# Wiki entry instructions

Creating a wiki entry for your fauna is easier than it seems, at first. This document will show how to create a basic wiki article.

Step 1: After discovering your species take several screenshots. I recommend at least 3. Get a shot of both genders of the fauna if you're able but if not, it's not a huge deal. Examples:
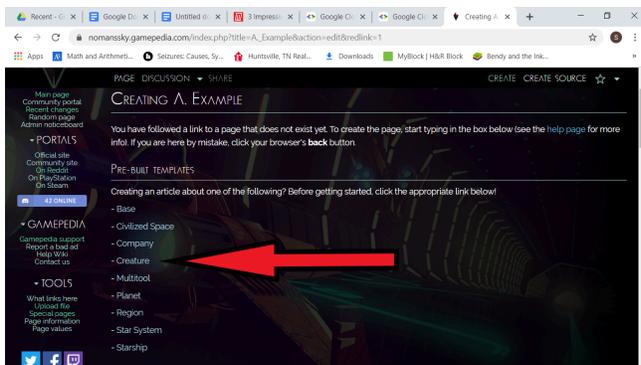
Step 2: Go to https://nomanssky.gamepedia.com and in the search bar, type in the name of your species.
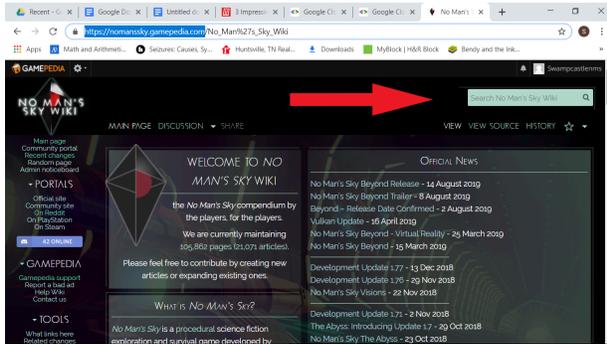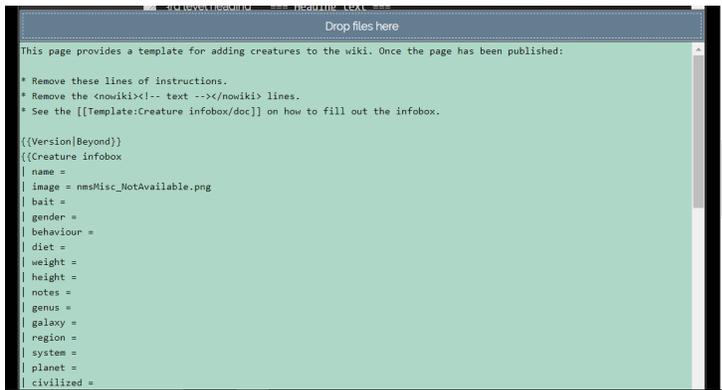

You'll get results with red text asking whether you want to create the page "your species name". Click this.
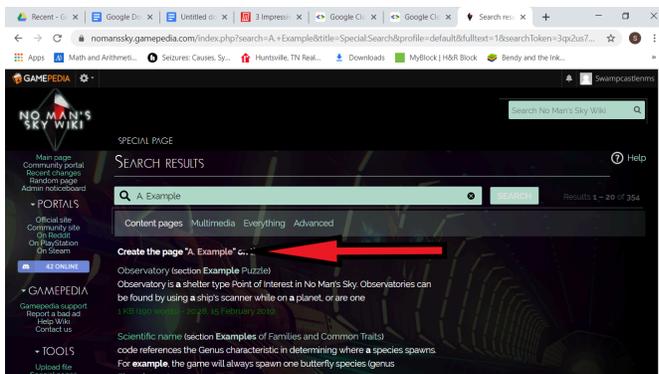
You'll get the option to choose from several templates. Choose creature.

This is where you want to be. This is where you create and edit your article.

Step 3: Data Entry

The first thing to do is to highlight the text at the top of the template. Its only instructions so go ahead and delete it and replace it with {{GHub}} brackets and all. This will put a banner at the top of your article showing that the species was documented by the Galactic Hub Project. This will also make sure your entry counts toward The Wiki Initiative.
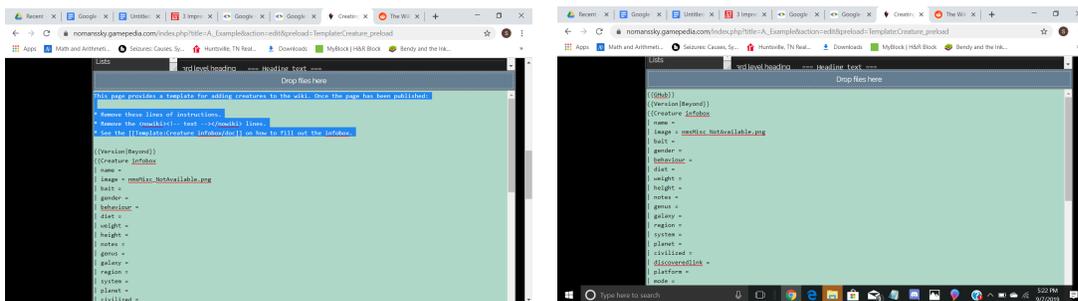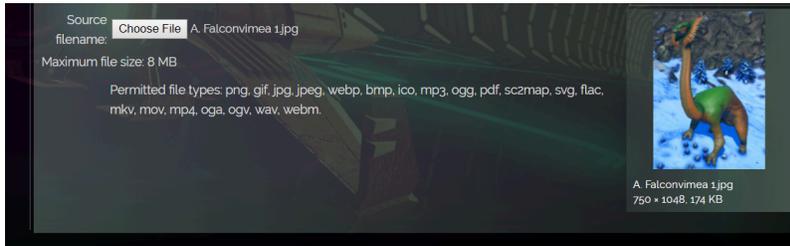

Now it's time to upload your first picture. On the left side of your screen, you'll see "Upload File" near the bottom of the list of links. I'm assuming you're on PC for article creation so right click and choose open in new tab.
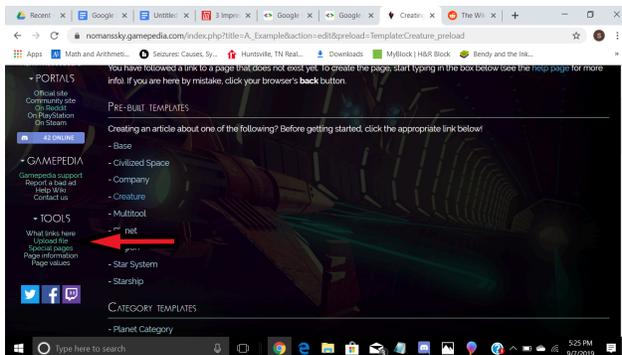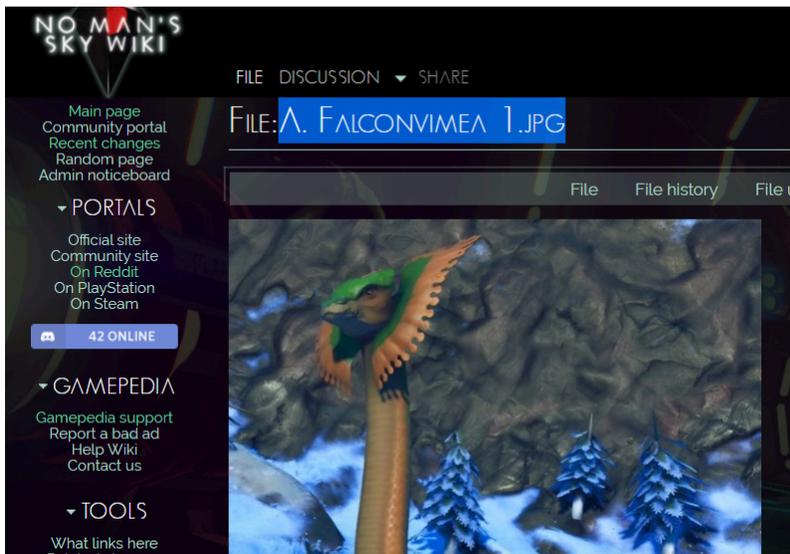
When the tab opens you'll select "Choose File" and select the main image you want to represent your species.

After selecting the file, scroll to the bottom and choose upload file
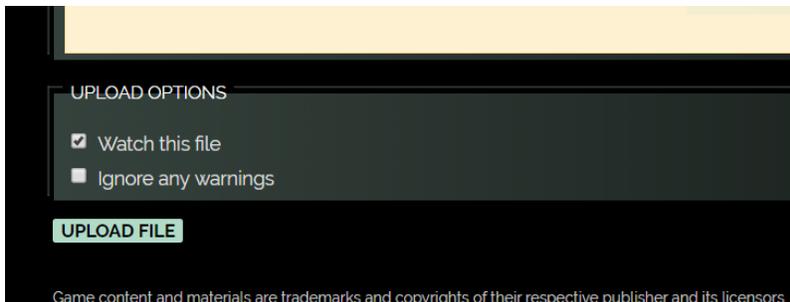
Once the image uploads, highlight and copy everything after "File:"

Go back to your original tab but leave this one open.

Paste the file name, in the "image=" section, for example image=A. Example.jpg

From here, it's just a matter of typing in the information you collected from the creature info graphic while scanning. It should look something like this when all the info is filled in. While it's not mandatory, we strongly suggest you use the default procedurally generated creature name but if you choose to add a custom name we ask that you do so using this format: *"Procedural Name (Custom Name)"*. This makes it easier for other platforms to confirm an existing discovery.

Note about Genus: Some genus types are more difficult to define than others. Bos vs. Conokinis, for example. Here is a link to the genus types that are in the game. If you're unsure of what genus your fauna falls into you can contact a GHEC or in #botany-n-zoology on our Discord.

Now we can move on to the more "creative" section of your wiki entry - mainly the Summary. This is where you unleash your inner scientist/researcher. **You** are defining and describing the characteristics of this species. Be descriptive, see what sounds good and share with us. Don't be afraid to really describe in minute detail if you see fit. This is where you make a name for yourself beyond initial discovery of the species. This is an example of a diplo article that I created:

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                3rd level heading    ===  Heading Text  ===

                              Drop files here

==Summary==
'''A. Falconvimea''' is a [[creature]] in the [[No Man's Sky]] [[universe]].  This is an extremely hard to find
creature due to their solitary nature and the massive size of each individual's range on planet "Victory".

This creature is an arched-back [[Rangifae]] and would be classified as medium sized compared to some of the larger
specimens of this [[genus]].  Its skin is bright green along the anterior side of its head and the anterior superior
side of the thorax.  The anterior head, neck, thorax, abdomen, and full tail are brownish orange.  The creature has
[https://cosmosmagazine.com/biology/why-do-some-animal-eyes-have-horizontal-pupils horizontal pupils] indicating that
at some point in its evolution it faced predation to a greater degree than the species is now subject to.  This eye
configuration is present in the Earth creatures that are mainly herbivorus prey animals.  The presence of frills,
similar to an Earth [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chlamydosaurus frilled-neck lizard], seems to support this though
these could be an adaptation to channel sound to the creature's small, pointed ears. '''A. Falconvimea''' has the
hooved rear legs / finger-like forelegs combination which appears unique to arched-back diplos.


===Gender Monomorphism===
Research has shown no difference in appearance between the Orthogonal gender and the Alpha gender in this species. Both
coloration and body structures appear identical other than the alpha specimen being 0.1m larger.

===Discovery Menu Notes===
Found on planet Victory, where they wander the freezing fog and deep snowdrifts.  Possessed of a tremendous natural
strength, they fear no other creature that walks upon this world.  Filtering gills inside their cheeks allow them to
suck up water and extract nutrients from algal blooms.
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Now, we'll go over what all those apostrophes, brackets, and = do:

[[Article Name]] - Creates a link in your wiki article to another wiki article. For example, I might say, "This [[Rangifae]] is the largest ever discovered in the [[Galactic Hub Project]]." This will create links in your article to the articles on the Rangifae genus and to the GHub page. Only link to each article once per wiki entry. You don't need 5 links to the Galactic Hub Project in a single article.

==Contents Entry== - Putting text between double = creates a section of your article that will be clickable in the contents box.
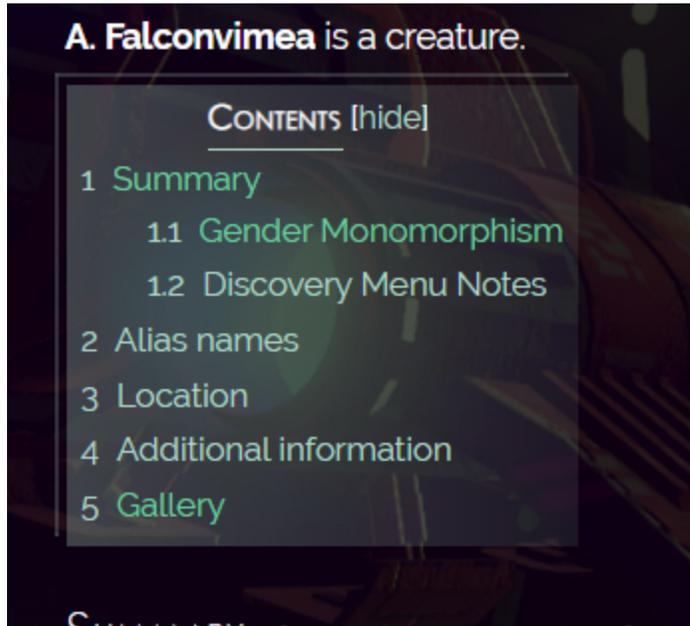
That's how you get the numbered entries in the content index. To get the Sub Catagories eg. Gender Monomorphism use 3 = like:
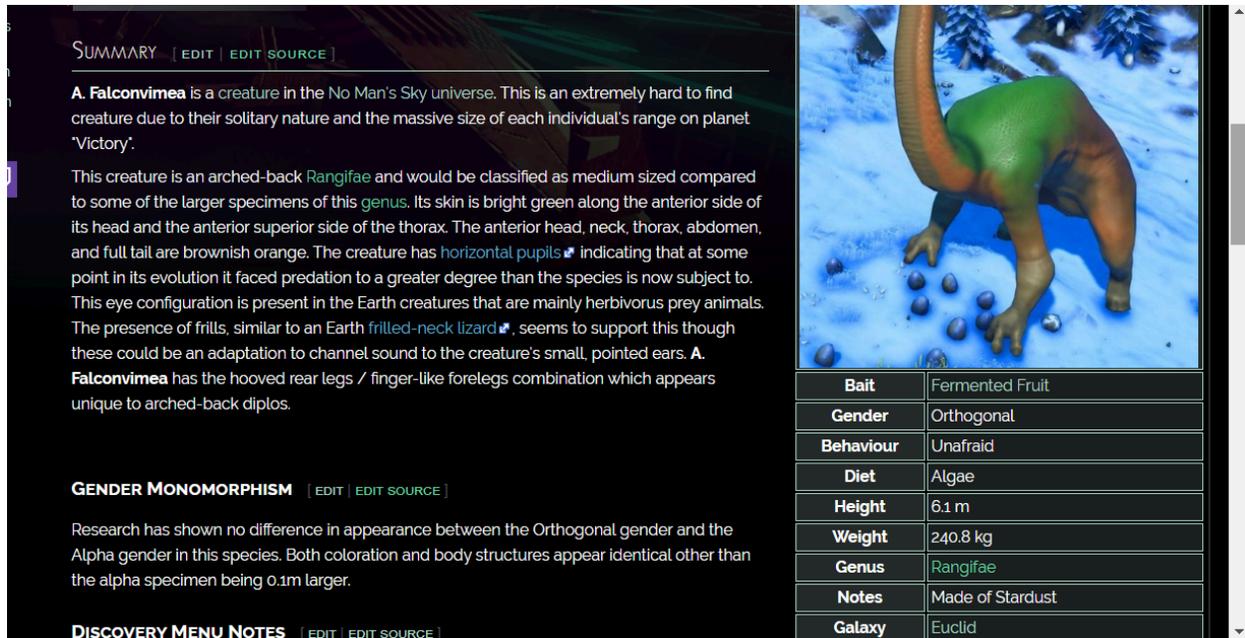==Summary==
Summary info.
===Gender Monomorphism===
Info on gender

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chlamydosaurus frilled-neck lizard] from the article outputs a link to a wiki-external site. In the example of my article, it links to a normal (non gamepedia) article on frilled neck lizards.

'''Bold Text''' **-** using a triple apostrophe bolds any text contained inside. This is useful if, for example, you're referring to a species, region of space, or civ that you've previously linked to in the article using the bracket method [[article]] from above. Remember, we don't want multiple links to the same info.

''*Italic Text*'' - using double apostrophes makes the contained text display in italics.

When all these simple tools are used together, this is what you'll get:

Alias Names: The next section you'll see will concern the "Alias" or name of your creature. There is a sentence enclosed in <> telling you to enter the original name of the creature. Remove this. The section will default to this:

To enter your creature's name, change the "DefaultName" to whatever name you uploaded for the creature in game. On the second line, delete the platforms other than your own. In other words, if you play on PS4, remove PC and Xbox. This is how it should look:

You'll get this output:

Location: Here is an example of a properly entered location:

Take the coordinates (note the use of {{coords|0430|0078|0D56|0166}}) you've collected using your signal booster and enter them into an online portal address converter. Personally, I use Xaine's, found here.
Using the coordinates in the pic you get this:
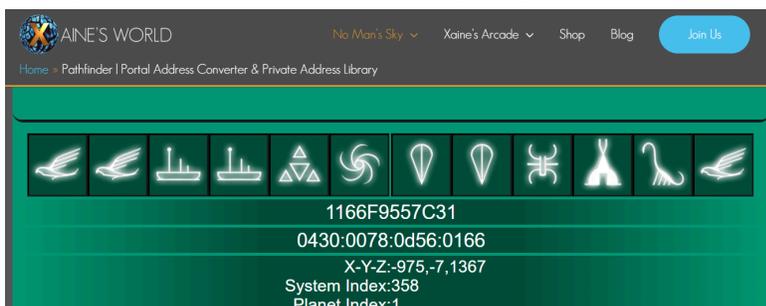
The string of numbers directly under the glyphs is the portal address (explanation here) {{gl|portal address}} will post the glyph graphics to your article.
Together, you'll get this:

Gallery:

By default, you'll see:

Go ahead and remove all the text between the <gallery></gallery> tags. It's just a placeholder. You should still have your other tab open to upload files. Go there. Click on Upload File again and repeat the upload procedure for your remaining pics. Copy the file name just like before and between the gallery tags enter them in this format (you can use various pic formats):

<gallery>
Picname.jpg|Description of the pic
Picname2.jpg|Description of pic2
</gallery>

If you don't want a description, leave the section after | blank

Like so:

Result:

Lastly, you'll see this little section at the bottom of your article:

Since we're going to focus on properly categorizing fauna, go ahead and remove the [[Category: Fauna]] and everything to the right of it. You can replace "PlanetName" with the name of the planet

Preview your article:
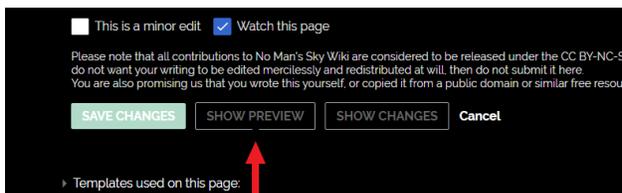
Click "Show Preview". This will show a copy of what a user will see when they view your article. If you like how it looks, click "Save Changes" and you're now a wiki editor!

Final Step: Please post a link to your article on the [Galactic Hub Reddit](https://reddit.com)!

Remember, if you hit a snag you can always go to Google and search for "(topic you're having trouble with) gamepedia help wiki" or ask here on the subreddit.