

How to Install and Use Recipe Maker

About

Thank you for using Recipe Maker! This app lets you easily add beautiful recipes to your Wix website.

This guide will take you through how to install and use the app. The guide will be split into three parts: Installation, Set Up, and Usage. If you have already installed the app, you can jump straight to the Set Up and Usage sections.

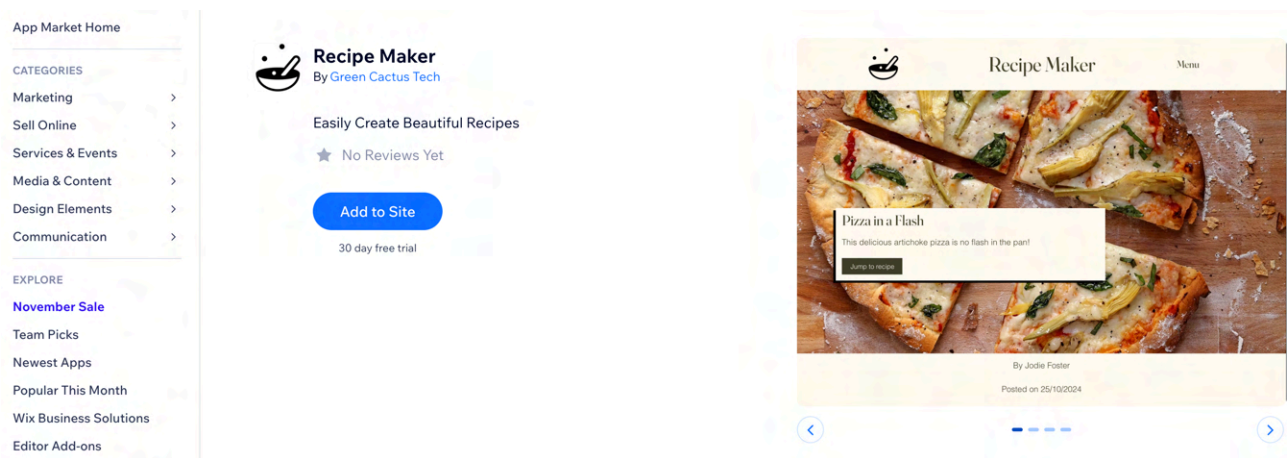
On any screenshots, look out for the bright red highlights to show you which part of the page is being referred to.

1) Installation

1.1 How to Install

To install the app, you must first visit the Wix App Market at <https://www.wix.com/app-market>

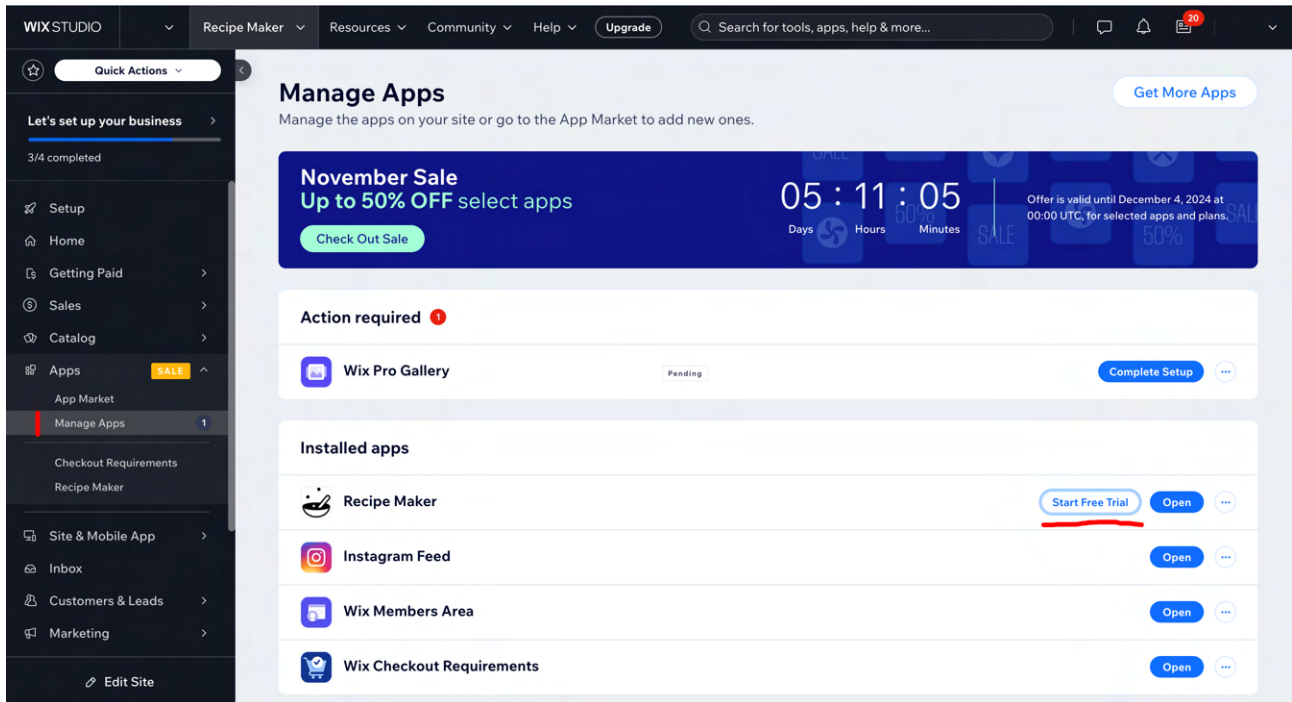
Here, you can search for the Recipe Maker app. Here's what it looks like in the Wix App Market:



You can then click on Add to Site, at which point you will be asked which site you want to install it on (if you own multiple sites). Congratulations, the app is now installed!

1.2 Free Trial & Payment

Recipe Maker comes with a 30 day free trial, so you can evaluate the app before you have to pay anything. To activate the free trial, log into your Wix website and go to the Dashboard for your site. The below image shows the the Dashboard, as well as where you go to start your trial (notice the red highlights):



As part of enabling the free trial, you will be asked to confirm your payment information; at this stage **no** payment will be taken. You are then able to try the app for free for 30 days - at the end of this 30 day period payment will be taken automatically by Wix.

If you are not satisfied with the app, you can immediately cancel the free trial at any point on your Wix subscriptions page. Note that you will only receive one free trial per Wix account.

2) Set Up

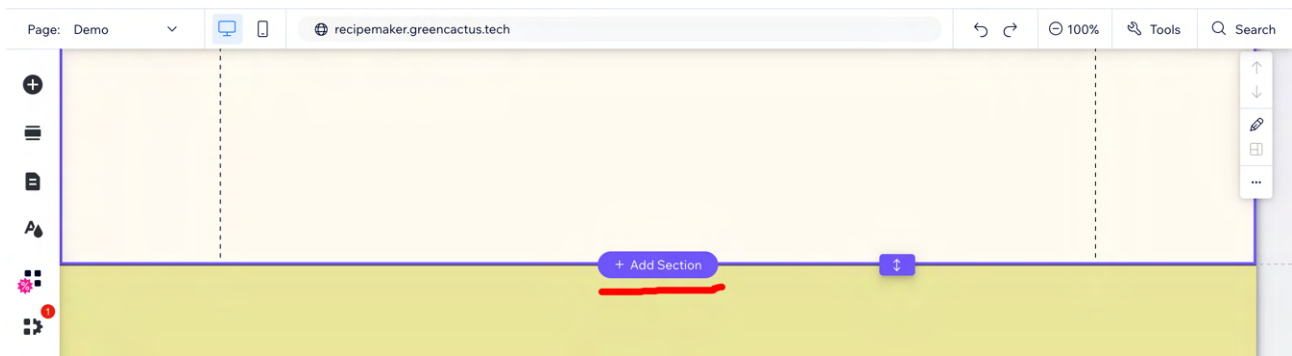
Now you have installed the app, we're going to run through how to use it. Look out for the red highlights on any images in this guide.

2.1 Adding Recipe Maker to a Page

The first thing to do is to add the Recipe Maker to a page (and of course, you can have Recipe Maker installed on as many pages as you like).

So, in the Wix page editor, open any page on your Wix site and create a new Section. If you already have a Section on your page, add a new Section underneath.

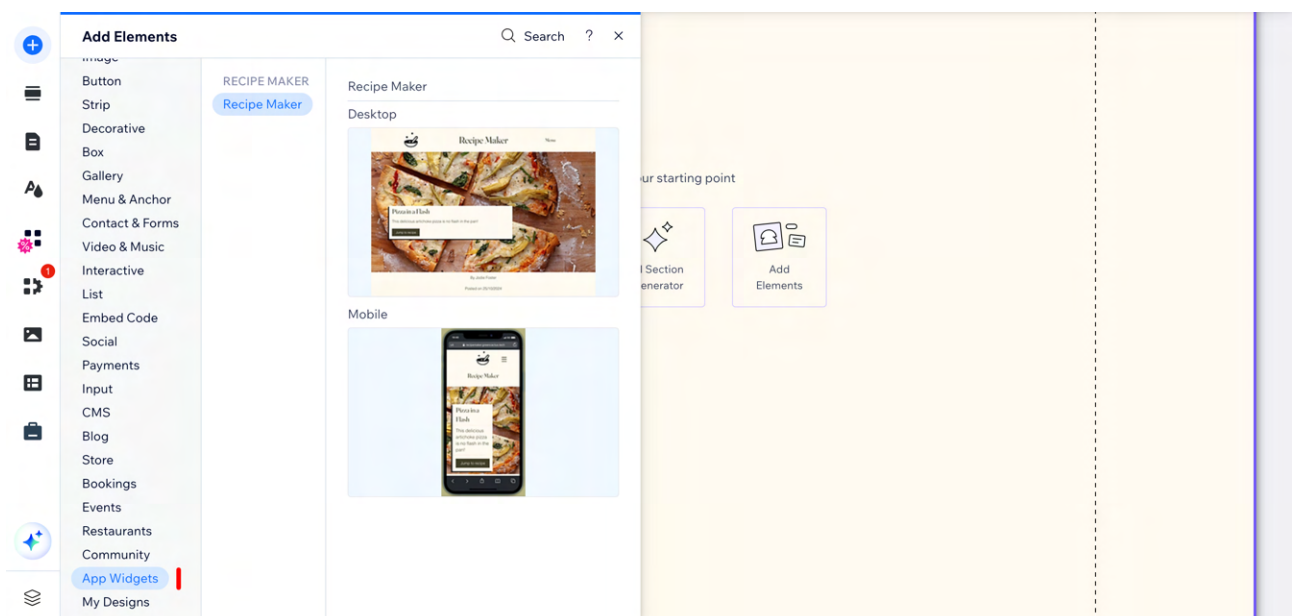
To add a Section, you usually go to the bottom of another Section, and when you hover over it with your mouse you see the '+ Add Section' pop up. Please see the following screenshot of this popup:



When you add a section, you'll be able to choose either Designed Section or Add Elements. At this stage, we recommend you to use Add Elements.

Both are going to lead to the same outcome, which is where we add the *App Widget* to the page. The App Widget is simply the official Wix name for Recipe Maker.

The below screenshot shows you where you will see Recipe Maker / the app widget:



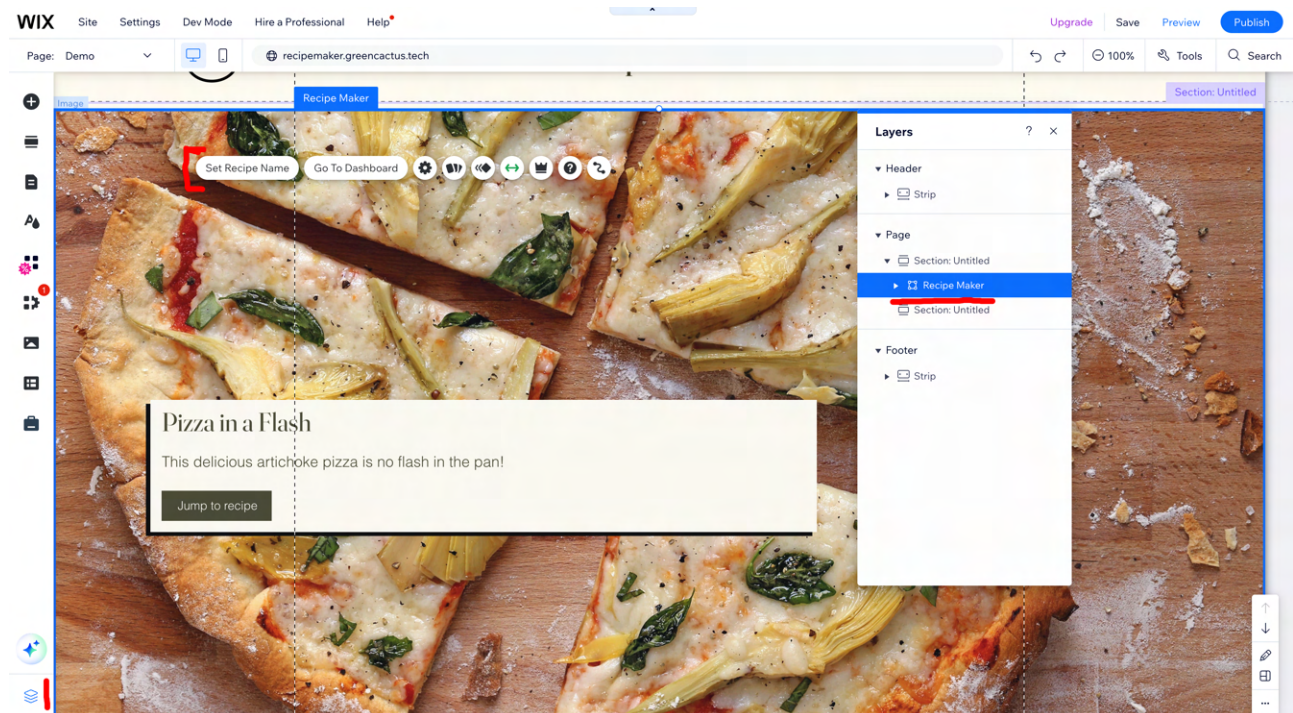
Click on the Desktop icon, and Recipe Maker will be added to your page! You'll notice that Recipe Maker shows the default Pizza in a Flash recipe - don't worry, you'll be able to change all this very soon!

Make sure you're happy that Recipe Maker takes up the full height of your Section, so there isn't loads of space at the bottom of the recipe.

2.2 How to Bring Up the Recipe Maker Controls

One important thing to know is how to find the controls for Recipe Maker. In theory, you click on Recipe Maker and the controls should just pop up - however, this is really tricky, as Wix may think that you are actually clicking on an image, some text, or something else. And if you click on an image, some text and so on, you get the controls for these, not for Recipe Maker!

So, here's our trick to getting to the Recipe Maker controls, every time:

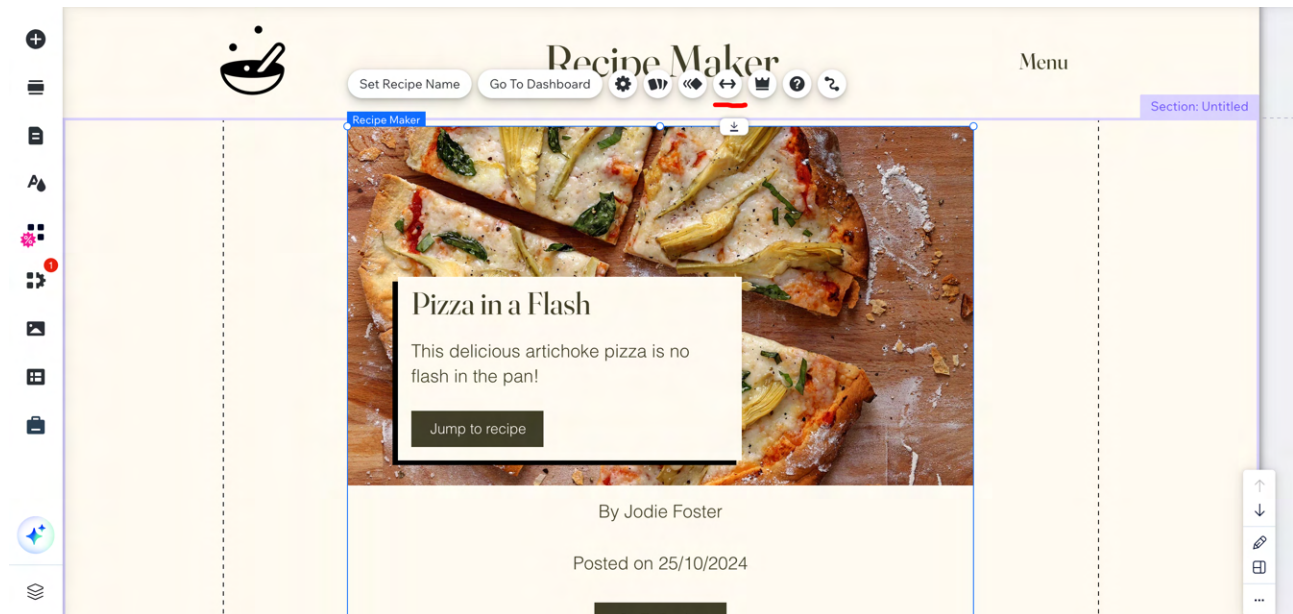


Notice that we have clicked on the layers icon in the bottom left corner. This brought up all layers in the popup window to the right, and you can see the Recipe Maker layer when you expand these. And from here, you click on the layer called Recipe Maker, and you'll be taken to the main Recipe Maker layer, which contains all the controls. Easy!

You'll know it has worked as you'll see the popup bar asking you to Set Recipe Name (which we'll come to later on), amongst other icons.

2.3 Make Recipe Maker Work on Various Displays

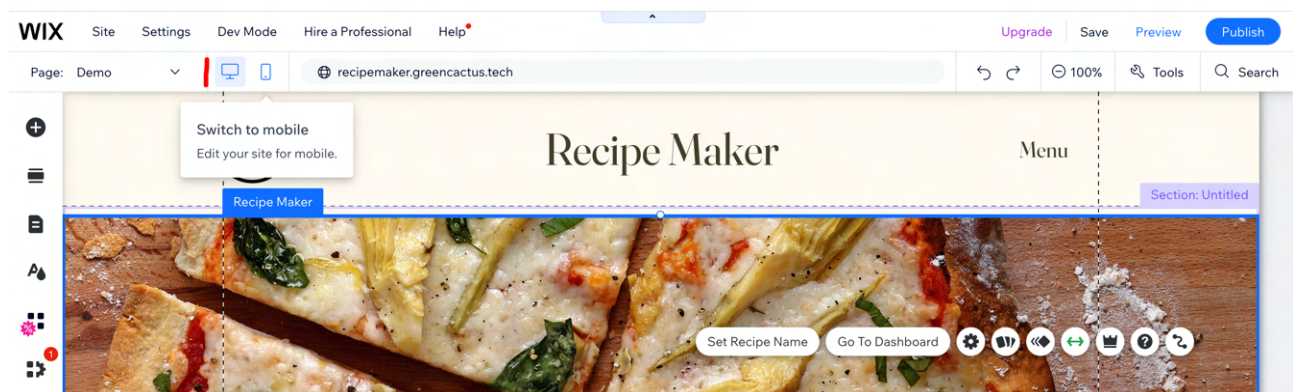
There's just a few more steps now until you can start adding ingredients. The first one is to decide if you want Recipe Maker to be full width. If you do want Recipe Maker to be full width, you need to click the double arrow icon (<—>) which pops up when Recipe Maker is added to a page. Here's a screenshot of this icon, so you know what to look out for:



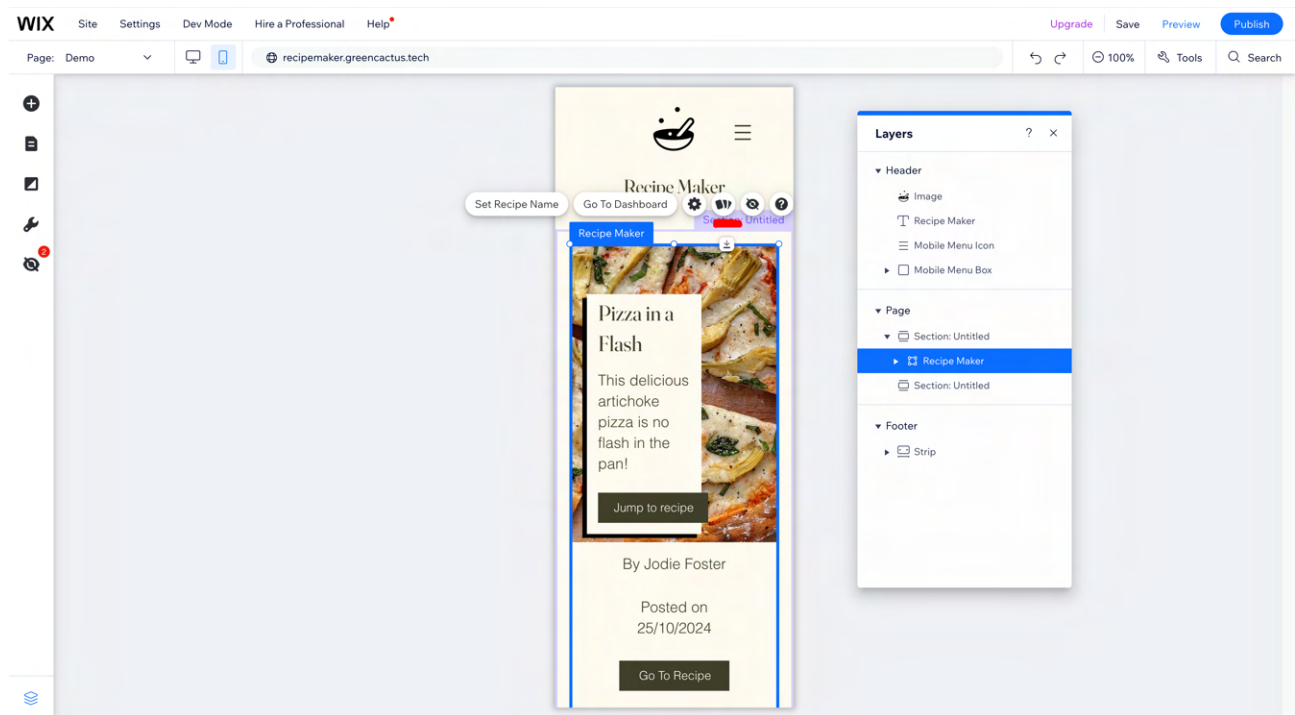
Choosing to enable full width is up to you, and you can change it later if you like.

And the final important thing is to enable Recipe Maker on different screen sizes. This step is crucial, as without this Recipe Maker won't display very well for users who visit your website on mobile devices and tablets.

So, to do this you need to first switch into the mobile view for your page. You do this by clicking on the little mobile icon near the top of the page. Here's a screenshot of the mobile icon:



One you are in mobile view, you'll see that the page will narrow to represent what a user on a mobile would see. From here, you need to click on the Change Preset icon. Here's a screenshot of how we opened this Change Preset icon:



Note that we used the same trick described in 2.2 get to the Recipe Maker controls, so if you skipped that you should pop back to that section of this guide!

When you click on the Change Present icon, you are asked to choose a design. Since you're on mobile view, click on the Mobile design. Make sure that all margins and so on are OK, and you're done!

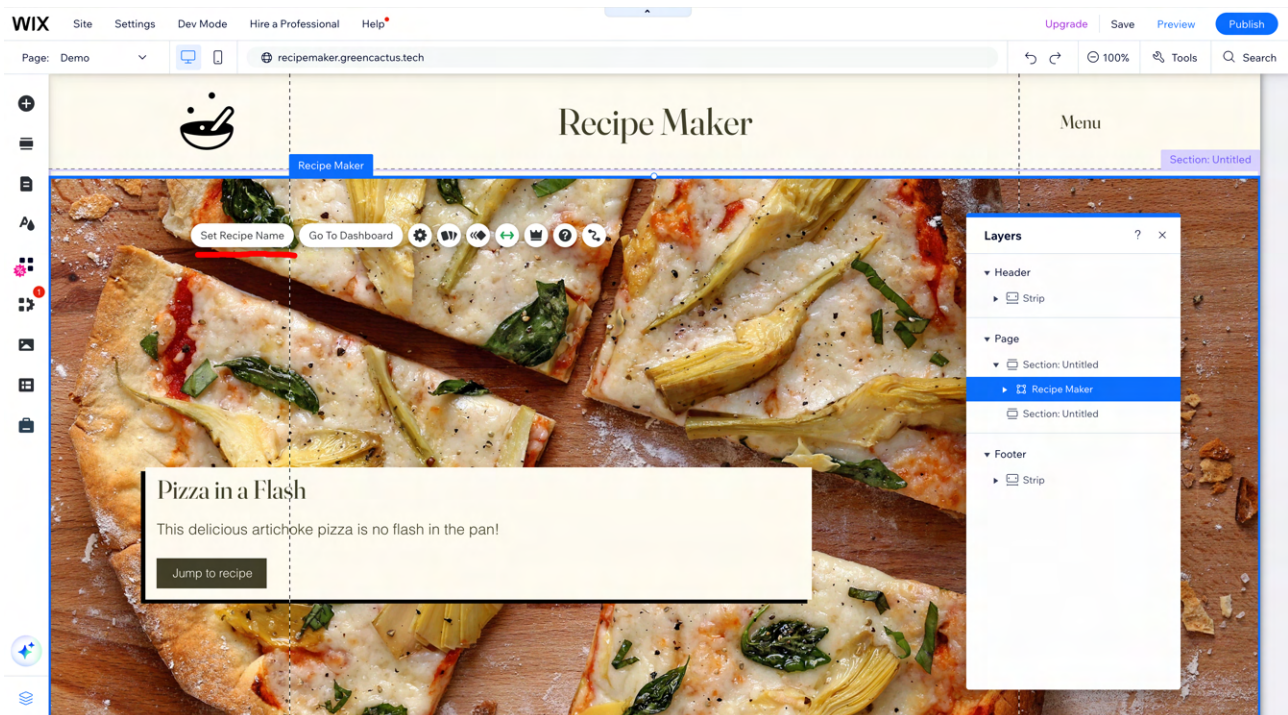
It's probably wise to hit Publish now, to ensure that all changes are saved.

2.4 Give Your Recipe a Name

So far, you've completed all the steps to make sure that Recipe Maker works on a page, and displays properly. But we've not added any ingredients yet, or made any modifications to the Pizza in a Flash recipe!

So, to do that, you must first give you recipe a name. This name is how the recipe is found in the dashboard, but is not displayed to the user anywhere. **It cannot be changed later on** (but so long as you know what it means, you can use whatever name you like - as we mentioned, your users won't ever see it).

So, to give the recipe a name, again we need to open the Recipe Maker controls. From here, we need to Set Recipe Name. Here's a screenshot of what we mean:



Click on the Set Recipe Name button, and another little box will open up. From here, type in a unique recipe name to distinguish it from all your other recipes, and it will be saved.

That's everything done for the setup, now let's add some more detail to this recipe!

3) Usage

3.1 How to Edit Your Recipe

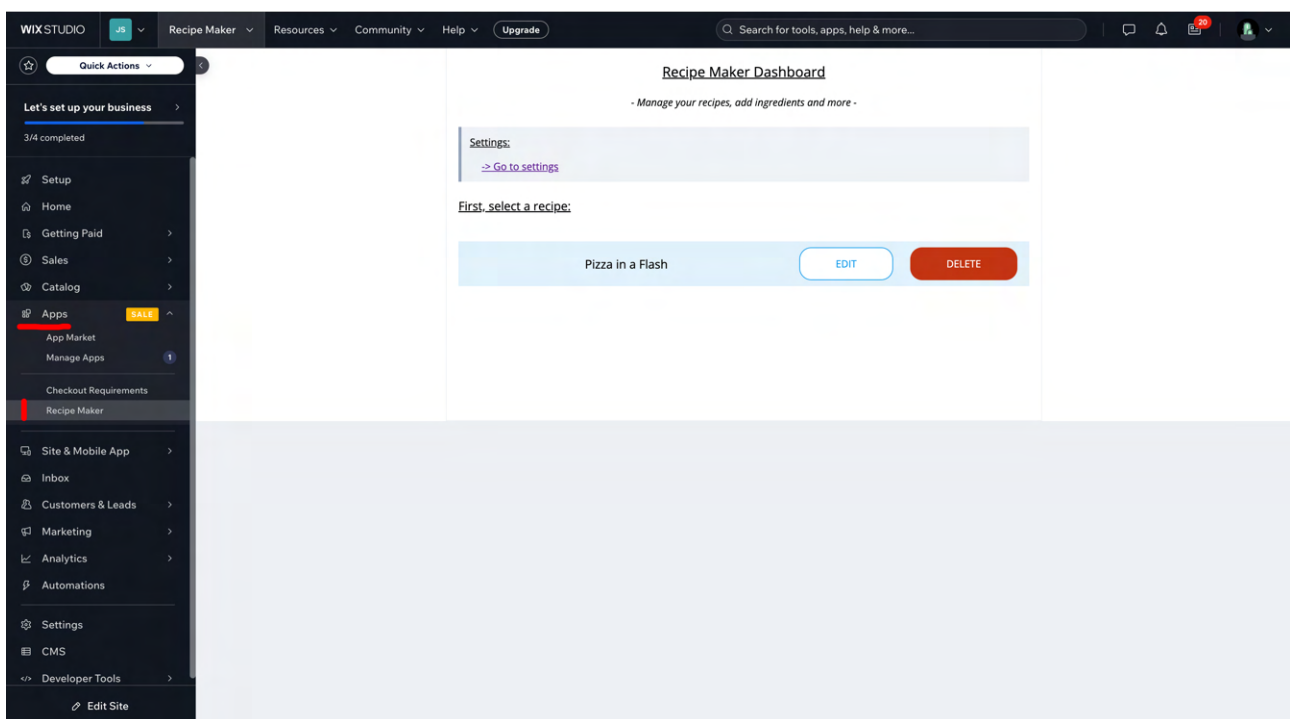
Editing a recipe is easy - you simply use the main Wix controls that you are familiar with to add or edit images and text. You can remove rows, and add or edit things as normal, which makes Recipe Maker incredibly flexible. It's just like using the normal Wix editor!

To delete a recipe, it's the same idea - simply delete the entire widget using the Wix editor.

3.2. Adding Ingredients

Adding ingredients is handled differently. The reason for this is, because Recipe Maker needs to allow users to toggle between US Customary and Metric units.

So, to add ingredients for your recipe, we're going to go to your site Dashboard and open up the Recipe Maker Dashboard. Here's a screenshot of where this can be found:



If you have named your recipe as detailed in 2.4, you'll see it listed here. You can then go into the recipe and add as many ingredients as you like, as well as set what ingredient groups these ingredients belong to (if any). You can always change or delete any ingredients you make, so go ahead and try playing around with it!

Any ingredients you set in the Recipe Maker Dashboard show on the page containing this recipe automatically, in the order you define them in the dashboard. Note that it may take them a little while to appear, as Wix saves them to speed up page load times.

Closing Notes

We hope you found this guide useful.

Recipe Maker is an evolving and growing project. If you have ideas for new features in the app, or if you have any thoughts on this guide (or anything else!) please reach out to us at admin@greencactus.tech

Once again, thanks for using Recipe Maker!