

# RUBY/TK - NOTEBOOK WIDGET

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The Notebook widget provides a notebook metaphor to display several windows in limited space. The notebook is divided into a stack of pages of which only one is displayed at any time.

The other pages can be selected by means of choosing the visual *tabs* at the top of the widget. Additionally, the <Tab> key may be used to traverse the pages. If **underline** option is used, *Alt-bindings* will also work.

## Syntax:

Here is a simple syntax to create this widget:

```
Tk::Tk::Notebook.new(root) {  
  ....Standard Options....  
  ....Widget Specific Options....  
}
```

## Standard Options:

- class
- cursor
- state
- style
- takefocus

## Widget-specific Options:

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1	<b>height</b> => Integer  If present and greater than zero, specifies the desired height of the pane area <i>not including internal padding or tabs</i> . Otherwise, the maximum height of all panes is used.
2	<b>padding</b> => Integer  Specifies the amount of extra space to add around the outside of the notebook. The padding is a list of up to four length specifications <i>left top right bottom</i> . If fewer than four elements are specified, <i>bottom</i> defaults to <i>top</i> , <i>right</i> defaults to <i>left</i> , and <i>top</i> defaults to <i>left</i> .
3	<b>width</b> => Integer  If present and greater than zero, specifies the desired width of the pane area <i>not including internal padding</i> . Otherwise, the maximum width of all panes is used.

## Manipulating Notebook:

There are various ways to play with Notebook:

- Each page on a Notebook is typically a frame, a direct child *subwindow* of the notebook itself. A new page and its associated tab are added to the end of the list of tabs with the **"add**

***subwindow ?option value...?***" method.

- The **text** tab option is used to set the label on the tab; also useful is the **state** tab option, which can have the value **normal**, **disabled** *notselectable*, or **hidden**.
- To insert a tab at somewhere other than the end of the list, you can use the "**insert position subwindow ?option value...?**", and to remove a given tab, use the **forget** method, passing it either the position  $0..n-1$  or the tab's subwindow. You can retrieve the list of all subwindows contained in the notebook via the **tabs** method.
- To retrieve the subwindow that is currently selected, call the **selected** method, and change the selected tab by calling the **select** method, passing it either the tab's position or the subwindow itself as a parameter.
- To change a tab option you can use the "**itemconfigure tabid, :option => value**" method. Where *tabid* is the tab's position or subwindow. You can use the "**itemcget tabid, :option**" to return the current value of the option.

## Examples:

```
require 'tk'
require 'tkextlib/tile'

root = TkRoot.new
root.title = "Window"

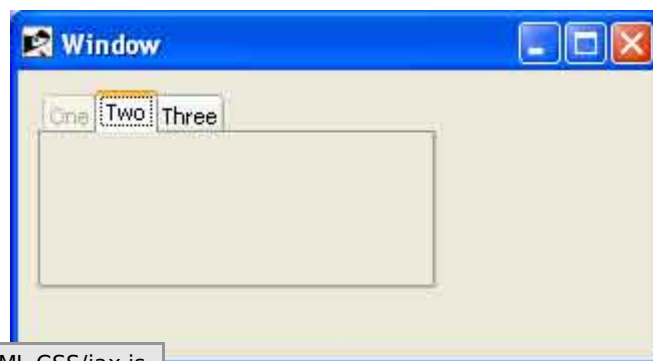
n = Tk::Tile::Notebook.new(root)do
  height 110
  place('height' => 100, 'width' => 200, 'x' => 10, 'y' => 10)
end

f1 = TkFrame.new(n)
f2 = TkFrame.new(n)
f3 = TkFrame.new(n)

n.add f1, :text => 'One', :state => 'disabled'
n.add f2, :text => 'Two'
n.add f3, :text => 'Three'

Tk.mainloop
```

This will produce the following result:



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