Introduction to Linked Terms (Pro)

This feature requires the Pro version of the Taxonomies plugin

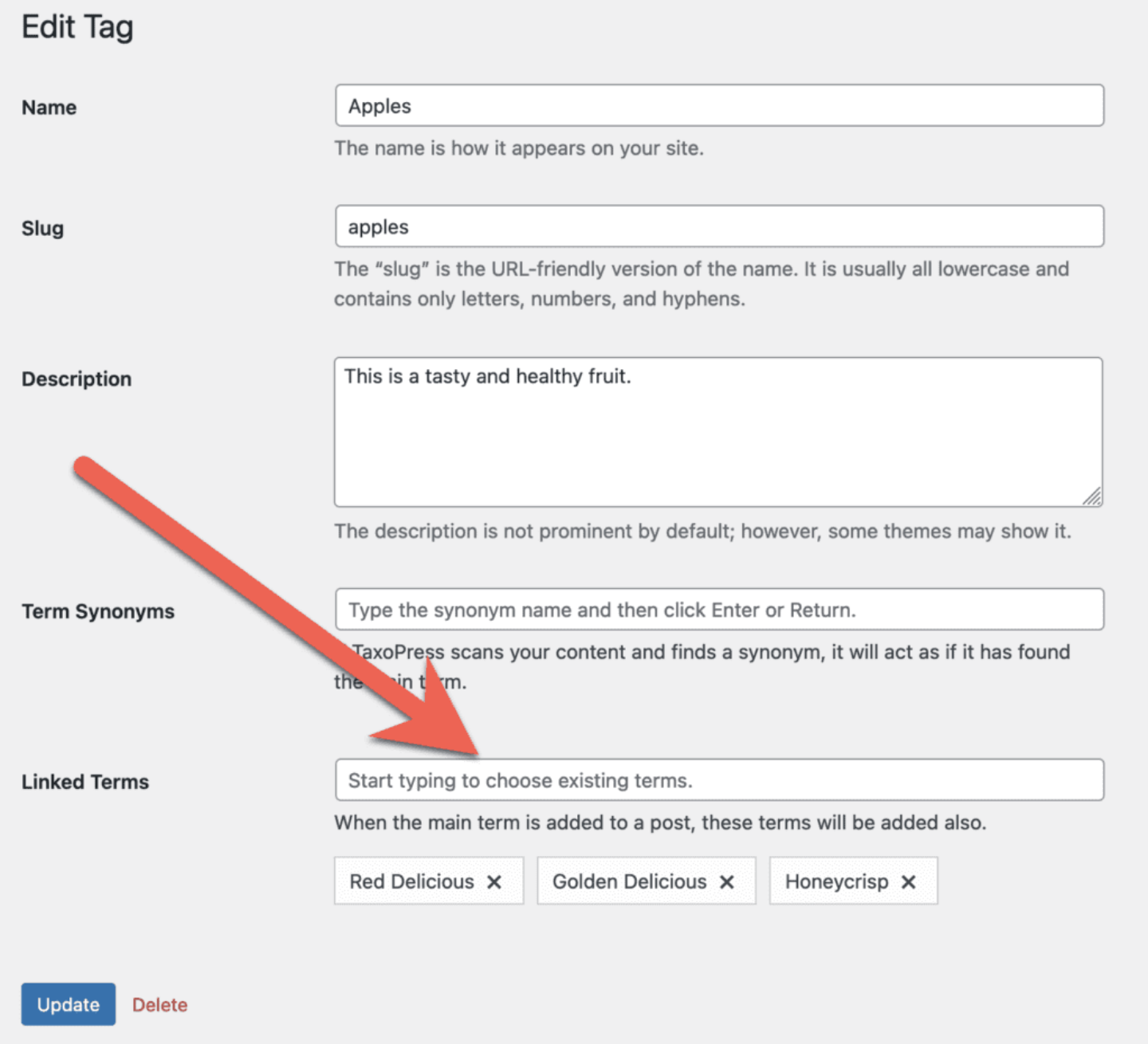
"Linked Terms" is a feature in Taxonomies Pro that allows you to connect terms. When the main term is added to a post, the linked terms will be added also.

For sites with a lot of terms, this feature makes it easier and quicker for your users to add the correct terms. For example, if you add the term "WordPress" to your posts, Taxonomies can automatically add Linked Terms that include "CMS", "website", and "website design".

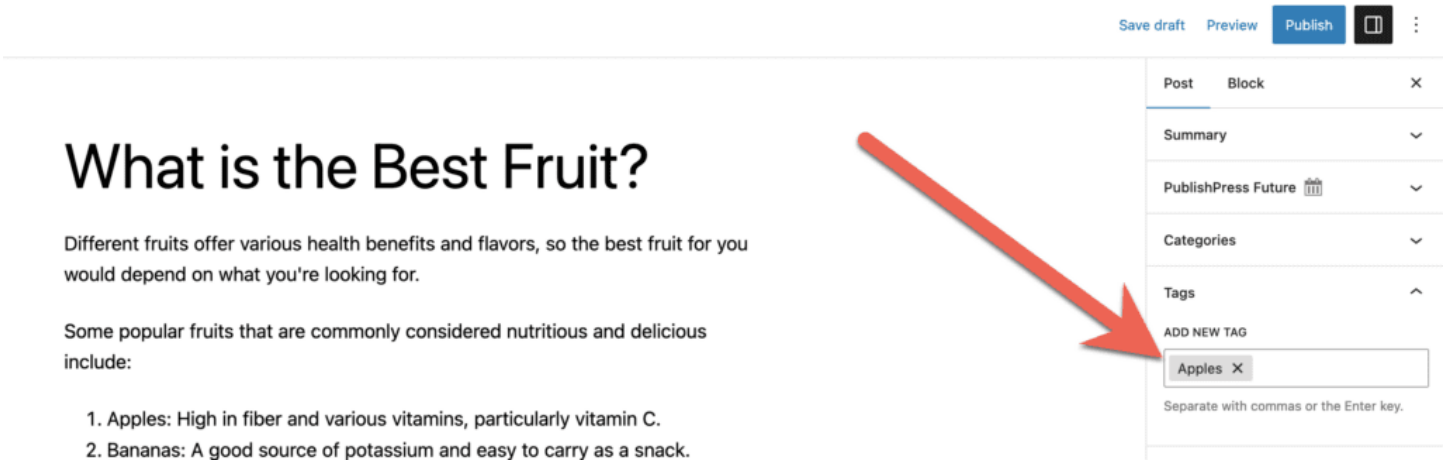
How to Use Linked Terms

I'll show you an example of how this Linked Terms feature works. Imagine you have four terms: "Apple", "Honeycrisp", "Red Delicious", and "Golden Delicious".

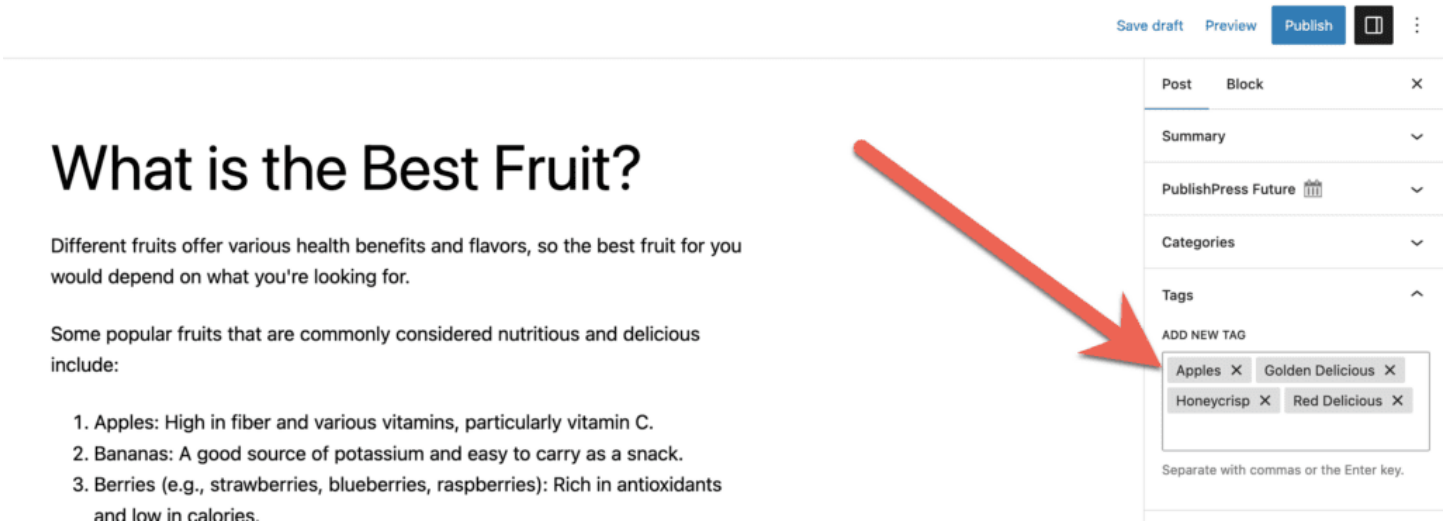
You can edit the "Apple" term, and select the other three terms as "Linked Terms". In the image below, you can see I've added "Honeycrisp", "Red Delicious", and "Golden Delicious". You can link terms across all the taxonomies on your site. For example, you can link a Tag to Category. Or you can link a WooCommerce Product Category to a WooCommerce Attribute.



Now, whenever the term "Apples" is added to a post, Taxonomies will automatically add the other terms too. In this screenshot, I've written a post about fruit and have added the term "Apples".

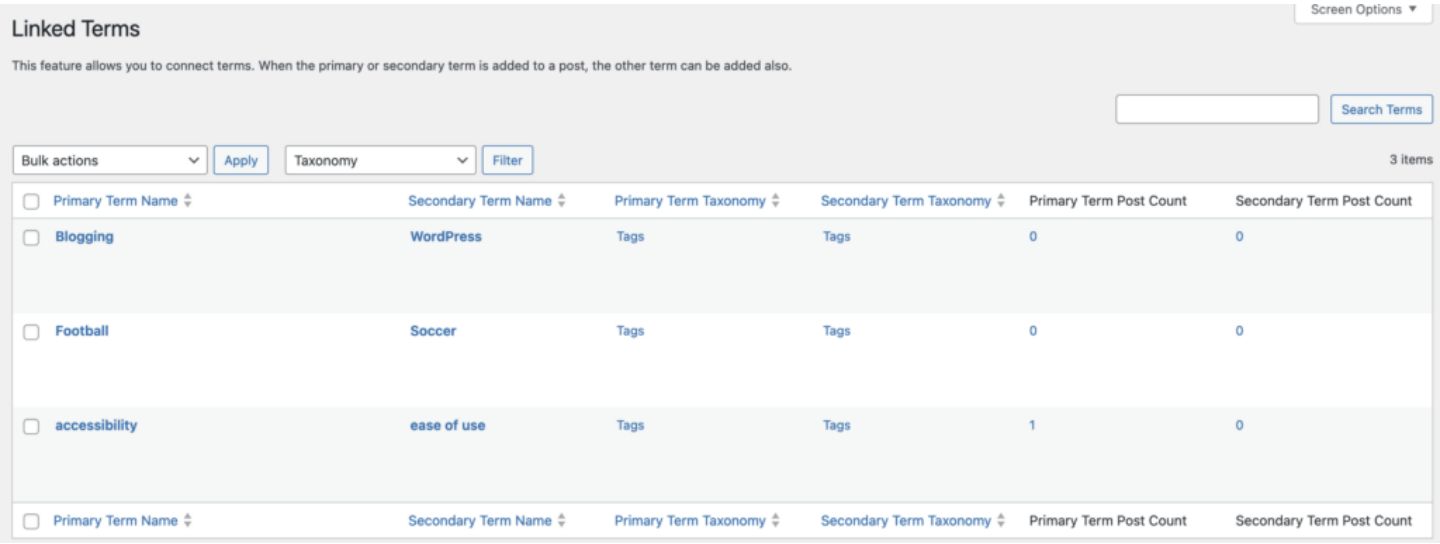


When I save the post and refresh the page, all three Linked Terms have been added to the post:



Linked Terms Screen

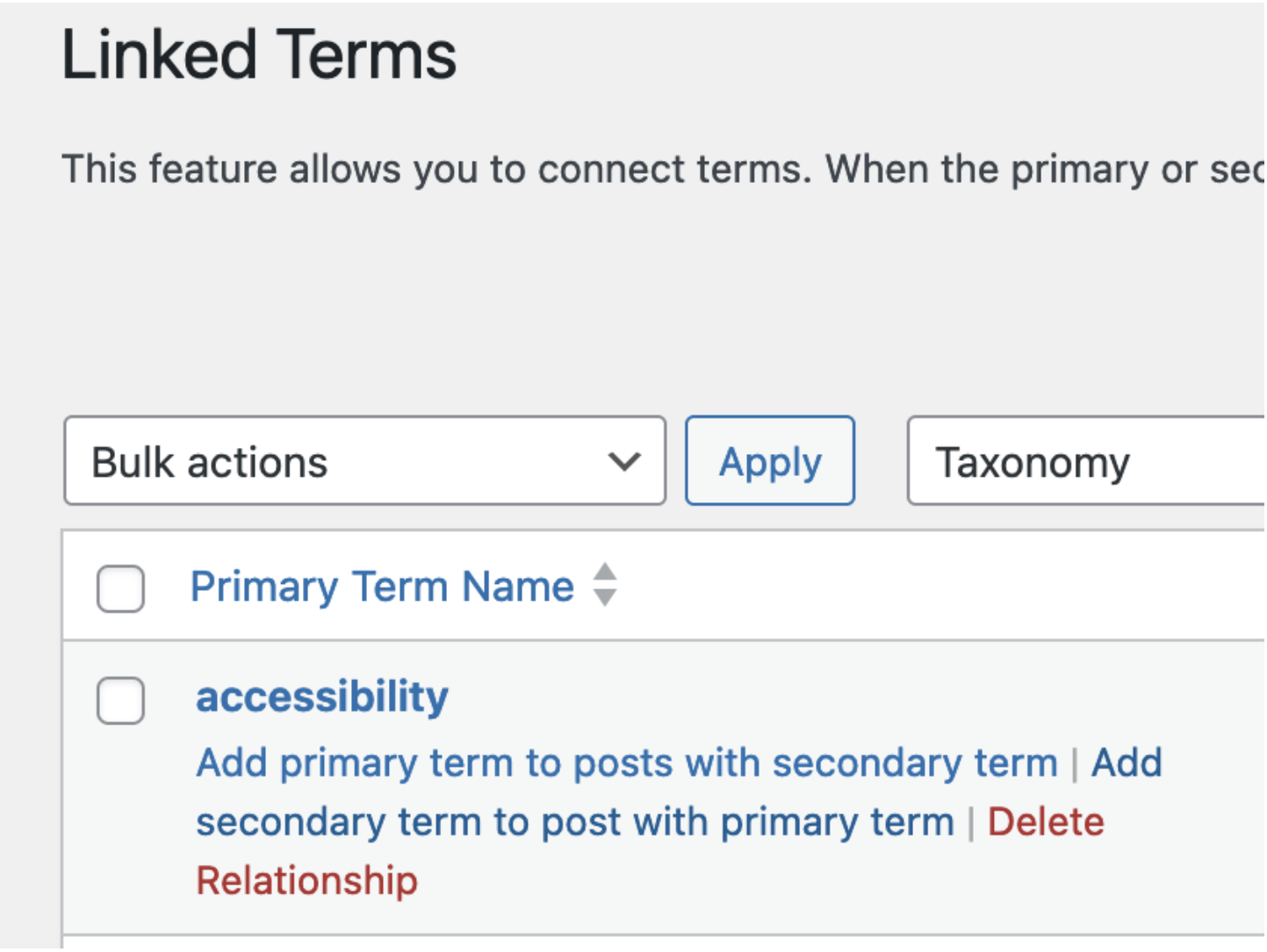
There is a "Linked Terms" screen in Taxonomies Pro which makes it easy to manage these connections.



linked terms screen

This screen has several options for managing the relationships between Linked Terms:

- Add primary term to posts with secondary term
- Add secondary term to posts with primary term
- Delete Relationship



linked terms links

Linked Terms Options

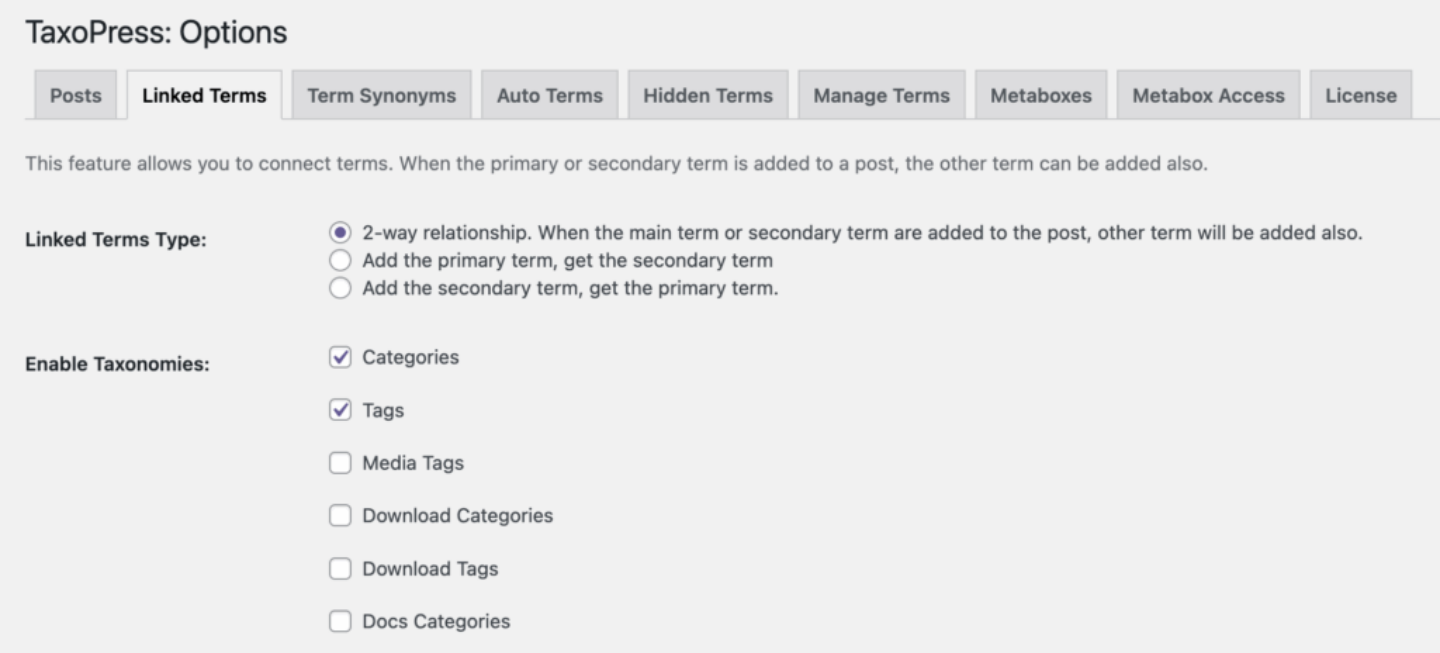
It’s possible to customize the relationship between Linked Terms. Go to the "Settings" area of Taxonomies and click the "Linked Terms" tab.

Here you can choose with taxonomies to use with Linked Terms.

You can can also choose how this feature works. Imagine you have a main term called “Fruit” and a linked term called “Apple”. You can decide between multiple options:

- **2-way relationship**: When either “Fruit” or “Apple” is added to a post, the other term is added also.

- **Add the primary term, get the secondary term**: When “Fruit” is added to a post, the other term is added.
- **Add the secondary term, get the primary term**: When “Apple” is added to a post, the other term is added.



linked terms settings