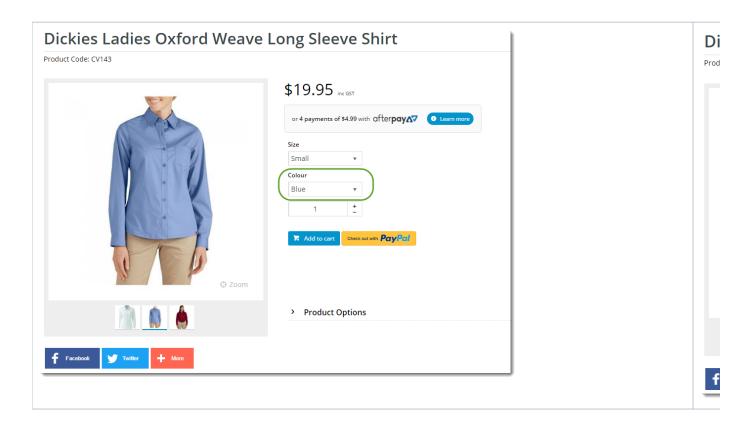
Product Image Switching with Tags

Overview

Product images can be tagged in the CMS so that the image in the gallery changes when your customer selects a style or colour option. An example of image tagging in action is shown below.

This long sleeve shirt is available in several different colours. When the user selects a colour from the dropdown list, the image automatically changes (as long as there is an image tagged to match that colour option).



To take advantage of this image tagging, all you need is a master product with multiple images loaded (or have images against your child products), and tags on each image to match the product option / variant.



If your child products have images already loaded, you can tell the CMS to update the master with those images and tags *automatically*! You must be on version 4.04.01+ and enable the option to '**Update Master Products with Child Images**' in the Product Variant feature settings. " This guide shows you how - Automatic Image Tagging for Variants

If you're not yet on version 4.04+ or haven't got your images tagged, read on...

Step-by-step guide

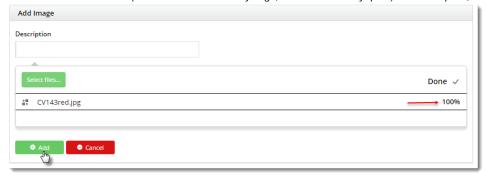
If you already have all of your product images uploaded, all that's left to do is tag those images. The steps below will guide you through, whether or not your images are already in the CMS.

- 1. In the CMS, navigate to Products & Categories Product Maintenance.
- 2. Search for your master product and click 'Edit'.
- 3. Scroll to the Media section where product images are displayed.

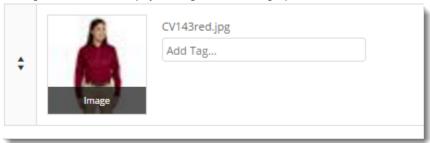
- a. If all required images for this product are already there, go to step 7.
- b. otherwise, continue to the next step to upload your images.
- 4. Click 'Upload Image', then 'Select Files' to browse to your image file.



5. Select the file and let it load (unless the file is unusually large, this should be very quick). Once complete, click 'Add'.



6. The image thumbnail will be displayed, along with an 'Add Tag' input field.



7. Now, we add a Tag to the image. The tag should match a variant value of one of the child products (e.g. "Red").

Note - if you're using Integrated variant maintenance, see our guide on Variant Tags for additional info.



For those of you using **Online** variant maintenance mode, scroll to the 'Master Product' section of the maintenance page and click '**Show Existing Child Product Attributes**' to see the options for your product.



- 8. Repeat the above steps to upload / tag remaining product images.
- 9. Click 'Save' or 'Save and Exit' when finished.



Feel free to add multiple tags to an image if required. Say your product has 3 options: style, colour, and size. There could be one image for 'Relaxed fit' in Red, and another for 'Slim fit' in Red.

In that case, one image would get the tags 'Red' and 'Slim fit', and another image would get the tags 'Red' and 'Relaxed fit'. As long as the wording of the tags matches the options the customer selects, the image switching will work.

Voila!

Load your product page in another browser (or incognito tab), and admire the way the image automatically updates as you select from different options.

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