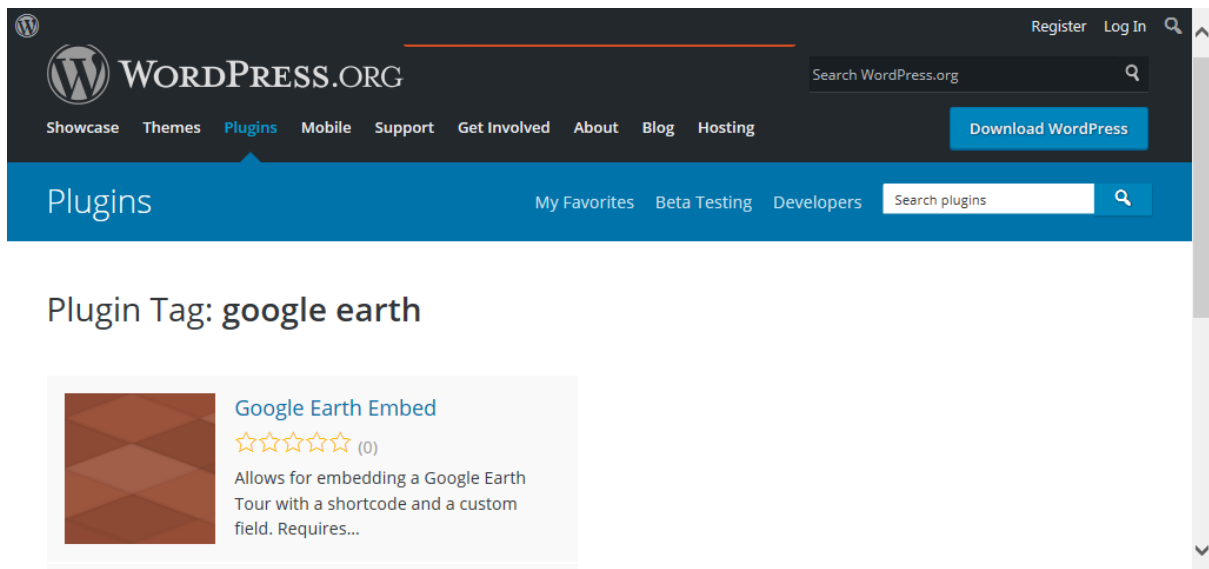


This week you will explore how maps can be used in WordPress. Including maps with coordinates on your website can provide a powerful way of communicating spatial information to your audience. WordPress can provide maps either through the GoogleEarth plugin or the GoogleMaps code snippet.

See if you can get GoogleEarth to work for you!

Please go to <https://wordpress.org/plugins/tags/google-earth/>

A screenshot of the WordPress.org website showing the 'Plugins' section for the 'google earth' tag. The page header includes the WordPress logo, 'WORDPRESS.ORG', and navigation links like 'Showcase', 'Themes', 'Plugins', 'Mobile', 'Support', 'Get Involved', 'About', 'Blog', and 'Hosting'. A search bar for 'Search WordPress.org' and a 'Download WordPress' button are also visible. The main content area is titled 'Plugin Tag: google earth' and features a plugin card for 'Google Earth Embed'. The card shows a brown geometric pattern icon, the title 'Google Earth Embed', a star rating of 0, and a description: 'Allows for embedding a Google Earth Tour with a shortcode and a custom field. Requires...'. There are also links for 'My Favorites', 'Beta Testing', and 'Developers'.

See also:

<https://wordpress.org/plugins/google-earth-tours/>

How to install the GoogleEarth plugin:

1. Upload the 'google-earth-embed' folder to the /wp-content/plugins/ directory
2. Activate the plugin through the 'Plugins' menu in WordPress

BUT

Google has made it difficult to embed a new Earth Tour into a WP post. This plugin uses a combination of a shortcode in the post and a custom field for the tour file to display the tour. It is good that you experimented to see what happens when trying out different plugins that aren't fully functional.

For the purposes of using maps more easily we will use the Code snippet for Google Maps as an alternative:

- [googlemaps] embeds Google Maps. [» Full instructions](#)

By clicking on the **Full instructions** link you will be shown how to use Google Maps within WordPress to access maps with spatial coordinates from anywhere in the world.