



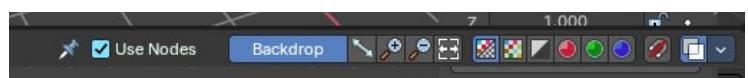
10.1.1 Editors - Compositor - Header - Tools and Options

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Options

At the right side of the header you will see the options.



Use Nodes

The Use Nodes setting is mostly a legacy setting and should always be checked for materials.

Pin (pin icon)

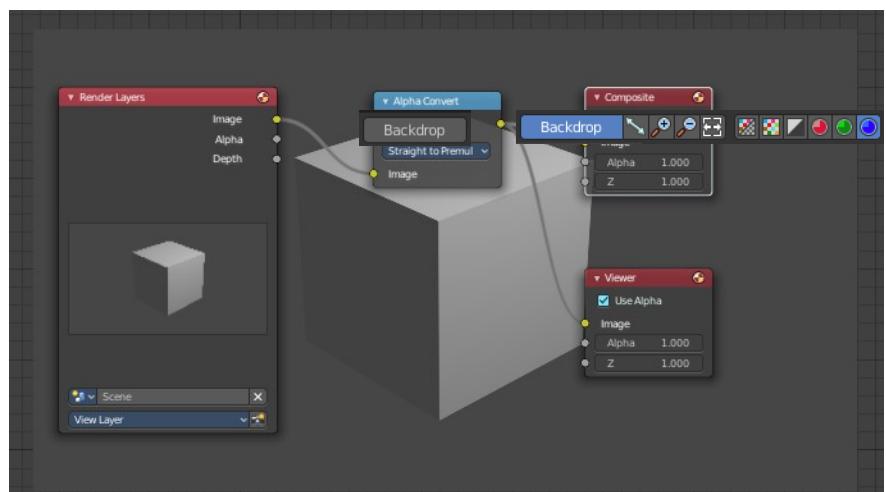
The pin button will keep the current material selection fixed. When a material is pinned, it will remain visible in the shader editor even when another object or material is selected elsewhere.

Parent Node Tree

Grouping nodes can simplify a node tree by allowing instancing and hiding parts of the tree. Both material and composite nodes can be grouped. This button becomes active when you work with such grouped nodes, and you are in a child group. It allows you to switch to the parent group.

Backdrop

By adding a viewer node you can display the compositing result as a background in the viewport. Here you can activate it, and adjust the look. It



also contains controls to adjust the zoom and position of the backdrop image.

Background Image Move

Move the background image. A click confirms. Watch the hotkey.

Background Image Zoom in and out

Zoom in and out the Background image.

Background Image Fit

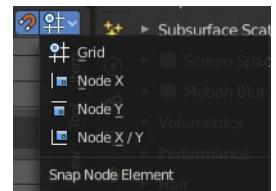
Fits the background image into the view.

Display channels

What channels to display in the backdrop.

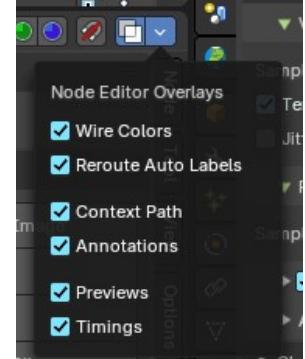
Snap

Activates snapping. When the tool is activated, then you will also reveal the snap settings where you can choose different snap methods.



Node Editor Overlays

Activates the node editor overlays. When the tool is activated, then you will also overlays settings in the editor. The drop down arrow to the right shows different overlay types.



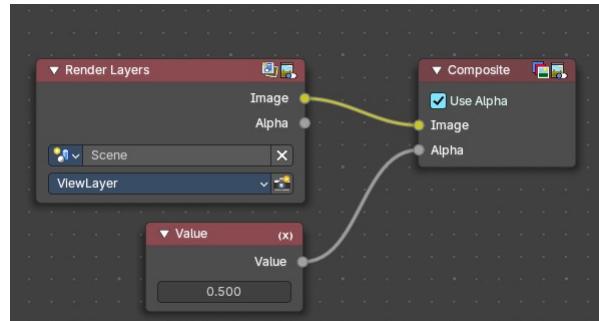
Show Overlays

Show or hide the overlays.

Wire Colors

Color node links based on their connected sockets.

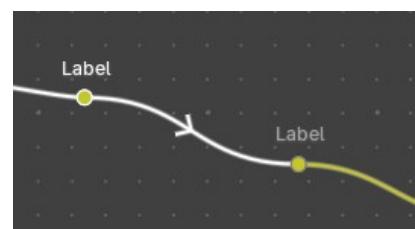
Example: The color Image socket is yellow that makes a yellow line, and the Value socket is grey that makes a grey line.



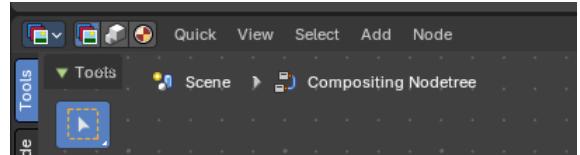
Reroute Auto Labels

Label reroute nodes based on the label of connected reroute nodes.

Example: The first reroute label to the right has concurring reroute labels



down the line. If you toggle this off, the concurring reroute labels down the line won't contain labels.



Context Path

Display breadcrumbs for the editor's context.

Annotation

Shows annotations for this editor view that have been drawn by the annotation tool.

Previews

Shows each nodes preview thumbnails if the node has previews toggled on.

Timings

Shows a timing box above each node to indicate the evaluation time of it.. This option is only available for compositing and geometry nodes.