

Google Wave Cheat Sheet

The Complete Guide to Wave Commands



Things we will be discussing :

Google Wave
in Layman's
Terms

Google Wave
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Terminology

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Let's see what is Google wave, exactly?

Google Wave in Layman's Terms

What is Google Wave ?

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Wave Features



Google Wave in Simple Terms

- Gmail + Gtalk + Picassa + Gdocs = Gwave - Mailing service
- A wave is mixture of text, pics, videos and maps to communicate between people.
- Shared between people of your choice.
- Participants can edit the wave content at any point of time in real time.
- Wave is actually a threaded conversation.

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New Terms

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Google Wave Terminology

- **Wavelet:** Subset of a wave i.e. a small threaded conversation within a large conversation
- **Blip:** A single or individual message. Blips make wavelet and wavelets make a wave.
- **Extension:** mini-applications that work within wave. Example - Games, polls etc.
- **Gadgets:** External applications that uses Google's OpenSocial Platform. Like Gmail gadgets, facebook applications etc.
- **Robots:** Automated Participants in a wave for doing pre-defined jobs like providing information from wiki.

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Google Wave Basic Search Operators

SEARCH KEYWORDS:

- **about:[keyword]** — finds waves which have [keyword] occurring anywhere. Same as [keyword].
- **title:[keyword]** — finds waves which have [keyword] in the title.
- **caption:[keyword]** — finds waves which have an attachment where [keyword] occurs in the caption.



Google Wave Basic Search Operators

SEARCH STATUS:

- **is:read** — finds all read waves.
- **is:unread** — finds all unread waves.
- **is:mute** — finds all muted waves.
- **is:unmute** — finds all waves not muted
- **is:active** — currently the same as is:unread.
- **is:note** — finds all waves which have you as the only participant and contributor



Google Wave Advance Search Operators

SEARCH PARTICIPANTS:

- **from:[address]** — finds waves from the participant identified by the address. Special case of from:me identifying waves from yourself.
- **by:[address]** — same as from:[address].
- **to:[address]** — find waves which are a dialogue between you and the participant identified by the address.
- **with:[address]** — find waves that have the participant identified by the given address explicitly listed.
- **owner:[address]** — find waves by person, that they created.
- **only:[address]** — finds waves to which only the participant specified by the given address contributed.



Google Wave Advance Search Operators

SEARCH DATE:

- **past:[date term]** — finds all waves in the last period.
- **previous:[date term]** — finds all waves in the period before the last period.
- **before:[date term]** — finds all waves before a certain period.
- **after:[date term]** — finds all waves after a certain period.
- **past:[Ndays]** — finds all waves before N days.
- **past:[Nweeks]** — finds all waves before N weeks.
- **past:[Nmonths]** — finds all waves before N months.
- **past:[Nyears]** — finds all waves before N years.



Google Wave Advance Search Operators

SEARCH FOLDERS:

- **in:[folder name]** — find waves in the folder with the given name.
- **in:[search name]** — find waves in the saved search with the given name.
- **is:unfiled** — find waves which have not been moved to a user folder.
- **is:filed** — find waves which belong to some user folder.



Google Wave Advance Search Operators

SEARCH ATTACHMENTS:

- **has:attachment** — finds waves with an attachment. This changed from “is:image”.
- **has:document** — finds waves with an attachment which is a document. (coming soon)
- **has:image** — finds waves with an attachments which is an image. (coming soon)
- **caption:[keyword]** — finds waves with an attachment with caption containing [keyword].
- **filename:[keyword]** — finds waves with an attachment with filename containing [keyword].

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Wave Embeds

Drag-and-Drop

Playback



Google Wave Features

- 1) **Gadgets and Robots:** Make wave more interactive by Gadget, just like facebook apps and Robots like Gtalk bots. Games, Maps, Twitter and much more withing a single application.
- 2) **Drag-and-Drop:** One of the best feature of Wave. Just drag and drop your files and you are good to share with all participants. Whats more? Dropping media files lets you preview them instantly.
- 3) **Playback:** Understand better by play-backing a conversion. How did it start? How did it go? And how it ended? All in one go.



Google Wave Features

- 4) **Wave Embeds:** A Wave can be easily embedded into a website/blog, making it easy for you to communicate with your users.
- 5) **Open-source:** Anyone can use wave API and make their own applications and versions.
- 6) **Real Time:** See what someone else is typing, character-by-character.
- 7) **Google Wave can auto-correct your spellings and auto-translate sentences on the fly.**

Thanks!

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