

Alternatives to iGoogle

Google has announced that the iGoogle website homepage will go away on November 1, 2013. Google says that “with modern apps that run on platforms like Chrome and Android, the need for iGoogle has eroded over time.” Some of the alternatives are listed below in alphabetical order:

All My Faves
igHome
My Yahoo
My MSN

All My Faves – Website is www.allmyfaves.com. All My Faves provides hundreds of links to websites in a vast array of subjects. It will save you from having to put them into your bookmarks. You can make some modifications, but it is mostly links to websites.

My Yahoo – Website is <http://my.yahoo.com/>. To get the full function of this website, you must sign in with your yahoo user name and password. If you use Yahoo as your main email account or if your online calendar is in Yahoo, you might be interested in this homepage. It also uses Zap-2-It for their TV Listings which is very customizable.

My MSN – Website is <http://my.msn.com/#>. To get the full function of this website, you must sign in with your Hotmail or Outlook.com user name and password. If you use Hotmail.com or Outlook.com as your email and have an Outlook online calendar, this may be the website for you.

igHome – Website is www.ighome.com. **This website is probably the closest to iGoogle that I could find.** It is clearly inspired by iGoogle and tries to closely imitate it. You can add gadgets for various subjects. I found setting up this website was painstakingly slow, but once set up, it seemed to work very well. Most of the gadgets that are available in iGoogle are available here also and the number seems to be increasing daily.

To create a igHome account go to www.ighome.com and select **Create a New Account**. Use your current gmail address and select a password.

Clicking on the gear on the top right hand corner allows you to log into your igHome Profile and gives you the ability of import from iGoogle (before it goes away).

Import Gadgets and Feeds from iGoogle

Instructions

1. Go to your [iGoogle settings page](#)
2. Scroll to the Export/Import section at the bottom of the page.
3. Click "Export" and save the file. The name of the file should be iGoogle_settings.xml.
4. Use the form on this page to upload the file and import your gadgets.

Note: Not all gadgets and feeds may be imported. This feature is only intended to help you start creating your igHome page. After importing, use the igHome gadget directory to find additional gadgets to complete your page.

Depending on the number of feeds and gadgets, it may take several minutes to process. Please be patient.

To manually add gadgets, click on the blue Add Gadgets button on the top of the screen. Gadgets are listed by categories and also have a special category of US Cities which will provide specific information on Las Vegas. There is also a search function for finding specific gadgets. Each new gadget added will be placed in the upper left hand corner of your igHome screen but can be easily moved by grabbing the gadget and dragging it to the area that you like best.