

# Notes and handouts in rst2beamer

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# Showing notes

Beamer (and rst2beamer) support the inclusion of notes in a presentation. By default, these won't show up in the generated presentation unless requested. The appearance of notes is set with the commandline argument `--shownotes`. For example:

```
rst2beamer --shownotes <option> mypresentation.rst
```

where option can be:

`false` *don't show any notes (the default)*

`true` *show notes as per right*

`only` *show only the notes, not the presentation*

`left, right, top, bottom` *show the notes in the given position to the presentation*

# The note directive

Notes can be included with the `r2b_note` directive.

Multiple notes can be included in one slide.

Slides without any notes will produce an empty note slide.

# Notes as containers

The custom `r2b` directives won't be recognised by any writer other than `rst2beamer`. Therefore, we allow certain containers (which most other writers should recognise and at worst ignore) to act like notes.

Any container with the name `'r2b_note'` or `'r2b-note'` will be handled like the notes directive.