

W3 total Cache a nice wordpress "all in one" wordpress Caching plugin

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In my recent question of looking for best ways to optimize my wordpress blog, as well as other wordpress based websites, I'm managing I've come across a great plugin called **W3 Total Cache** or **W3TC** as it's widely known among wordpress geeks.

The full caching wordpress solution in face of *W3TC* is already actively deployed among many major wordpress powered websites, to name a few:

stevesouders.com, mattcutts.com, mashable.com

I gave a try **W3 Total Cache** and was amazed about the rich caching functionality it provides. Having the *W3TC* plugin installed adds a whole menu on the left wordpress admin panel reading **Performance** , clicking on it shows a menu with thorough choices on numerous things which deal with the running of wordpress on the server.

Here is a screenshot on the menus *W3 Total Cache* provides:

 **W3 Total Cache** by W3 EDGE®

One or more plugins have been activated or deactivated, please [empty the page cache](#) and check the [minify settings](#) to maintain the desired user experience. [Hide this message](#)

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The plugin is currently **enabled**. If an option is disabled it means that either your current installation is not compatible or software installation is required.

The plugin has support for html caching, sql caching, CDN, CSS and Javascript compress & minify etc. To test the plugin adequately I disabled **HyperCache** and **Db Cache**. My observations is that with **W3TC** wordpress renders php and the overall user experience and download times in wordpress are better. Therefore I'll probably use only **W3 Total Cache** as a cacher for wordpress installs. Besides that I had some issues on some wordpress based websites with the Db Cache SQL caching. On these websites after enabling **Db Cache**, suddenly page edditng of the created existing pages started returning empty pages. This could be due to the fact that these wordpress based websites was customly tailered and many code was wiped out, however it could also be a *Db Cache* bug. So to conclude **W3TC** is the perfect solution for wordpress caching ;)