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## PHP Link Directory 3.3

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**Description:** Since its release two years ago, phpLD has become the most widely used Directory Script on the Net!

Too many features to name but here are a few!

- Unlimited categories and subcategories
  - SEO Friendly Pages
  - Available in Multiple Languages
  - Free, Reciprocal or Paid Submissions
  - Powerful Email Link Exchange Engine
  - Captcha on Submission for to protect from spammers (optional)
  - IP and Domain Banning
  - Detail Pages for Each Link
  - Google PageRank on links
  - Symbolic Links like DMOZ
  - Editor Accounts
  - Check for broken links
  - Accept Paypal payments (other payment modules available)
  - RSS Feeds for each category (optional)
  - Mod Rewrite (can turn on or off)
  - Auto Reply to link submissions
  - Option to do 3-way link exchanges
  - Auto create Google and Yahoo sitemaps
  - Add articles to any category
  - 3 Category Selection Methods for the submit form including AJAX category selection
- Much More!

### Resource Specifications

<b>Version:</b>	3.3.0
<b>Platform(s):</b>	linux, windows, freebsd, osx, sun
<b>Date Added:</b>	Jan 30th, 2005
<b>Last Updated:</b>	Apr 2nd, 2008
<b>Author:</b>	netcreated

**Average Visitor Rating:**  **4.26** (out of 5)

Number of Ratings: 243 Votes

**Average Member Rating:**  **4.32** (out of 5)

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**Super free stuff!**, Apr 29th, 2005

Reviewed By: gtbohrer

Professional looking, easy for users, easy for admin, and super-smooth installation and integration (only had to template 2 pages!). Doc a bit sketchy, but good for a free script. Didn't need support (!) but the site forum seemed to be both responsive and useful for those who have posted. If you need a free linking utility, use this one- no questions



**PHP Link Directory - The real deal**, May 20th, 2005

Reviewed By: Dogbite

I've tried a slew of link directories but I've settled on the PHP Link Directory as it does what I want.

### The Pros

Very simple to use (helpful when your link team doesn't have english as 1st language)

Semi-automated email exchanges (this is optimal in my books)

Search engine friendly URLs

New version has recip link checker  
and it's Free

### The Cons

Not many but...

Doesn't look for cloaked links or ones using ref="nofollow"

The on server is slightly heavier than what I'd expect with a normal link checker



**Top Rated and Easy to use**, May 23rd, 2005

Reviewed By: foodbiz

This php based Directory Link submitter was easy to install and above all delivered results. Even for a NON-expert like me.

The Installation was easy and the user friendly features made it easy for me to get the code uploaded and working. They Also provided a free chat Forum that helped me out to get the code up.



**It is really professional free linking utility**, May 24th, 2005

Reviewed By: volodymyr

This utility have professional look. It have very easy installation menu, so no problem to install it. It is very easy to change design(there is no many template files). Admin section is organized very good. I recommend for everybody to use this linking utility.



**Excellent tool to manage links**, May 24th, 2005

Reviewed By: Annada

This script has been a great blessing to our link exchange program, and I have many satisfied customers who have a higher PageRank and more traffic.



**Good Software - Great Service - And it's FREE!**, Jun 14th, 2005

Reviewed By: buyforless

I am a novice programmer. In real life I am in broadcast marketing. I know some code but in times of trouble I could use some assistance ASAP as the house is burning down. That's what I got from the people offering phplinkdirectory link exchange software. It was very easy to install - even though there isnt a manual yet. If i had questions i posted them on the Support Forum board and they were answered within minutes or hours. (Not sure when these guys sleep). I downloaded the software after weeks of reading adn demoing all the different offerings on HotScripts. Was on the verge of buying like-n-kind software when they released V2.0. GRABBED IT. Hey its free! But after using the new V2.0 and getting great support/answers to my issues I made a voluntary donation to help them out. Least I could do was buy them dinner. I am thrilled to this point. Highly recommend. Worth a good look and try out. Thanks



### **Great SEO Optimized Web Directory**, Jul 7th, 2005

Reviewed By: mojavecreations

I run this directory on my own site to help build my popularity (through requiring reciprocal links). I spent several days searching the web for a free, SEO Optimized, script of this nature. This is the best (only?) one I have found. It has a great admin interface, very easy to validate recip links, and was a simple install. Was very easy to template into my existing site. Support service is wonderful, only a few hours after posting a question I received an answer with instructions to fix the problem. Only drawback that could be ascribed to this script is no way to seed the directory with DMOZ content.

Deserves every integer of the 5 rating!



### **This is the directory script I've been waiting for!**, Jul 7th, 2005

Reviewed By: minstrel

Simple to set up. Easy to customize if you are at all familiar with HTML (and a bit of PHP helps). Numerous features (I'm still discovering some of them) and more planned with the next release due in a couple of days, some not found in other directory scripts I've reviewed.

And all in a small footprint.

Excellent job! Kudos to the developers!



### **Top Notch Directory Script**, Sep 30th, 2005

Reviewed By: scripts@monster-submit.com

This is up and coming directory script that is destined to blow all the others out of the water. I can say this both as a programmer (CGI / PHP) and user of phpLD. User contributions and modules have already elevated phpLD above most other similar scripts. And, there is talk of even better enhancements and features that will put the commercial variants to shame. phpLD will be the phpBB of the directory scripts. Can't beat the price (free), or great features coupled with the awesome support!



### **The very best!**, Oct 5th, 2005

Reviewed By: angeljs

After using and reviewing several directory scripts, this is the best one I've seen so far! Tons of features, it can make you money, and there are lots of add-ons to make it even better! Well done, and thank you for this FREE script! :-)



### **Great Directory Script**, Oct 14th, 2005

Reviewed By: rrwh\_au

Good feature set, Active development community. Covers most of the things that you want in a directory script with the best price! Free - So many other scripts in this space, but none of them offer the same features for free - I look forward to it maturing over the next several months and taking it from Very Good to the Excellent it will become.

Grab a copy, use it for your link exchange program or start a niche directory of your own - certainly a script worth looking at



### **PhP Link Directory**, Oct 19th, 2005

Reviewed By: jminscoe

I think this is a great script and recommend it to anyone who wants to start a directory and the support is rated a 10



### **Excellent Script!**, Oct 22nd, 2005

Reviewed By: phpProgrammer

I've used a lot of directories including DMOZ but this one beats them all by far! It has a lot of features like page rankings, security code validation to stop hackers, and it's very easy to manage!



### **At last! A decent php/mysql links directory script.**, Oct 23rd, 2005

Reviewed By: Bangkok Bob

I have been searching for a links listing script to replace the CGI web directory scripts I have been using as I am updating all my websites with a CMS front end that uses CSS and no html tables.

PHPLD is the perfect solution:

It integrates well with php/mysql CMS as the html templates can be easily styled with CSS for table-less pages.

It is search engine friendly as mod rewrite is used for all pages PLUS each category title, description, and keyword metags are unique for optimum SEO.



### **Best free linking script I've seen**, Dec 30th, 2005

Reviewed By: iBold

This is by far the best free linking script I have seen. Integration with ads, payments for links via paypal, and a support staff that will actually talk to you.



### **Great Script, Great Community**, Jan 20th, 2006

Reviewed By: iBold

Not only is this a great script for setting up a directory that can accept payments, give static URLs, and be easy to manage, but it also has one of the better communities on the net. People listen to your mod idea's and make them real. The developer is almost always there to either help out or fund your new idea's if you realease it to the public. Overall an awesome script.



### **php Link Directory**, Mar 3rd, 2006

Reviewed By: Optimit

I have used this script many times, and have found it to be reliable, easy to install, and very easy to customize. I highly recommend it.



**Best One I've Used So Far**, Apr 5th, 2006

Reviewed By: r1thomason67

I've downloaded and installed so many different link scripts (found them all here at HotScripts.com) and I think PHP Link Directory is the best of the best. Easy to install, easy to learn, great UI, and it does everything I can imagine wanting to do with a link directory.



**very desappointed**, Apr 13th, 2006

Reviewed By: vixen00

I bought this script for \$75 because of too many good reviews here.

Now I think this is the advertising company.

First of all, the script has a bunch of bugs - it just didn't work from the beginning! Thech support is inadequate. You have to find out what is going and ask for help from other customers on the forum. The script's owner won't help you! LOL.

Now I have the problem to get refund. The owner became very uncooperative if you asked your money back.



**Please read this first. I got the commercial version :(**, May 4th, 2006

Reviewed By: adrianTNT

80-90% of the 5/5 ratings are posted by script owner.

My issues:

- I paid \$75, when first issue came I asked for details but I was asked for \$10 to join the forum.

- They have email templates in admin pane but the variable names are incorrect (their users know that).

- When I ask about the issue I was told that if he looks into it he will not have time for dancing.

- User login doesn't work

m more bugs.

I am out of space sorry.



**Excellent Script, EASY Installation, Great Support Forums, May 5th, 2006**

Reviewed By: an0nym0us

To the above poster all I have to say is:

If anyone has a problem getting this script installed(aka vixen00), you DO NOT BELONG ON THE INTERNET, so pack your bags and gtfo.

This script is by far and above the easier to install, manipulate, and understand. I had no previous knowledge of the scripting/programming languages needed to work with phpld, and now, two weeks later, I possess one of the best directories out there. (from what i am told)

vixen00, get a life and go back to school.



**PHPLinkdirectory is the BEST directory software and I should know..., M**

Reviewed By: LyndaDelight

I researched almost every directory software package and selected PHPLinkdirectory for their robust functionality, active development community and reasonable pricing. I highly recommend it and have had a great experience developing and launching my directory, Delightfulblogs.com with support and encouragement from the developers and supporters of the software.



**not as good as they say, May 29th, 2006**

Reviewed By: Honest AI

Sad to agree that the script is v.poor, bugs bugs and more, they do get hostile when u want refund, they do send guys over to places to post 5 stars, script is only ok, not worth more than \$10 imho @ an0nym0us above is nothin if butt lickin moderator with attitude. Duval knows squat on php gets credit for smart kids to do work for peanuts hence bugs all time. On brighter side, has scope but long way from being any good yet. David can I have my refund? \$75 ain't much to you but is too me.



### **super script with loads of features**, Jun 20th, 2006

Reviewed By: arindra

i am quite surprised at the 1-2 odd reviews above , coz to me this has been one of the better php scripts i have come across considering the time i needed to get it running is none. i am sure most people will be raving about the features so i wont, but i can tell you that i have just paid the basic price of \$25 and not even \$75 and i am still satisfied. The way WP made blogging simple for a layman, i feel phpLD singlehandedly gave rise to webmasters opening directories.



### **Using a member to post FAKE positive feedback is BAD!**, Jul 9th, 2006

Reviewed By: Honest AI

This script is simple poor and STILL has bugs, bugs, and more bugs!!!

It plageurizes other scripts and then claims them for their own. David Duval (The Godfather) knows no php and gets novice scriptwriters to do work so no wonder it aint safe (Look at forum!) As for the last poster who gave 5 stars :-) Am I wrong here or isnt arindra an anagram of ADRIAN one of Duval's followers! If you are going to use rep sites like this use rep methods and honest opinions not fake ones! Still no refund.



### **Look elsewhere**, Jul 12th, 2006

Reviewed By: PHPscriptUser

This is really sad that you have to beg few of your satisfied customers to post positive reviews.

The script itself is below average quality and "support" forum (that you have to pay annual fee for access) is nothing but a showoff between couple of ignorant self loving "moderators"



### **Excellent web directory script!**, Jul 17th, 2006

Reviewed By: Irka-Project

PHPLD is one of the easiest way to create a web directory on the web! You can customize it as you wish, change the design, add other mods (that the phpld forum provides).

If you have problem setting up your directory, there is a support forum where you can ask for help! I had a problem with one of my directory and i got David himself fixing that problem for me, and it was very fast, even though he lives in the US and me in Vietnam!

If phpld was a hotel i would give it 6 stars!



### **Is there anything better ? Heck no**, Jul 19th, 2006

Reviewed By: bin\_asc

I was looking for a good script for a while now.Many google PR problems, unfriendly support, no answers, just problems.Then, there is was, php link directory.Even the support staff helped me in crisis.My opinion : there is nothing better than this.I use it, I love it.



### **Best directory software!**, Jul 21st, 2006

Reviewed By: sunnyb

The best directory software! :D .. After having sucesfully used its basic version, I have taken a paid version of the software.

The software is user friendly and very easy to handle. I am really happy with it. :)



### **Excellent directory service and support**, Jul 21st, 2006

Reviewed By: mbalkhi

Well i bought this directory script, and installed it. Which was very easy. Plus there are so many mods / features for this script which makes it excellent and dominant over the other scripts. Not only that, if you face any problems you can always get instant support from their forum, and the staff there will do almost anything to help you out. They are very co-opeartive.

My final words would be - Best from the features to the price. Great support !



### **Excellent tool**, Nov 4th, 2006

Reviewed By: gabriel\_dusa

It was very easy to install even for a common user, like me. The Installation was easy and the user friendly features made it easy for me to get the code uploaded and working. I also liked the free chat Forum.



### **Eternally Grateful**, Nov 19th, 2006

Reviewed By: catholics

The team over at the phpLD forums did a fantastic job helping me convert a catholic directory that was using another script over to phpLD. Now that I'm using the script, I'm loving it. I especially like the email function. I have been sending link exchange requests to catholic churches to request link exchanges, and I'm getting several links per day now. I couldn't be happier. Thank you so much!



### **Phpld - Rocking Script for directory owners.**, Jan 3rd, 2007

Reviewed By: deluxdon

I'm using phpld script since long time for my several web directories. Have found it to be reliable, easy to install, and very easy to customize. I highly recommend it to others. All credit goes to David-owner of phpld script.



### **The Best Directory Script**, Apr 30th, 2007

Reviewed By: Fastian

I am not an old user of phpLD, started using it just a month ago & I think I made the right choice by getting it. The installations was easy as 1,2,3. Most of Admin options were self explaining. (A better documentation can help a lot) With quick category adder, it took me few minutes to have a complete directory structure.

So far, I simply love this script. Easy, stable, search engine friendly and with so much options to improve your directory experience. What else you need??



**phpLD version 3.2 I What a ride!!**, Apr 30th, 2007

Reviewed By: seo5000

I just wanted to make a couple of comments about this script! I am an SEO tech and I was very impressed with the smooth ride that you get on your way to rank land with the phpLD directory line, but then they came out with the new version 3.2 ! Unreal! These scripts are so user friendly and loaded with all of the latest SEO goodies as well as great features to boot! You can use the default script which is excellent, or is fully customizable as well to do just about anything!!

Thanks phpLD



**phpLD 3.2 is excellent!**, May 1st, 2007

Reviewed By: spiritfolk

I upgraded to phpLD 3.2 a few days ago with no problems whatsoever. I was very impressed by the new admin control panel and the many new functions incorporated into it; being able to have the option to integrate articles in with a chosen directory category is an excellent idea and links well with my main blog website (Spiritfolk.com), an example of a link to an article at <http://directory.spiritfolk.com/angels/>. If your looking for an excellent directory software then phpLD 3.2 is for you!



**Slow page loads, hard to change templates - Nothing Spectacular**, Oct 12

Reviewed By: gooseholder

What I didn't like on this is the extremely slow page loads. On submit pages my viewers would spend quite a long time for that page to load.

I thought this should be fast, cause it could drive away potential submitters.

As soon as another version came out, upgrading was a nightmare especially re tuning the existing template.

As for the features, most of the other vendors offer the same, so nothing special here.

Finally we went with another vendor and are much happier with them.



### **Templating is way too difficult.**, May 15th, 2008

Reviewed By: WebTrooper

Overall I'd have to say the scripts does what they say, though I haven't tested every aspect yet. The reason? I can't get past editing the template. I'm not a newbie at this, have templated lots of other scripts. But this one is complex to say the least. And although they boast about dozens of templates available, those are provided by third parties with their own licensing agendas. The developer should provide more templates for beginners, and not depend on third parties to fill this need.