



GroupVille Groupware Feature Summary - Shortlist

GroupVille 2.1 is a web-based Groupware / Collaboration system storing its data in a central SQL database on a server. This short feature list highlights GroupVille features in software version 2.1 and above. It does not list optional modules.

Pending features shown in red colour. For more and updated information on certain features, please visit www.groupville.com

General GroupVille Features

Linking system (Internal "Links" and Internet Bookmarks)

- Automatically creates links between objects and/or users (bi-directional), Users can also manually link additional objects
- Filter links by category (filter by default and custom categories, eg. News, Events)

Notes (attached to objects, collected in a "Discussion" about the object/file)

- Attach notes / discussions to any GroupVille items (viewable by all people with access to that object/file)
- Storage of Documents attached to objects and notes

Keywords

- Set keywords for object groups
- Keyword templates

Subscription engine

- Set subscription templates for calendar, tasks and any other items - in addition, you can set subscriptions to single items
- Change subscriptions notifications to be alerted by either e-mails, internal messages and **RSS feeds**

Templates

- Private templates (set up by every user) and public templates (set up by admins)
- Fast creation of new items and object

PDF output / PDF reporting

- Filter GroupVille file/object lists and create PDF files
- Customize PDF reports (layout, number of columns, optional comments...)

Drafts-Active-Archive Status for Items/Files

- Simple Workflow lifecycle for GroupVille objects/files (admins can move items: Draft -> Active -> Archive)
- Set publication start and end dates to set the duration of the "Active" period and to optionally "auto-archive" items

Features for GroupVille admins

Administration

- Web-based setup and administration
- Predefined Sub-administration groups (contacts, news, calendar...) to relieve the main admins
- Create global templates for all users (roles, keywords, categories...)
- Import of user data

SQL-92 database for central storage

- All Data is stored in one location including files for centralized and secure backups
- Database (Frontbase SQL 92) can be password-protected and/or encrypted for additional security
- Other SQL database systems are available upon demand

GroupVille is Java Application server software

- Programmed in Java, extensible upon demand to be linked with other J2EE software or server authentication systems
- Deploy using J2EE containers (Apache Tomcat 5.5.12+) or WebObjects application server

Advanced administration

- Customizable layout (color layout, header, footer, login page)
- Set language per user and access privilege settings
- Set login deadlines (useful for temporary workers and/or interns)
- Static HTML login page redirecting (to blend GroupVille to existing public and Intranet pages layout)

Features for GroupVille users

Welcome page

- "Dashboard" with overview on most recent development such as open tasks/subscriptions/alerts

Messaging

- Internal Messaging
- Webmail/POP3: Poll your existing POP3 e-mails (various accounts possible, color codes per account)
- Send SMS to users and contacts to over 140 countries (sending SMS requires additional credits purchase)
- Share e-mails by account with other GroupVille users (eg. sales@mycompany.com)

News and FAQ items

- News lifecycle (drafts, active news and archive)
- HTML formatting (no HTML knowledge needed)
- Importing news (RSS 2.0 format)
- News publishing dates and deadlines
- Attach picture and picture description to news items
- Approve or reject news and FAQ items proposed by external people (with no access to GroupVille)

Chooser (Pop-up window) and Drawers (quick access to objects with expandable sliders on the left of the browser window)

- Pop-up with quick list view of People, items and bookmarks
- Import personal bookmarks (from Explorer or Navigator) to MyBookmarks
- Most recent items list to quickly add people
- Quick browsing of all items and persons stored in GroupVille (eg. by My People, roles, A-Z list view)

Personal settings

- Set current location and timezone
- Bookmark any object (session independent, checks access)

Wiki

- List all Wiki pages listed from A-Z
- Highlight the most important Wiki pages and track "isolated" Wiki pages (pages with no links to other Wiki pages)

Discussion board

- Threaded discussion(s) with pagination

People (Users and/or Contacts)

- Add personal groups and contacts (My People, My Groups)
- Export in CSV or v-Card format
- Various addresses per person (even various per address type)
- Predefined templates for countries and contacts
- Link contacts (individuals) and companies/organizations
- Group access privileges (by default, all people are seen by everyone)

Memos

- Attach personal memos to any object/file in GroupVille
- Default memo labels (call back, to be done...)

Tasks (Personal and Shared Tasks)

- Task Option 1: Personal tasks (ToDos)
- Task Options 2 and 3: Simple Tasks and Complex Tasks (Simple Project Management, a collection of 1-n simple tasks)
- Inviting task workers (peer management style) and/or Assigning workers (top-down management style)
- Track time used per task in time slices (minutes, hours, days...) in sub tasks ("work items") and tasks
- Work items: 1-n optional steps with instructions and work notes by task workers inside tasks
- Complete tasks automatically ("auto-complete") or manually (task owner reviews and approves task)

Trouble tickets (Tasks for Customer Care)

- Track customer issues with individually assigned ID numbers
- Collect customer feedback/history automatically (customer e-mails) and/or manually for each trouble ticket

External proposals (public URLs accessible by external people)

- Collect and approve FAQ and news proposals from external contributors in GroupVille

Calendar

- Personal filters (My Events...) and Custom calendar categories set up by admins
- Text view (7 days, 14 days, 1 month) and/or Graphical view with bars (1 day, 7 days)
- Invite external people by e-mail (with no access to system) to events
- Set special calendar filters (Examples: by birthday, by room, by resource) for contact and asset management

Personal assistant (Personal administration settings)

- Set personal language, start page, Chooser (pop-up window) preferences and font/colour settings
- Set access privileges to personal items by other users (eg. your calendar)

Data Import/Export (data standards used in GroupVille)

- Files: WebDAV (full WebDAV implementation to follow in GV 2.2, GV Data)
- Files: Browser-based plugins for multiple file uploads (in addition to browser-based single file uploads)
- News: RSS 2.0 and/or XML scheme
- People: vCard
- Calendar: iCal/vCal

Sync

- Palm Sync for Tasks, Memos, People and Calendar (for Windows and Mac clients)

GroupVille Mobile Client

- Access your most GroupVille data from any device with a standard HTML browser (mobile, smartphone or PDA)
- Both Layout and Data amount optimized for mobile devices and browsers (eg. about 320 x 200 pixels resolution)