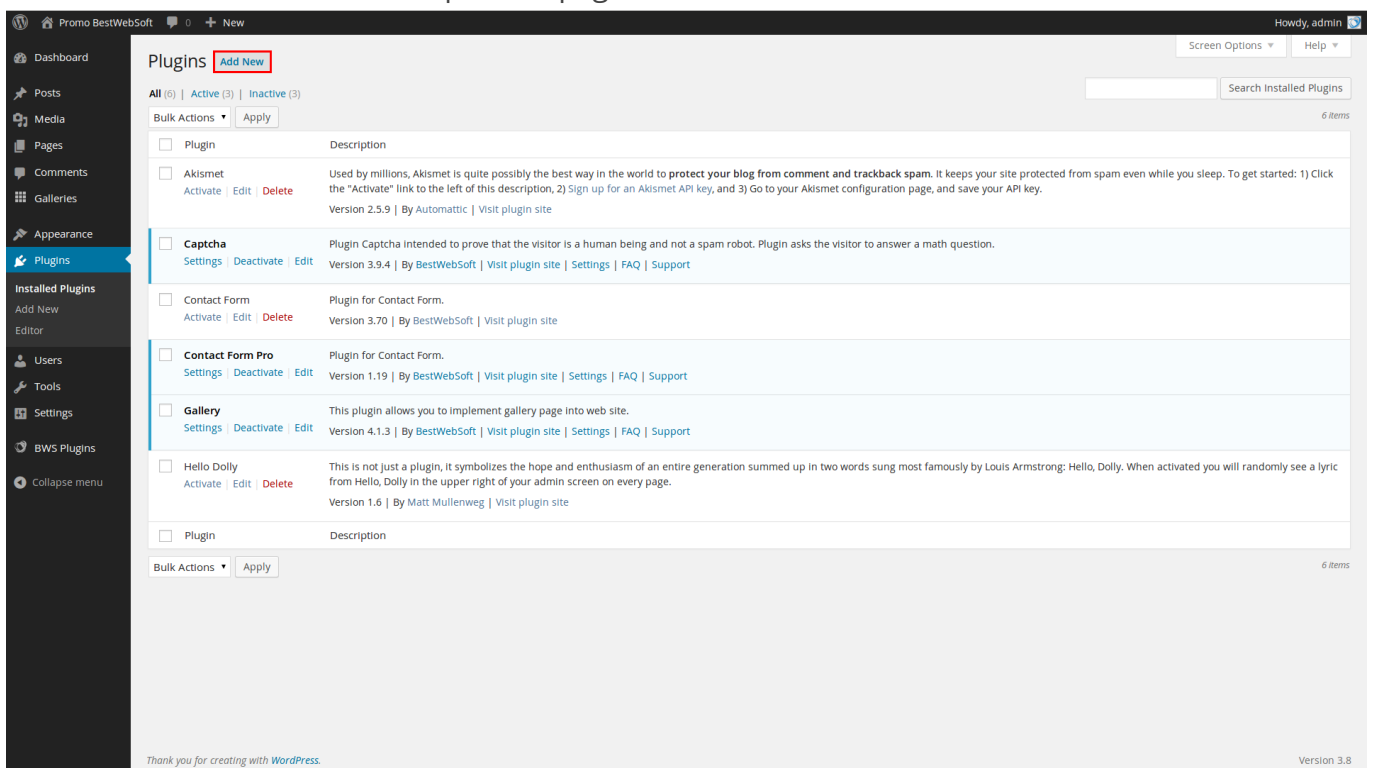
1. Make sure there is the plugin's zip-folder on your desktop.



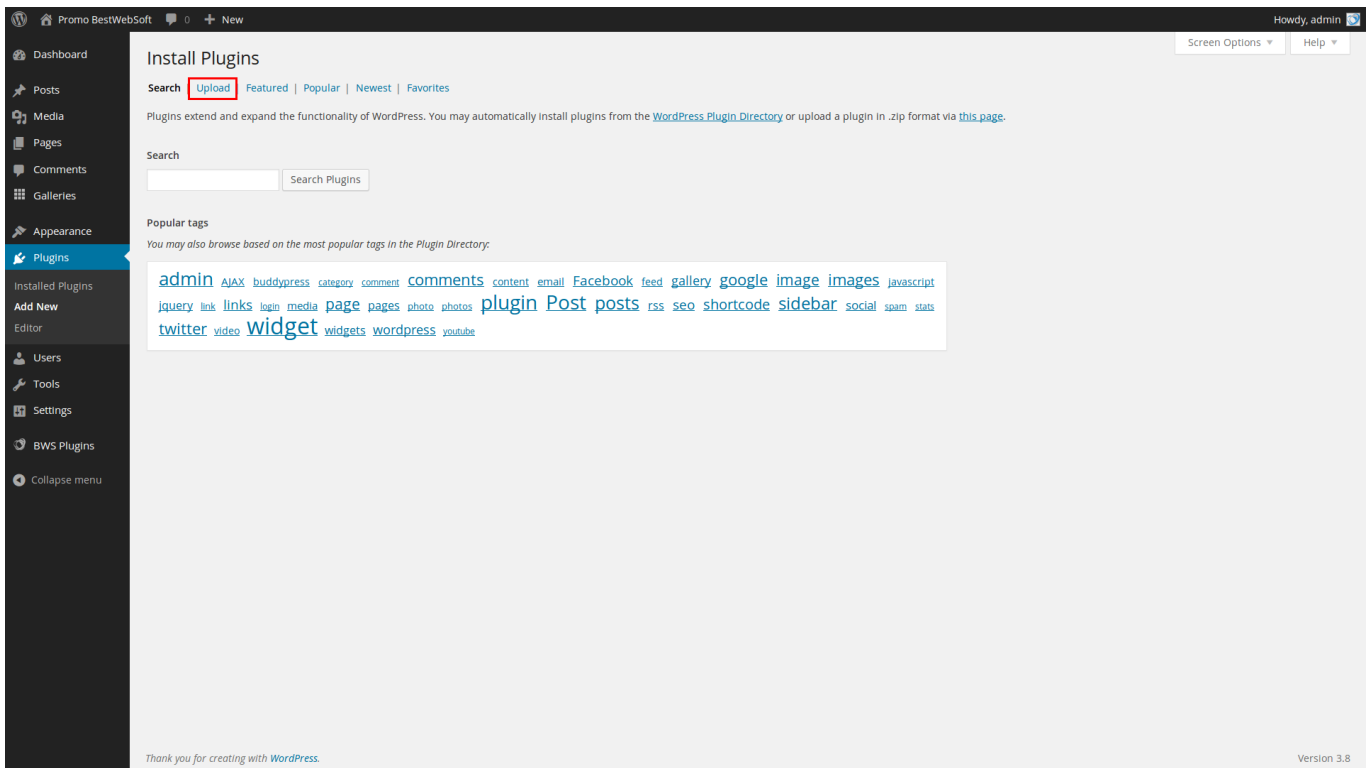
2. Click **"Plugins"** in the menu on the left in your admin area.



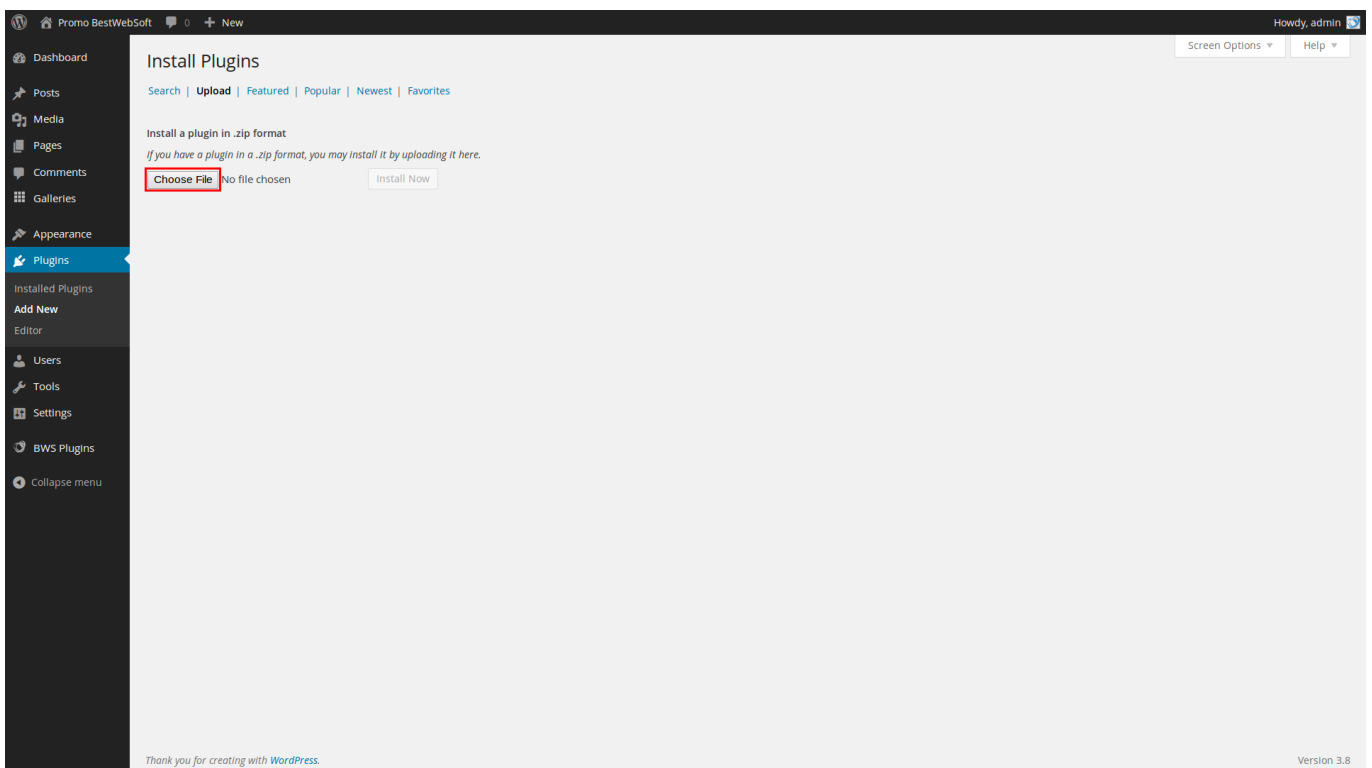
3. Click **"Add new"** at the top of the page.



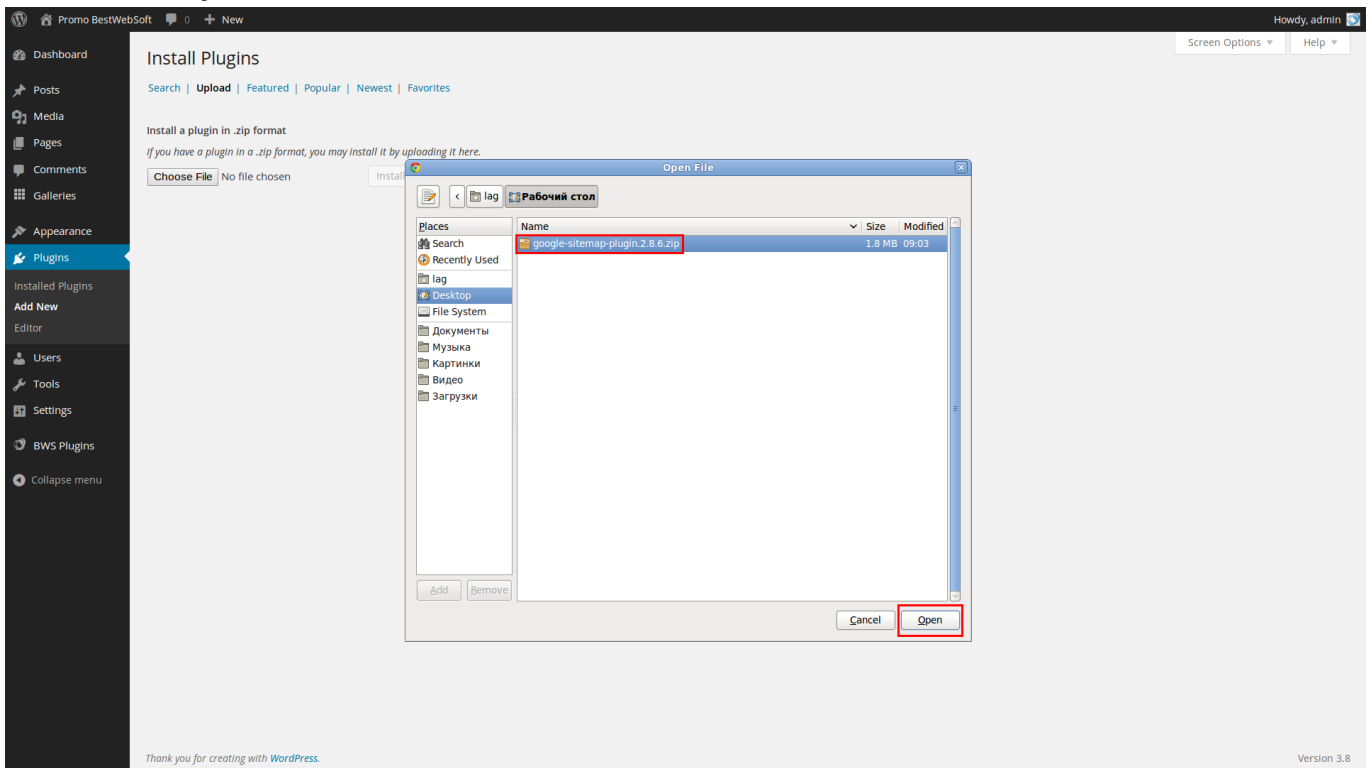
4. Click “Upload”.



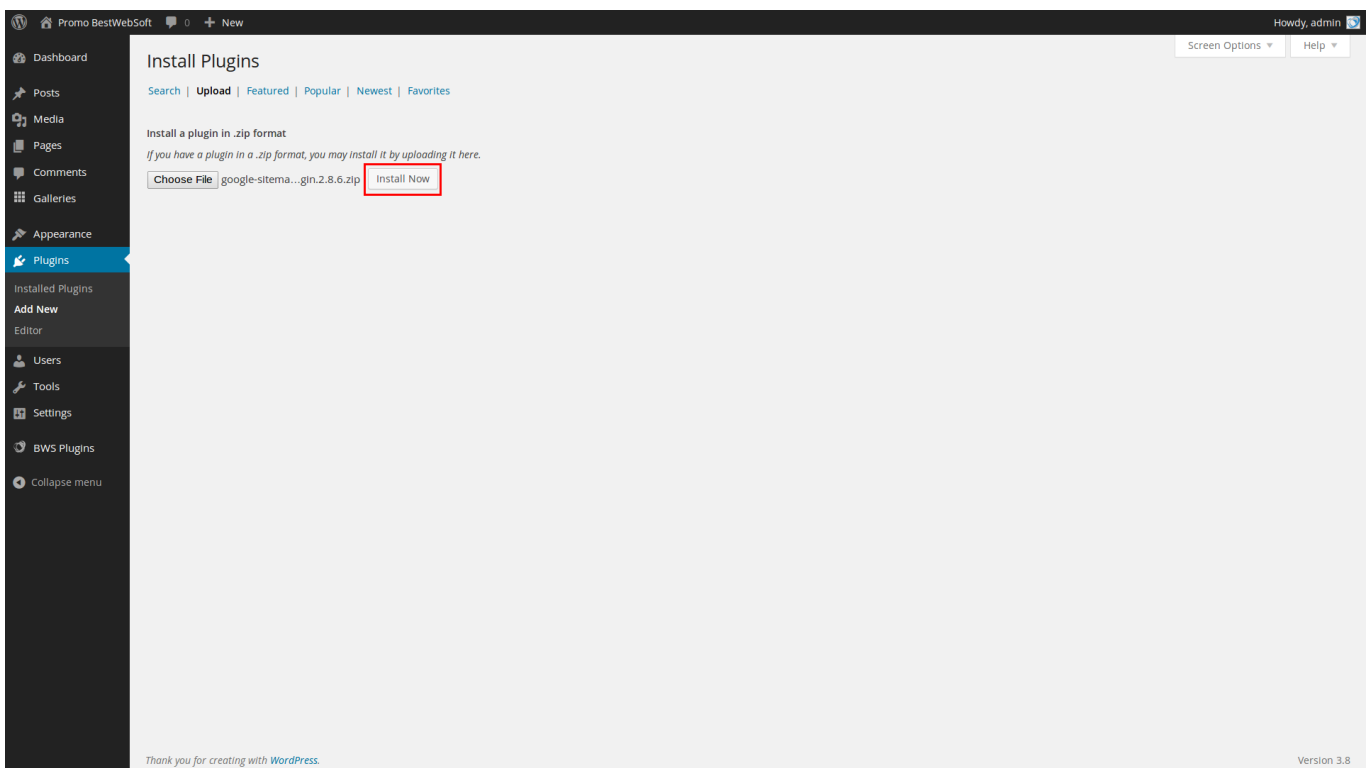
5. Click “Choose file”.



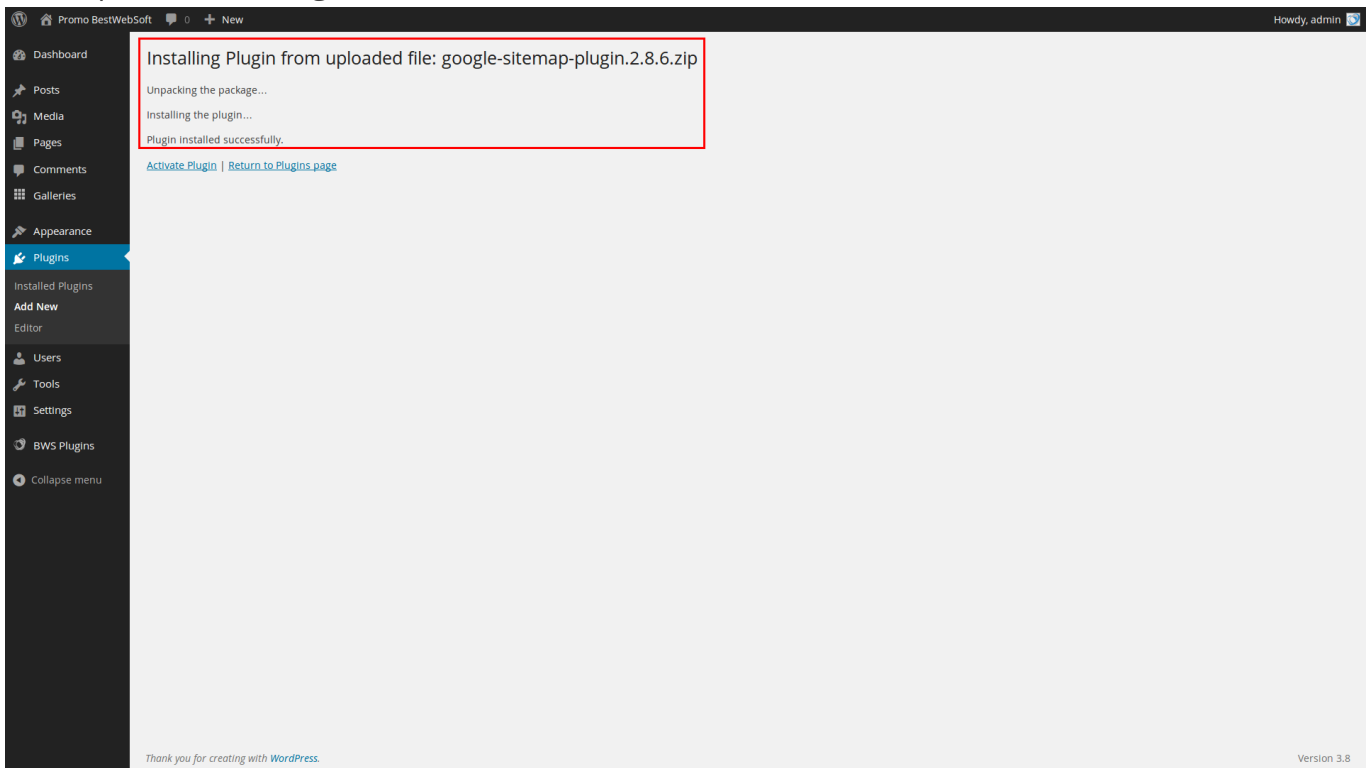
6. A pop-up window will ask you to choose the file. Select google sitemap zip-folder and click **"Open"**.



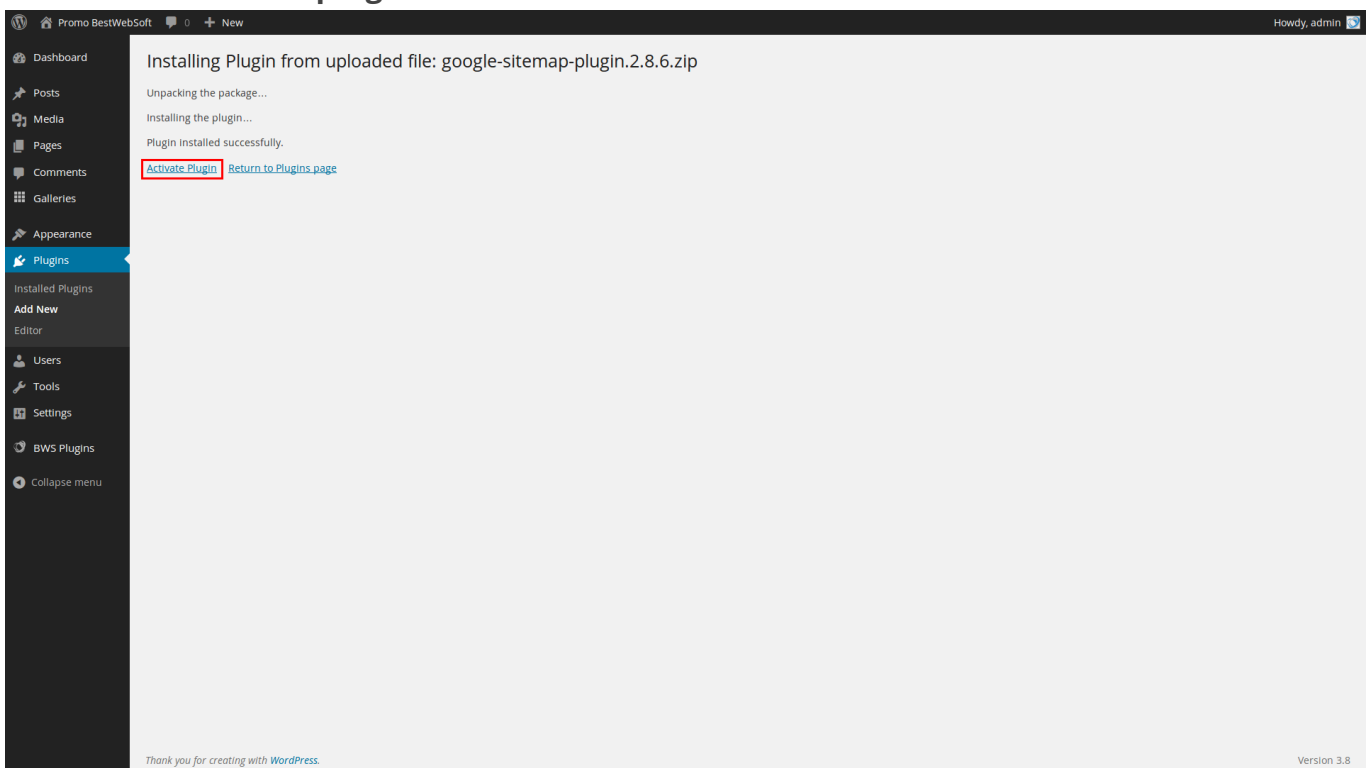
7. Click **"Install now"**.



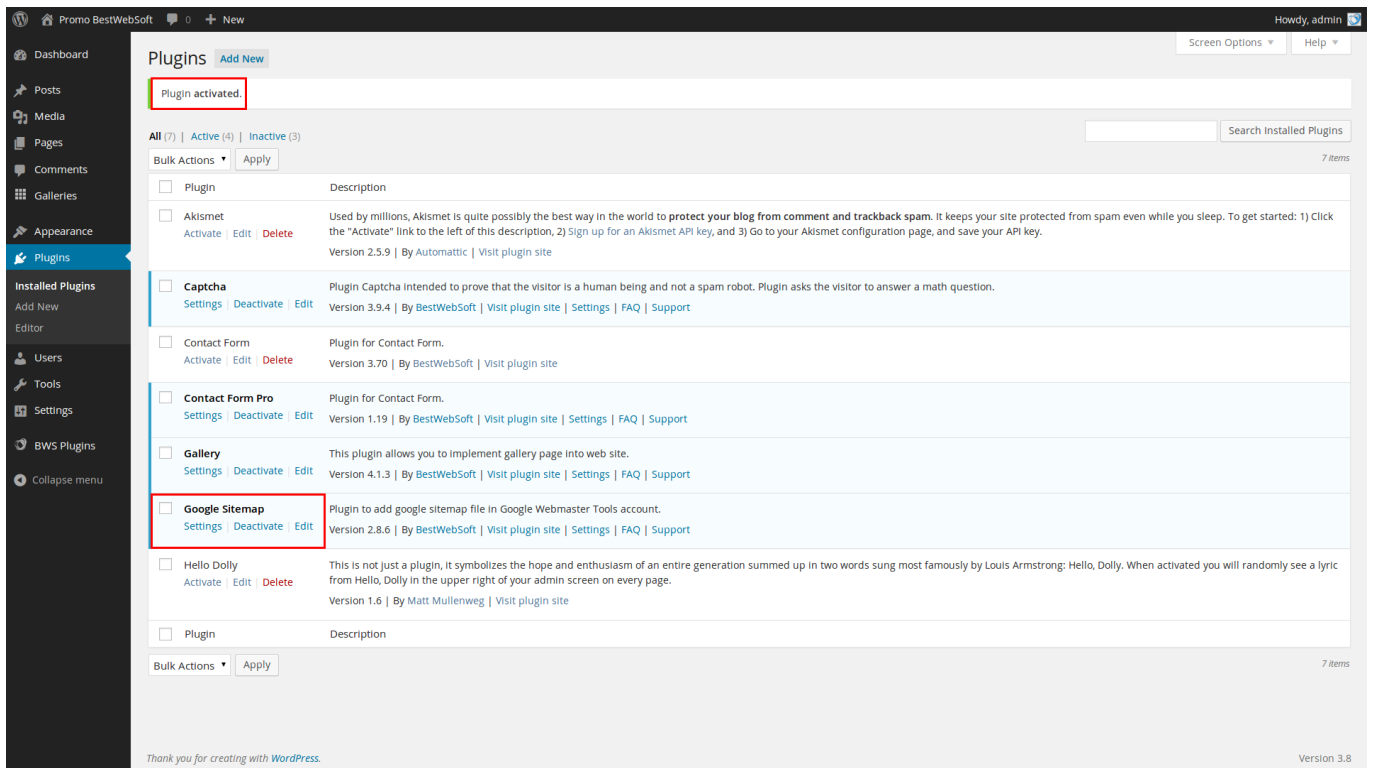
8. The resulting installation screen will list the installation as successful or note any problems during the install.



9. Click **“Activate plugin”**.



10. Voila - Google Sitemap is activated!



This instruction can be applied mostly to [Google Sitemap Pro](#), too.

Thank you!

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