WP VR: Classic UI vs Modern UI

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WP VR has two tour editors: the **New UI**, a full-screen builder added in version 9.0.0 (20 August 2026) and now the default, and the **Classic UI**, the original editor that runs on the standard WordPress post edit screen. Both edit the same tours, so you can move between them without rebuilding anything.

	Classic UI	**New UI**
Also called	Old UI, legacy editor	Modern UI, latest editor
Where it opens	WordPress post editor (`post.php?post=ID&action=edit`)	WP VR's own editor page (`admin.php?page=wpvr-tour-editor&tour_id=ID`)
Default since	Before 9.0	9.0.0
Status	Still supported	Active development; new features land here first

How to switch between the editors

The editor choice is one setting for the whole site, so switching changes the editor for every user, not just you. Ask a site administrator to make the change.

From the New UI to the Classic UI

1. Go to **WP VR > Tours**, or open any tour in the New UI.
2. Click **Back to old UI** inside the tour editor.
3. The tour reopens in the WordPress post editor, and the notice now reads "You are using the classic WP VR editor."

From the Classic UI to the New UI

1. Go to **WP VR > Tours**, or open any tour in the Classic UI.
2. Click **Switch to New UI** in the notice at the top of the screen.
3. The same tour opens in the full-screen New UI editor.

What to know before you switch:

- Your tours are not converted or copied. Both editors read and save the same tour data, and the shortcode `[wpvr id="X"]` stays the same.
- If you switch while a tour is open, WP VR takes you straight to that tour in the other editor.
- Save or publish your changes first. Unsaved edits are not carried across.
- When you first update to 9.0 or later, WP VR moves the site to the New UI once. After that, it keeps whichever editor you choose, even after you deactivate and reactivate the plugin.
- Closing the switch notice hides it only until the page reloads.

FAQ

Will switching editors break or change my published tours?

No. Both editors save the same tour data, and visitors see the same tour whichever editor you use.

Do I need to recreate tours I built in the Classic UI?

No. Open any existing tour in the New UI and keep editing.

Is the New UI a Pro feature?

No. Both editors are part of the free WP VR plugin.

Can each user choose their own editor?

No. The choice is one site-wide setting, so it applies to every user.

Why can't I see the switch button?

Only administrators can switch editors. Ask a site administrator.

Will the Classic UI be removed?

RexTheme has not announced a date. The Classic UI is still included and supported in WP VR 9.3.2.

My shortcode was created in the Classic UI. Do I need a new one?

No. `[wpvr id="X"]` keeps working, as do the Gutenberg block and page builder widgets.