

### This is a Stub

Tiki and Xaraya, both projects share various similarities probably coming from the fact they were born in the same era of Post-Nuke CMS projects bloom. Both projects were founded in 2002. Both use 3 column layout with header and footer. Both use concept of modules, plugins and overall highly customizable framework.

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#### Similar

- Both are free and open source web applications written in PHP which use a database such as MySQL (Xaraya supports Postgres and SQLite too).
- Both can run on standard, inexpensive PHP enabled hosting.
- Both use jQuery.
- Both are fully internationalized.
- The Tiki Community has a [DogFood](#) philosophy and so does **Xaraya** - to some extent they use their own software for their community/project website including various modules such as the one for user wiki.
- When Tiki is upgraded, all the features are supported and the upgrade is smooth. In **Xaraya** it is very similar.
- In Tiki, forums and social networking are done with built-in (optional) features. So does **Xaraya**, they have xarbb module for forums (based on PHPBB ?), dynamicdata module similar to Tiki's tracker feature, data hooks, complex roles (like Groups and Permissions in Tiki), etc.

#### Different

- Tiki is Wiki-centric, whilst **Xaraya** is more CMS (based on unpublished 0.8 branch of PostNuke, but completely rewritten). Please see (if) [Why Wiki Syntax Is Important](#) to your project.
- **Xaraya** is GPL, Tiki is LGPL. [The main difference between the GPL and the LGPL is that the latter can be linked to \(in the case of a library, 'used by'\) a non-\(L\)GPLed program, which may be free software or proprietary software.](#)
- Both projects started on CVS VCS but while Tiki moved to Subversion **Xaraya** moved to Monotone.
- Differences in themeing
  - Tiki uses the [Smarty](#) template engine (which has many [benefits](#)), and by default, Smarty security settings prevent the use of PHP in Tiki templates, but you can override this if you need. Xaraya uses own XML/XSLT based templating engine called BlockLayout - both try to separate content and data logic from the layout.
  - Xaraya seems more strict regarding the development code and has developed a [lot of RFCs](#) for its XML based system
- Tiki is a very large and popular SF.net hosted project (over [250 contributors to main code base](#) and over [900 000 downloads](#)) and **Xaraya** has for the same time span only [about 250000 downloads](#) and just few core developers.

#### Find The Best Comparison

<http://web-cms.findthebest.com/compare/35-38/Tiki-Wiki-CMS-Groupware-vs-Xaraya>

#### CMS Matrix

Compare them at <http://cmsmatrix.org>

#### Active contributors

Number of contributors who made changes to the project core source code each month.



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#### Related links

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#### Alias

- [Xaraya](#)
- [TikiWiki vs Xaraya](#)