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Overview

AspxFormsGen 4.5 our Flagship product is finally here! AspxFormsGen 4.5 generates ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms, Middle-Tier, Data-Tier, and Stored Procedures (or Dynamic SQL) in One Click. AspxFormsGen 4.5 generates databound ASP.NET 4.5 web forms (Professional Plus is databound, Express is not databound).

AspxFormsGen 4.5 is a combination of our AspxFormsGen engine (generates ASP.NET web forms) and AspxCodeGen engine which generates Middle-Tier, Data-Tier, and Stored procedures or Dynamic SQL codes.

To keep AspxFormsGen 4.5 simple, there's only one main interface as shown in Figure 1. The main window consists of six (6) tabs.

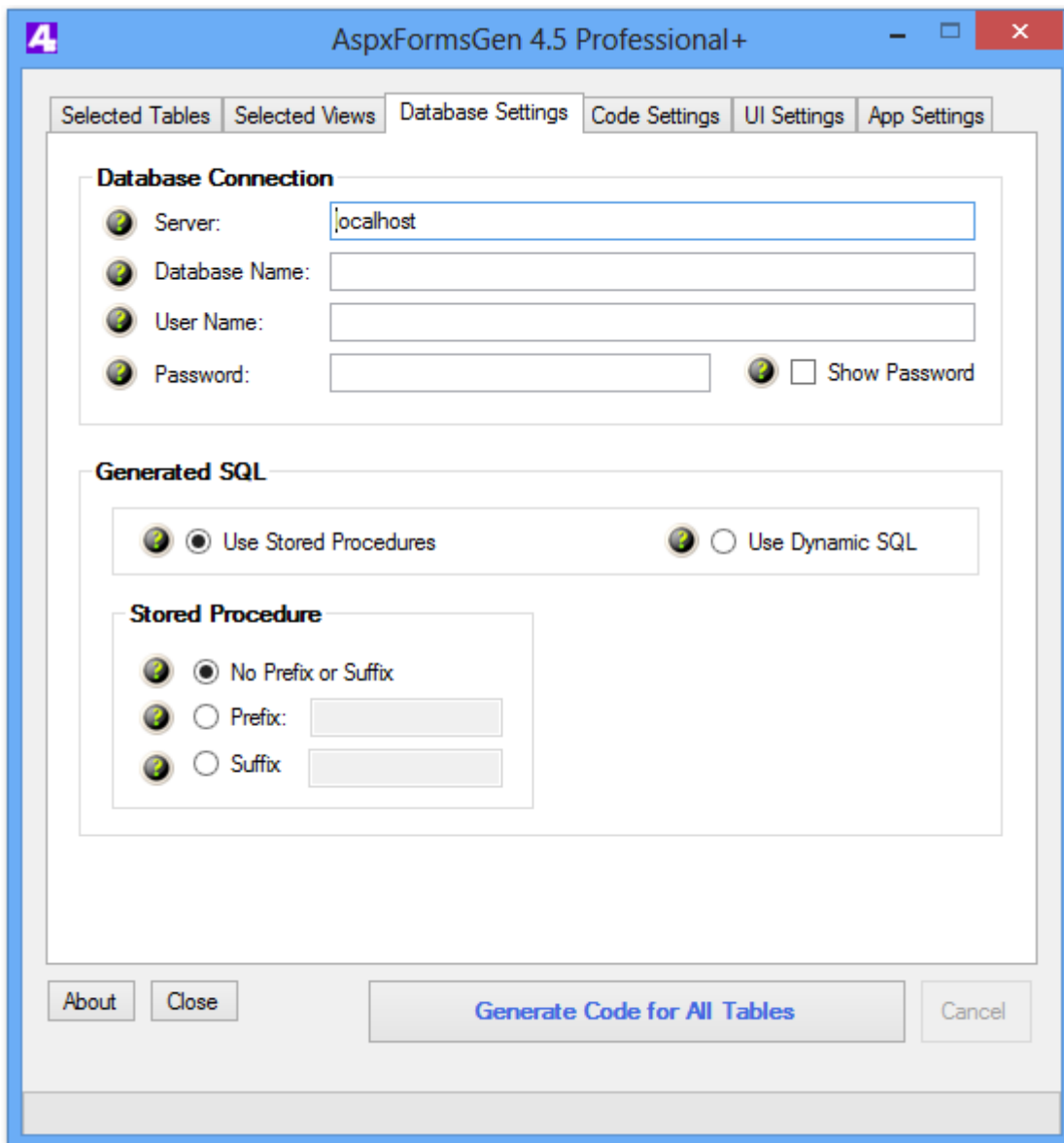


Figure 1 Main Window

Tabs

Selected Tables

AspXFormsGen generates code from all the tables in your database by default. You can choose to generate from selected tables only from the Code Settings tab, and then select just the tables to generate from on this tab.

- **Load Tables Button:** This button loads all the tables from the respective database into a check box list. Simply select the tables you want to generate code from by checking them. You need to select the *Selected Tables Only* option under the *Code Settings* tab, in the *Database to Generate From* group to enable this button. This button is disabled by default.
- **Clear Selection Button:** This button deselects all the selected/checked tables. When you select at least one table, this button will be enabled. This button is disabled by default.

Selected Views ¹

You can choose to generate from selected views only from the Code Settings tab, and then select just the views to generate from on this tab.

- **Load Views Button:** This button loads all the views from the respective database into a check box list. Simply select the views you want to generate code from by checking them. You need to select the *Selected Views Only* option under the *Code Settings* tab, in the *Database to Generate From* group to enable this button. This button is disabled by default.
- **Clear Selection Button:** This button deselects all the selected/checked views. When you select at least one view, this button will be enabled. This button is disabled by default.

Database Settings

This is where you enter the database you want to generate code from and whether you want to generate stored procedures or dynamic SQL. This is probably going to be your most used tab.

- **Database Connection**
 - **Server:** The name of the MS SQL Server where your database is located. E.g. localhost.
 - **Database Name:** The database you want to generate from. E.g. Northwind, AdventureWorks.
 - **User Name:** The user name you use to get access to your database. User user names that have administrator rights to your database. E.g. sa.
 - **Password:** The database password paired with the user name above. E.g. myPassword.
 - **Show Password:** Masks the password with an asterisk (*) when not checked. Shows the password in clear text when checked. **Note:** The password field is the only information that is not saved when you close the application if and when this Show Password is not checked, which is the default. Therefore you need to check this field if you want the application to remember the last password you entered every time you close the application.

- **Generated SQL** ¹

- **Stored Procedures:** Generates stored procedures directly in the respective database. **Note:** If a stored procedure with the same name exists, it will be overwritten without warning.
 - **No Prefix or Suffix:** No prefix or suffix is added to the generated stored procedures. This option is selected by default.
 - **Prefix:** The prefix you want to add to the generated stored procedures. E.g. *myprefix_*StoredProcName.
 - **Suffix:** The suffix you want to add to the generated stored procedures. E.g. StoredProcName_*mySuffix*.
- **Dynamic SQL:** Generates SQL script in class files. **Note:** All dynamic SQL classes are overwritten without warning.

Code Settings

You'll find a selection here on where to generate your objects from: all tables, all views, selected tables, or selected views. This is also where you set the web site name, the root directory where you want the website to be generated, the namespace for your code, and most of all the language (either C# or VB.NET) you want the generated code to be in.

- **Database Objects to Generate From:** Here you can choose the database source from where to generate objects from. Each one of the options below will generate web forms, middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, and stored procedures or dynamic SQL.
 - **All Tables:** Generates objects for all tables in the respective database.
 - **All Views:** ¹ Generates objects for all views in the respective database.
 - **Selected Tables Only:** Generates objects for selected tables only, in the respective database.
 - **Selected Views Only:** ¹ Generates objects for selected views only, in the respective database.
- **Website:** The website that will be generated.
 - **Name:** Name of the website. This will be a folder. If this folder does not exist, it will be created in the directory below.
 - **Directory and Browse Button:** Root directory where you want the website to be generated in. You can use the browse button to choose the folder where you want the website to be generated in.
- **Business Layer and Data Layer:** The settings for the generated code.
 - **Namespace:** The root namespace that will be used in all generated code.
 - **Language:** The language all generated code will be in. You can choose either in C# or VB.NET.

UI Settings

¹

You can customize your own settings for the generated ASP.NET web forms here. You can choose themes for the GridView control and JQuery UI controls. You can also choose the kind of page validation. You can also select which web forms to generate and the folders or file prefix to use for each web page.

- **Themes:** The themes used by certain controls in the generated user interface (ASP.NET web forms).
 - **GridView:** Theme used in the GridView web controls. To see a list of snapshots of the following themes, please visit our web site.
 - Slate
 - Colorful
 - Classic
 - Simple
 - Professional
 - Autumn
 - Oceanica
 - Brown Sugar
 - Sand & Sky
 - Rainy Day
 - Snow Pine
 - Lilacs In Mist
 - Black & Blue
 - Clover Field
 - Apple Orchard
 - Mocha
 - **JQuery UI:** Theme used in the JQuery UI controls used in the generated ASP.NET web forms. To see a list of snapshots of the following themes, please visit our web site or JQuery UIs web site. JQuery UI is a free plug-in.
 - BlackTie
 - Blitzler
 - Cupertino
 - Dark-Hive
 - Dot-Luv
 - Eggplant
 - Excite-Bike
 - Hot-Sneaks
 - Humanity
 - Le-Frog
 - Mint-Choc
 - Overcast
 - Pepper-Grinder
 - Redmond
 - Smoothness
 - South-Street
 - Start
 - Sunny
 - Swanky-Purse
 - Trontastic
 - UI-Darkness
 - UI-Lightness
 - Vader

- **Validation:** The type of validation used in the generated ASP.NET web forms.
 - **JQuery Validation:** JQuery validation is a free client-side validation plug-in.
 - **ASP.NET Validation:** Uses ASP.NET validation controls such as the RequiredFieldValidator, and CompareValidator.
- **Organize Web Forms:** Organizes the generated web forms into their respective folders when checked. Puts all the generated web forms in the root directory of the generated web site when unchecked. A prefix is added to the respective web form type when the *Organize Web Form* is unchecked. You will notice that the group name toggles from *Folder Organization* to *Web Form Prefix* when you check and uncheck this field.
- **Web Forms to Generate and Folder Organization/Web Form Prefix:** These two groups are related. You will notice that as you toggle checking and unchecking the *Web Forms to Generate*, the related *Folder Organization* or *Web Form Prefix* is enabled and disabled respectively.

You can choose the type of web forms you want to generate for *All Tables* or for *Selected Tables Only* (under the *Code Settings* tab) by checking the respective *Web Forms to Generate* item. Only one type of web form is generated when you choose *All Views* or *Selected Views Only* (under the *Code Settings* tab), therefore you don't have the flexibility of choosing the web forms to generate.

The respective *Folder Organization* item or *Web Form Prefix* item is **required** and must be **unique**.

- **GridView with Add, Edit Redirect & Delete:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality.
 - Adding a new record redirects to another page
 - Updating an existing record redirects to another page
 - Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation
 - A link to a read-only Web Form is also provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **Add New & Edit Record:**
 - Contains JQuery Validation or ASP.Net Validation
 - Contains JQuery UI Date Controls for date fields
 - Contains bound DropDownList Web Control for foreign fields
 - You can get here from the "GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete" Web Form when clicking the Add New Record link or the Edit button
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **Record Details (Read Only) :**
 - Shows details of a record (Read-Only)

- You can get here from the "GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete" Web Form when clicking the foreign key links
- One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **GridView, Read-Only:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control. No CRUD functionality (read-only).
 - A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Same Page) :**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality.
 - Add a new record on the same page with JQuery animation
 - Update an existing record on the same page with JQuery animation
 - Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation
 - A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **GridView within an Accordion (Grouping) :**
 - Contains a JQuery UI Accordion control with GridView within. No CRUD functionality (read-only).
 - Shows grouping by the respective group
 - Shows count per respective group
 - E.g. Orders by Shipper, Territories by Region
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated for each table referencing the current table
- **GridView Filtered By a Drop Down List:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control. No CRUD functionality (read-only).
 - Contains a DropDownList Control that filters the GridView's data on index change
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated for each foreign key in each table
- **GridView with Totals:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control. No CRUD functionality (read-only).
 - Shows total number of records
 - Shows totals on the footer for money fields
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer

- A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
- One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated for tables that have money data fields
- **GridView, More Information:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control. No CRUD functionality (read-only).
 - Each row can be viewed for more information on click of the respective button (animated)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **GridView with Add, Edit, Delete (Inline):**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality.
 - Adding a new record redirects to another page
 - Updating and existing record redirects to another page
 - Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation
 - A link to a read-only Web Form is also provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **GridView with Search:**
 - Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality.
 - Adding a new record redirects to another page
 - Updating and existing record redirects to another page
 - Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation
 - A link to a read-only Web Form is also provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key)
 - GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header
 - GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
- **Unbound Web Form:**
 - Web Forms that are not bound to the database
 - Contains JQuery Validation or ASP.Net Validation
 - Contains JQuery UI Date Controls for date fields
 - Contains unbound DropDownList Web Control for foreign fields
 - One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table

App Settings

These are application settings. Almost all generated code/web forms are overwritten every time you use AspxFormsGen 4.5. However, you can choose not to overwrite some key files from here. You can also reset all settings to its original default from here.

- **Overwrite Files:**¹ These files are overwritten by default (checked by default). However, if you want to add your own code to the following files, you can choose not to overwrite them by unchecking the respective file.
 - **Overwrite Master Page:** Overwrites the *MasterPage.master* file when checked. The generated master page is empty and is used by all the generated ASP.NET web forms. You can add you web site design here, but make sure to uncheck this setting when you do.
 - **Overwrite Dbase File:** Overwrites the *Dbase.cs* (or *Dbase.vb*) helper class when checked. The *Dbase* helper class contains the *Database Connection* settings you provided under the *Database Settings* tab. It contains static/shared helper methods that connect to the database. The helper methods are called by the Data Layer Base code. This file can be found in the *App_Code* folder under the *Helper* directory.

Recommendation: Rather than keep the connection string in text form under the *GetConnection()* method, move it to the *Web.config* file to an app setting tag, then reference that configuration from the *GetConnection()* method. Make sure to uncheck this setting if you're planning to add your own code to it.
 - **Overwrite Web.config File:** Overwrites the *Web.config* file when checked. Make sure to uncheck this setting if you're planning to add configuration code to it.
 - **Overwrite Functions File:** Overwrites the *Functions.cs* (or *Functions.vb*) helper class when checked. The *Functions* helper file contains static/shared methods used by the GridView web control. Make sure to uncheck this setting if you're planning to add your own code to it. This file can be found in the *App_Code* folder under the *Helper* directory.
 - **Overwrite Global.css:** Overwrites the *Global.css* stylesheet file when checked. This stylesheet is used by all generated web forms and is referenced by the Master Page file. You can add additional styles here, just sure to uncheck this setting if you plan to add your own code to it. This file can be found in the *Styles* folder.
 - **Overwrite SkinFile.skin:** Overwrites the *SkinFile.skin* skin file when checked. It is under the *App_Themes* folder, in the *Theme1* theme. *Theme1* is the theme used by all generated web forms and is referenced in the *Web.config* file. Make sure to uncheck this setting if you're planning to add your own skins to it.
- **Automatically Open Selected Tables or Selected Views tab:** When you choose *Selected Tables Only* or *Selected Views Only* under the *Code Settings* tab, the *Selected Tables* or *Selected Views* tab is automatically opened respectively when this setting is checked. If you don't want to be automatically redirected to the respective tab, uncheck this setting.

- **App Files Directory:** The directory where the *AppFiles* folder was installed. This *AppFiles* folder contains miscellaneous files AspxFormsGen 4.5 copies to the generated web site during generation. Although for most parts you don't have to ever change this setting, in the event that you have a very unique folder/file structure in the computer where you installed AspxFormsGen 4.5, you can always correct the location of the *AppFiles* folder using this setting.
- **Restore All Settings to Default:** AspxFormsGen remembers the last settings you used when you close the application, this is the reason why after your first use, and you can keep generating code for the same database with **One Click!** If you want to reset all the settings to the original (default) values, simply click this button. A message asking for confirmation of the restore will pop up, click *Yes* to restore settings to default, otherwise *No*.

Buttons (Outside Tabs)

These are buttons you can readily access anywhere in the application. You don't have to be in a specific tab to access these buttons.

- **Generate... Button:** This is the most important button in the application. You click this to generate code. You'll notice that the text on this button changes to the respective operation and it toggles from enabled to disabled when you change your selection under the *Code Settings* tab, in the *Database Object to Generate From*. Listed below are the events that trigger when the selection in the *Database Object to Generate From* changes.
 - **All Tables:** Text changes to "*Generate Code for All Tables*". Button state is always enabled.
 - **All Views:**¹ Text changes to "*Generate Code for All Views*". Button state is always enabled.
 - **Selected Tables Only:** Text changes to "*Generate Code for Selected Tables Only*". Button state is disabled when there is no selected table under the *Selected Tables* tab, otherwise it's enabled.
 - **Selected Views Only:**¹ Text changes to "*Generate Code for Selected Views Only*". Button state is disabled when there is no selected view under the *Selected Views* tab, otherwise it's enabled.
- **Cancel Button:** This button cancels code generation. It is disabled by default. It is only enabled once you click the *Generate...* button or once code generation is started.
- **About Button:** Shows information about AspxFormsGen 4.5.
- **Close Button:** Closes the application.

Generating ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms and Code

You have four options under the *Code Settings* tab, in the Database Objects to Generated From. These options affect the behavior of other settings in this application. This part of the document shows you how to generate code using each of these options. To start any tutorial, make sure to *Restore All Settings to Default* button, under the App Settings Tab. The following tutorials use Microsoft's Northwind database, Visual Studio 2012, and MS SQL 2008. See Figure 2.

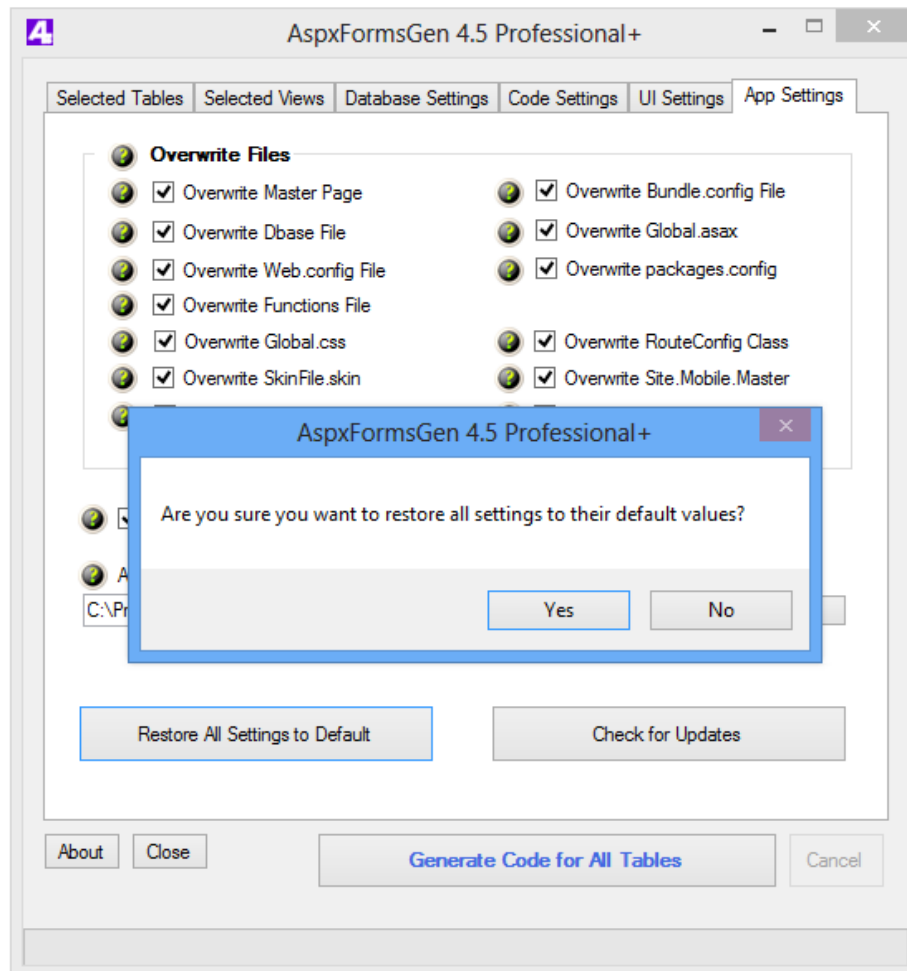


Figure 2 Restore All Settings To Defaults

For All Tables

The *All Tables* option generates objects for all tables in the respective database.

1. Go to the *Database Settings* tab you will notice that *All Tables* under the *Database Objects to Generate From* is selected. This option is selected by default. Fill out all the required fields as shown below. Make sure to use your own *User Name* and *Password*. Also make sure to check *Show Password*, this will make the application remember this setting when we close the application.

One Click Feature: Because AspXFormsGen 4.5 remembers your settings, the next time you open AspXFormsGen 4.5, all you have to do is click the *Generate...* button, this has always been our signature feature. See Figure 3.

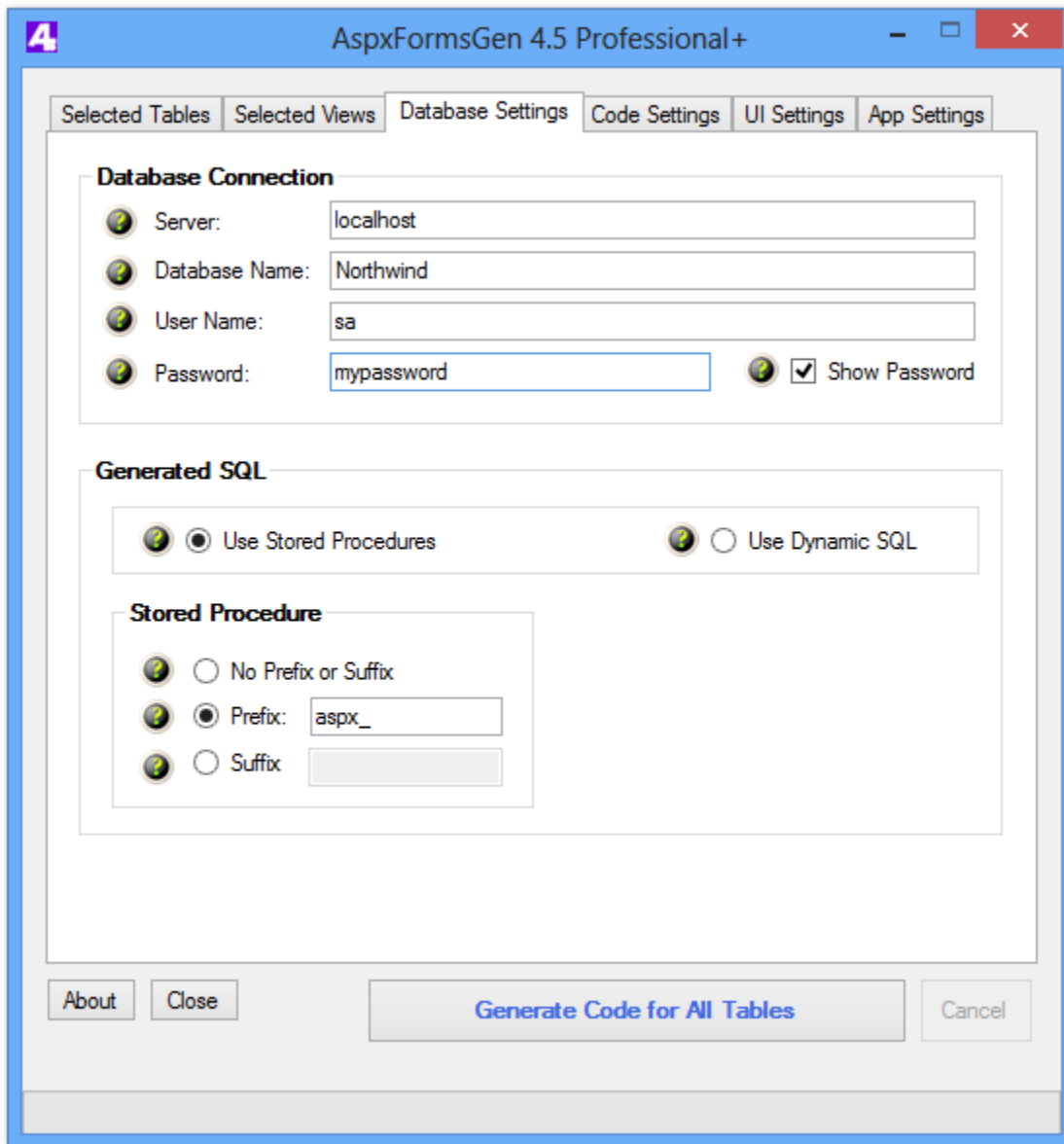


Figure 3 Database Settings

2. Now go to the *Selected Tables* and *Selected Views*¹ tabs. You will notice that everything in these tabs is disabled. As you may already know, these tabs are dedicated for use by the *Selected Tables* and *Selected Views* options respectively; this is why they're disabled.
3. Go to the *Code Settings* tab and fill-out the rest of the required fields as shown in Figure 4.

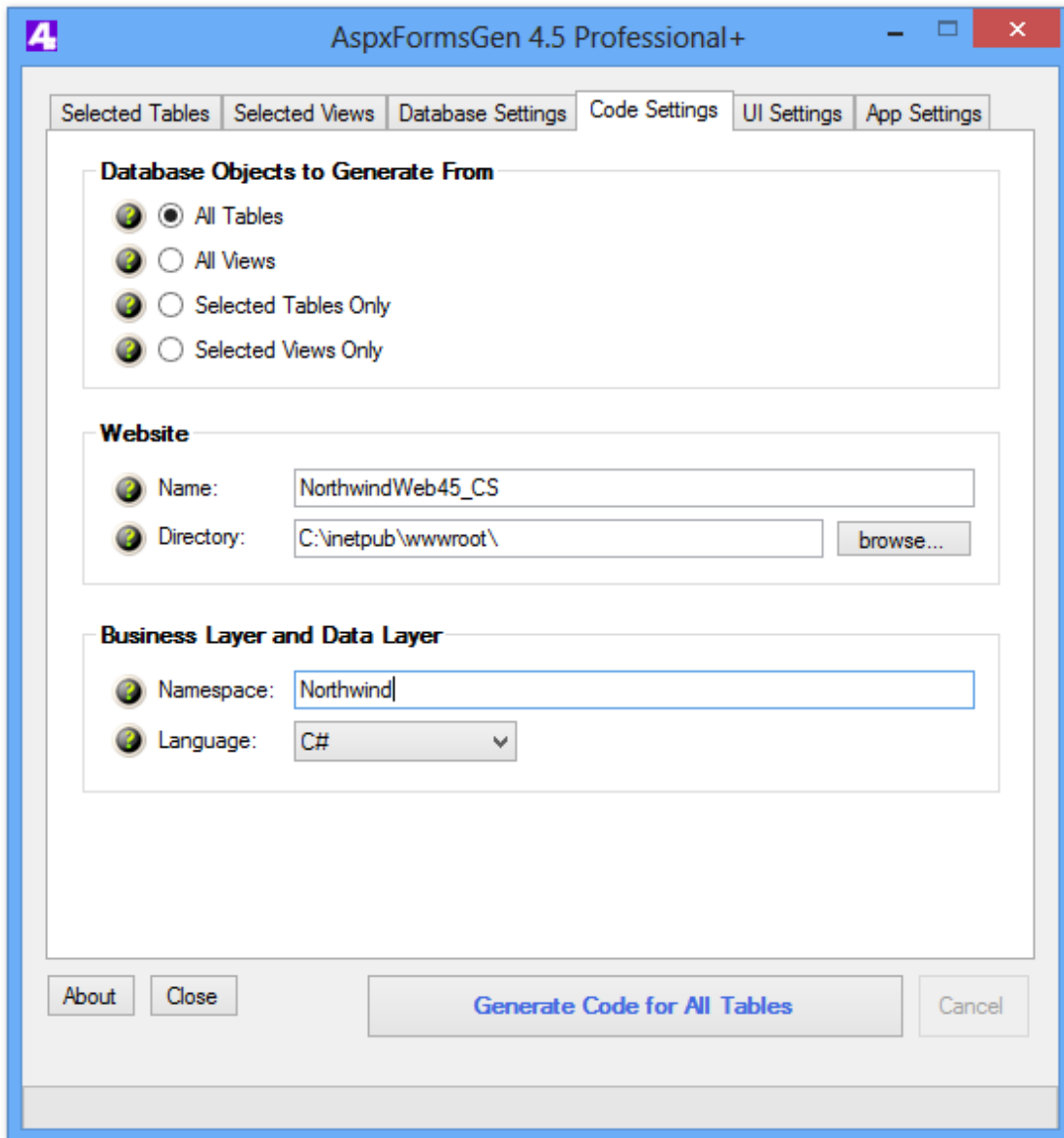


Figure 4 Code Settings - All Tables

4. Go to the *UI Settings*¹ tab and view the settings. We'll accept all these settings and do nothing on this tab.
5. Now, go to the *App Settings* tab and uncheck everything under the *Overwrite Files*¹ group. AspXFormsGen 4.5 will write these files once if they don't already exist. See Figure 4.

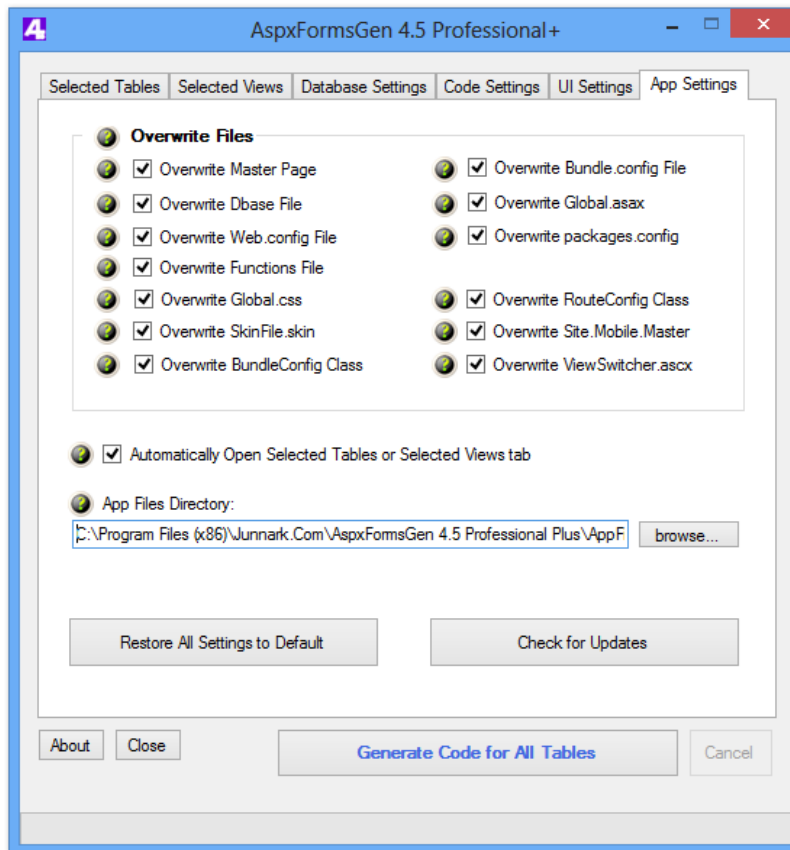


Figure 4 Uncheck All Overwrite Files

6. Click the *Generate Code for All Tables* button. See Figure 5.

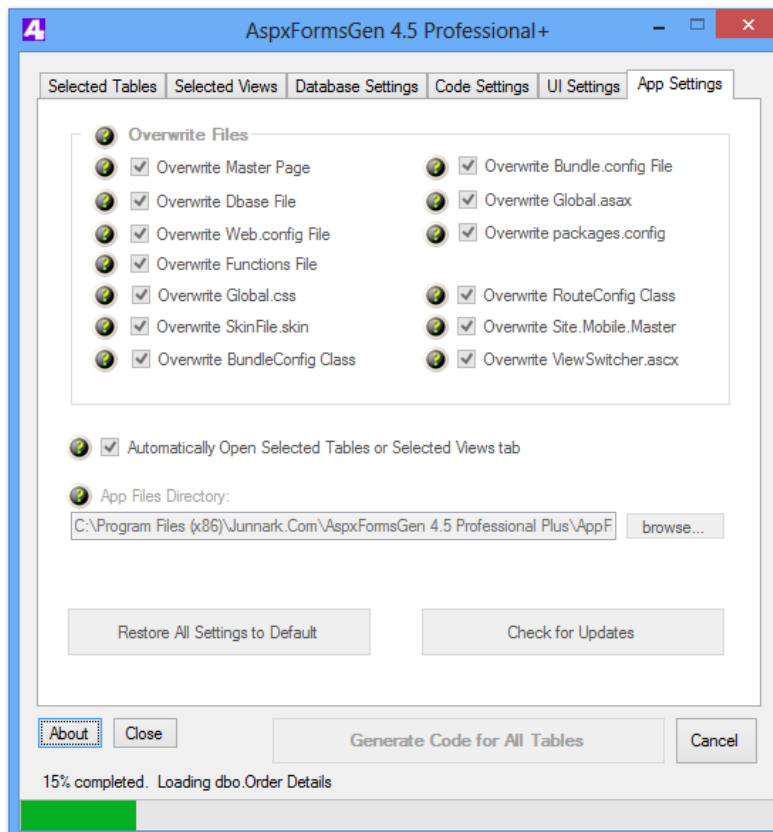


Figure 5 Generate Code for All Tables

7. Once code generation is done, a message is shown, click *OK*. See Figure 6.

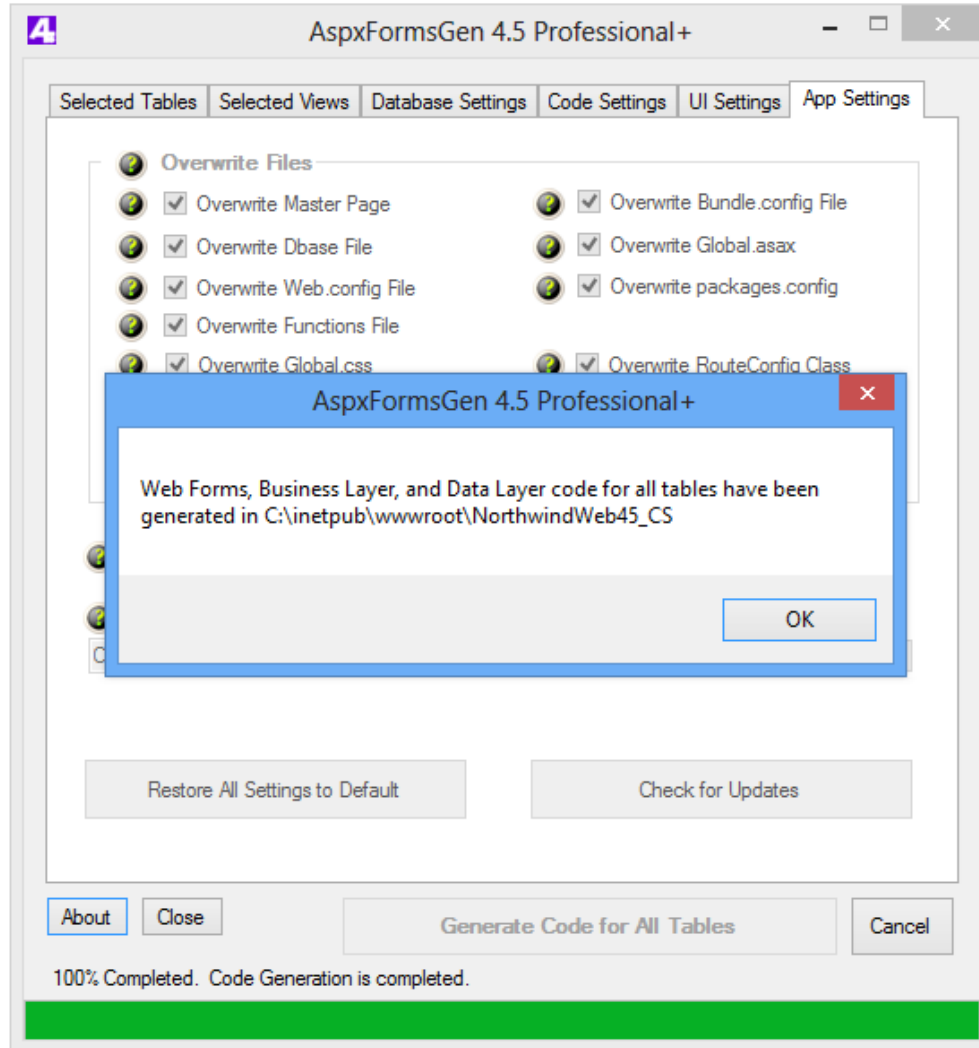


Figure 6 Code Generation is Done

8. Open *MS SQL Server Management Studio* and drill down to the *Stored Procedures*¹ node to see the generated stored procedures. For now, we'll just view these stored procedures and we'll come back to it later and examine the generated code. See Figure 7.

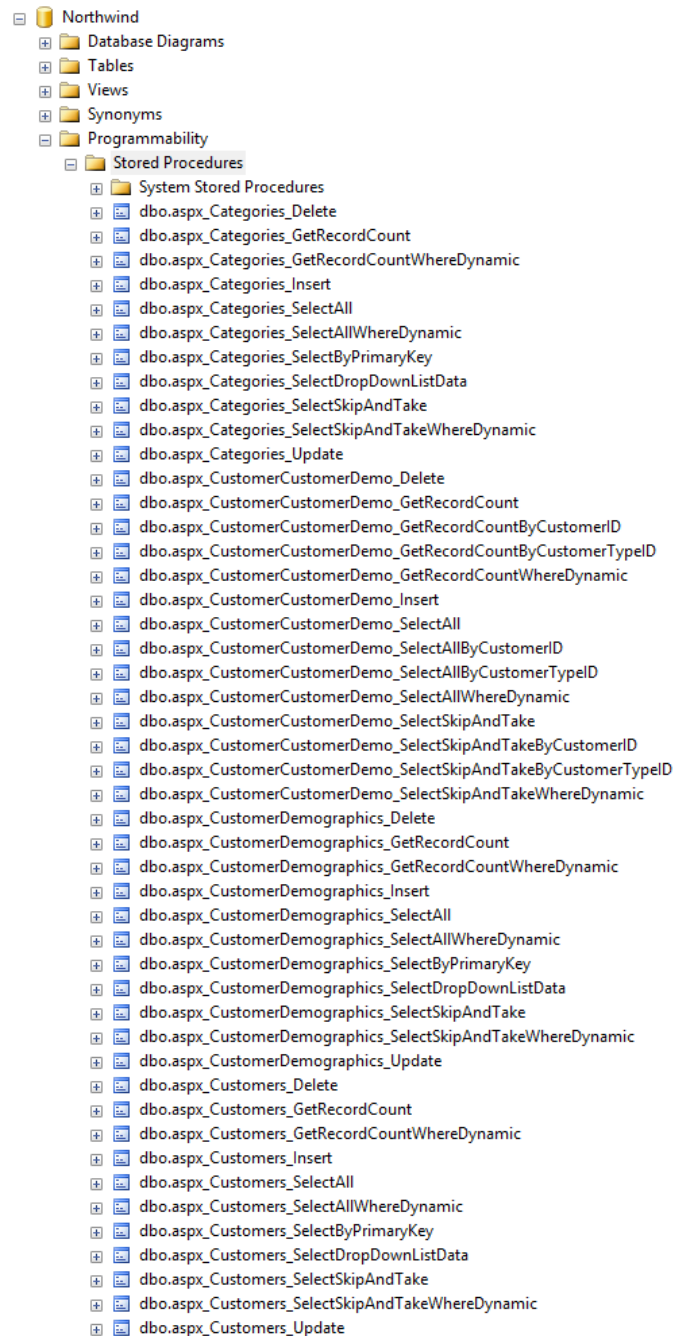


Figure 7 List of Generated Stored Procedures

9. Open *Visual Studio 2012*. On the File menu click *Open Web Site*. See Figure 8.
10. Point to the web site directory, and then click *Open*. See Figure 9.
11. From the *Solution Explorer*, right-click on the *Default.htm* and then click *Set As Start Page*. **Note:** The purpose of this page is to show you the list of web pages that were generated; you don't have to make this as your start page. See Figure 10.
12. Run *Visual Studio* by pressing *F5*. You will see a list of all the generated ASP.NET 4.5 web forms. See Figure 11. You can click any link to preview the functionality of each of the generated web forms.

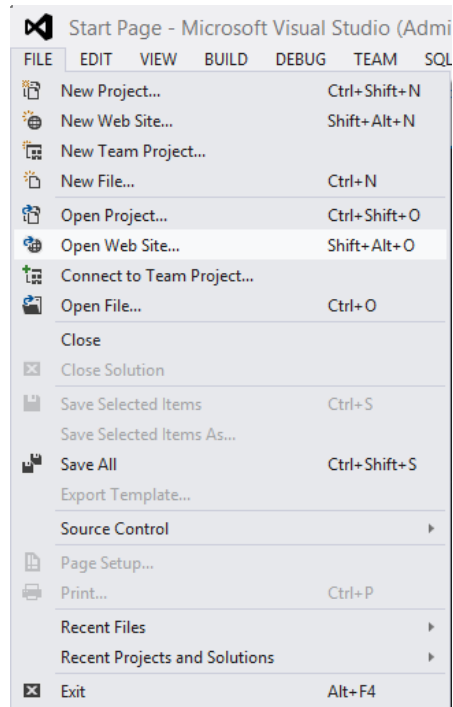


Figure 8 Open Web Site

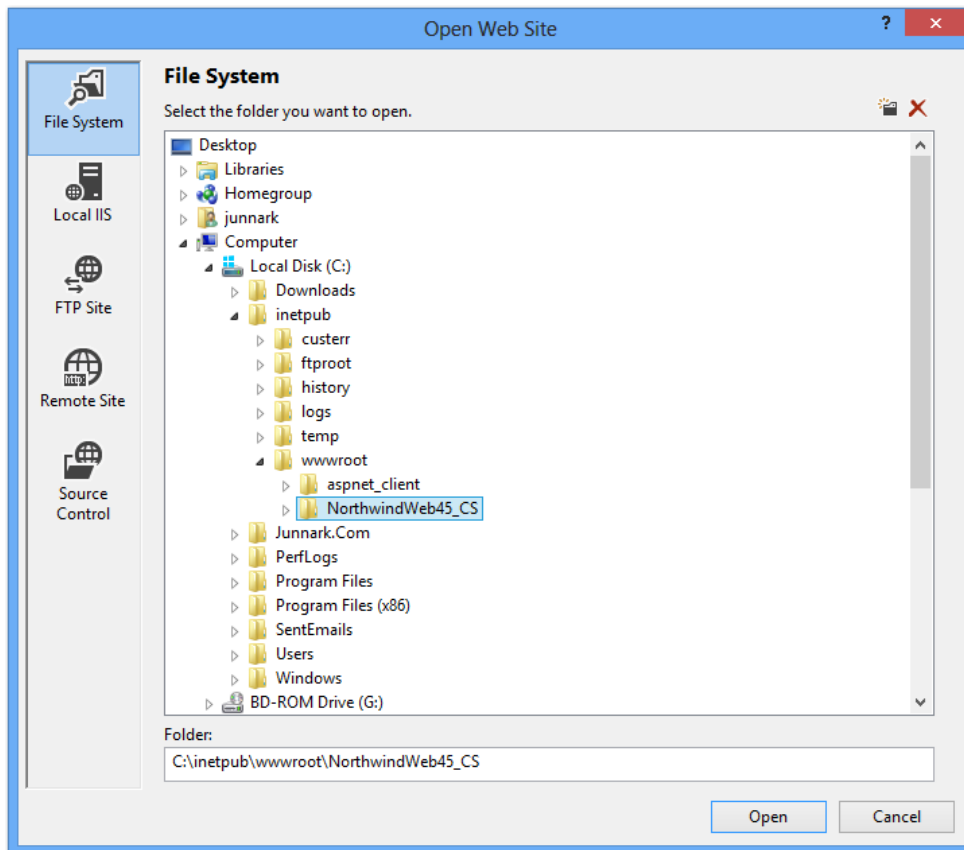


Figure 9 Generated Web Site Directory

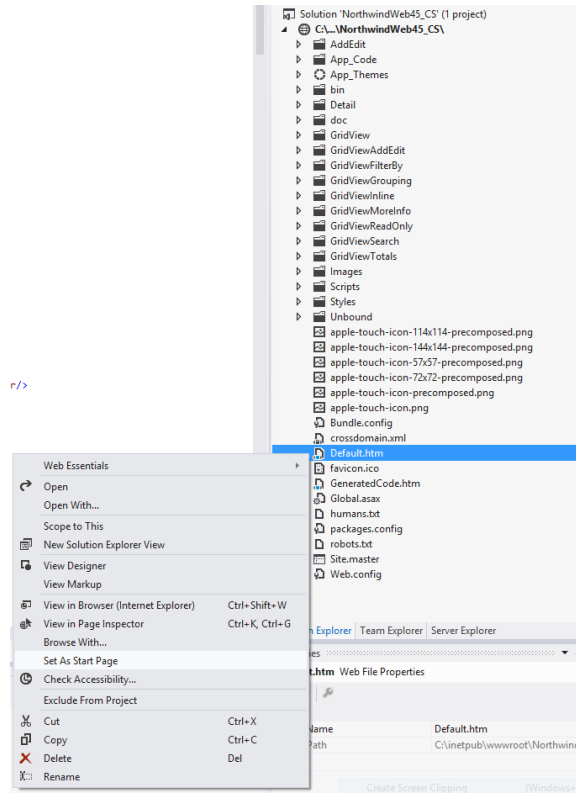


Figure 10 Set As Start page

Thank You for using AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Listed below are the ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms generated by AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Please [click here](#) to see the list of generated Middle-Tier (Business Objects) and Data-Tier code.

GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GridView/Categories_Web.aspx GridView/CustomerDemographics_Web.aspx GridView/Customers_Web.aspx GridView/Employees_Web.aspx GridView/OrderDetails_Web.aspx GridView/Orders_Web.aspx GridView/Products_Web.aspx GridView/Region_Web.aspx GridView/Shippers_Web.aspx GridView/Suppliers_Web.aspx GridView/Territories_Web.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be used in the administration part of your website Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality. Adding a new record redirects to another page Updating and existing record redirects to another page Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation A link to a read-only Web Form is also provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key) Uses model binding to retrieve data GridView retrieves data on demand using Skip/Take logic GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
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Figure 11 List of Generated Web Forms

13. Let's preview one of the generated web pages. Under the *GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete*¹ category click *GridView/Products_Web.aspx* link. This will redirect you to the product page. Products here are shown in a GridView web control. All the features of this web page are listed in the *Default.htm*. For example, you can click the header column to sort by column. A list of the functionality is graphically shown in Figure 12.

[Add New Products](#) [Add New Record](#)

Product ID	Product Name	Supplier ID	Category ID	Quantity Per Unit	Unit Price	Units In Stock	Units On Order	Reorder Level	Discontinued			
17	Alice Mutton	7	6	20 - 1 kg tins	\$39.00	0	0	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3	Aniseed Syrup	1	2	12 - 550 ml bottles	\$10.00	13	70	25	<input type="checkbox"/>			
40	Boston Crab Meat	19			\$18.40	123		0	30	<input type="checkbox"/>		
60	Camembert Pierrot	28			\$34.00	19		0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
18	Camaron Tigers	7			\$62.50	42		0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
1	Chai	1			\$18.00	39		0	10	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2	Chang	1	1	24 - 12 oz bottles	\$19.00	17	40	25	<input type="checkbox"/>			
39	Chartreuse verte	18	1	750 cc per bottle	\$18.00	69		0	5	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4	Chef Anton's Cajun Seasoning	2	2	48 - 6 oz jars	\$22.00	53		0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5	Chef Anton's Gumbo Mix	2	2	36 boxes	\$21.35	0	0	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
48	Chocolade	22	3	10 pkgs.	\$12.75	15	70	25	<input type="checkbox"/>			
38	Côte de Blaye	18	1	12 - 75 cl bottles	\$263.50	17		0	15	<input type="checkbox"/>		
58	Escargots de Bourgogne	27	8	24 pieces	\$13.25	62		0	20	<input type="checkbox"/>		
78	fad									<input type="checkbox"/>		
52	Filo Mix	24	5	16 - 2 kg boxes	\$7.00	38		0	25	<input type="checkbox"/>		
71	Flolemysost	15	4	10 - 500 g pkgs.	\$21.50	26		0	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		

1 2 3 4 5

Figure 12 GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete Functionality

14. Go ahead and play around, checking the functionality of this web page and a few other web pages. Most of the functionalities are self-explanatory, so we will not dwell on these. The functionalities are also explained under *Code Settings* above. You can also view a live web demos from our web site in the specific product's page.
15. The generated web forms can be found in their respective folders. The web forms are in folders because we specified AspxFormsGen to *Organize Web Forms* under *UI Settings*. Please see explanation under *UI Settings* above. Also see Figure 13, it shows the folders where the respective web forms were generated into.

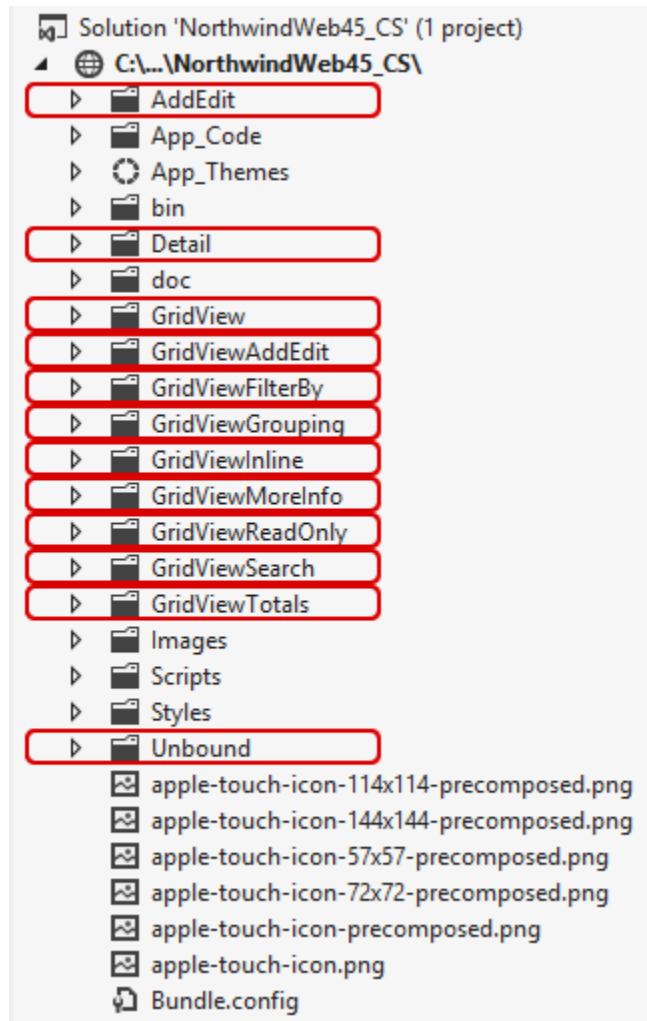


Figure 13 Organize Web Forms into Folders

16. Close the web page and go back to *Visual Studio 2012*. From the *Solution Explorer*, right-click on the *GeneratedCode.htm* and then click *Set As Start Page*. See Figure 14.
17. Run Visual Studio by pressing F5. You will see a list of all the generated middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, and stored procedures (or dynamic SQL classes). See Figure 15. You can hover over each of the link to see where each file is located.

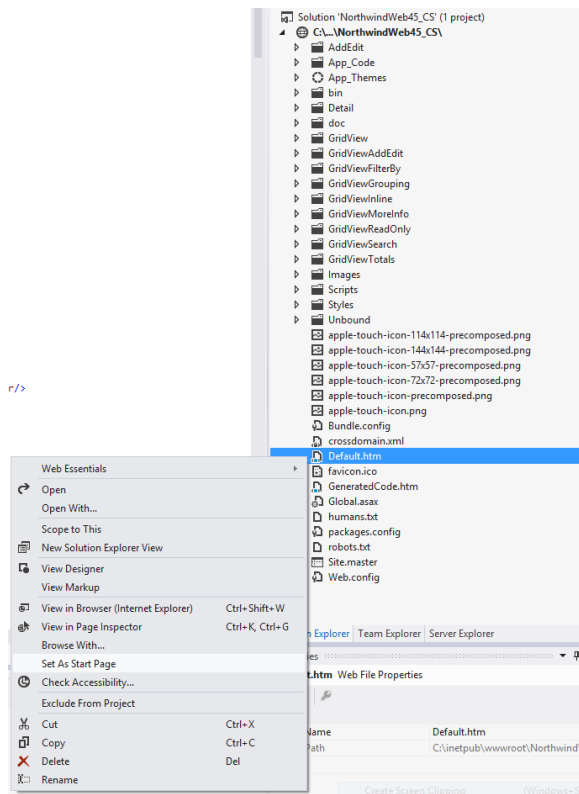


Figure 14 Set As Start Page

Thank You for using AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Listed below are the ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms generated by AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+.

Please [click here](#) to see the list of generated Middle-Tier (Business Objects) and Data-Tier code.

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Figure 15 List of Middle-Tier, Data-Tier, and Stored Procedures (or Dynamic SQL)

18. Close the web page and go back to *Visual Studio 2012*. The generated middle-tier and data-tier classes can be found under the *App_Code* folder. Please see Figure 16.

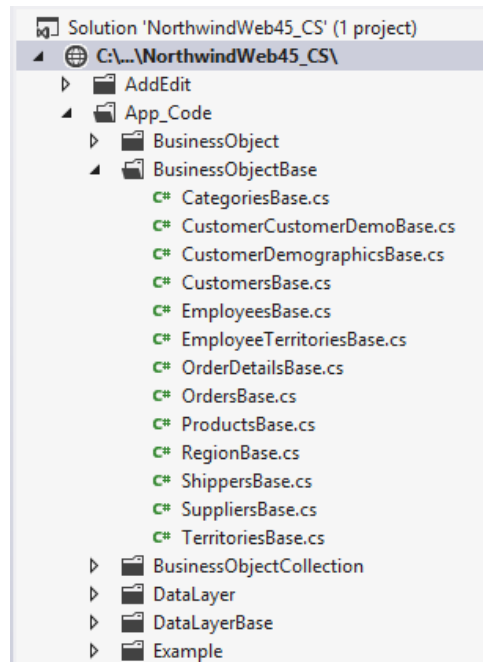


Figure 16 Middle-Tier and Data-Tier Classes Under *App_Code* Folder

19. The middle-tier classes can be found in folders:

- a. *BusinessObject*
- b. *BusinessObjectBase*
- c. *BusinessObjectCollection*

20. The data-layer classes can be found in folders:

- a. *DataLayer*
- b. *DataLayerBase*

21. You can find a deeper discussion on the generated web forms, middle-tier, data-tier, stored procedures or dynamic SQL under the Generated Code below. For now, this will be the end of this tutorial.

For All Views ¹

The *All Views* option generates objects for all views in the respective database.

1. To follow this tutorial make sure to delete the *NorthwindWeb* web site we generated under the *For All Tables* tutorial to get a fresh start. Also delete all the Stored Procedures that was generated by the earlier tutorial.
2. Open AspxFormsGen 4.5. By now you will notice that the last settings were saved. We could easily use the **One Click** feature by clicking the *Generate...* button right away, but don't for now.
3. Open the *Code Settings* tab then select *All Views* under the *Database Objects to Generate From*. Keep the rest of the settings on this tab. See Figure 17.

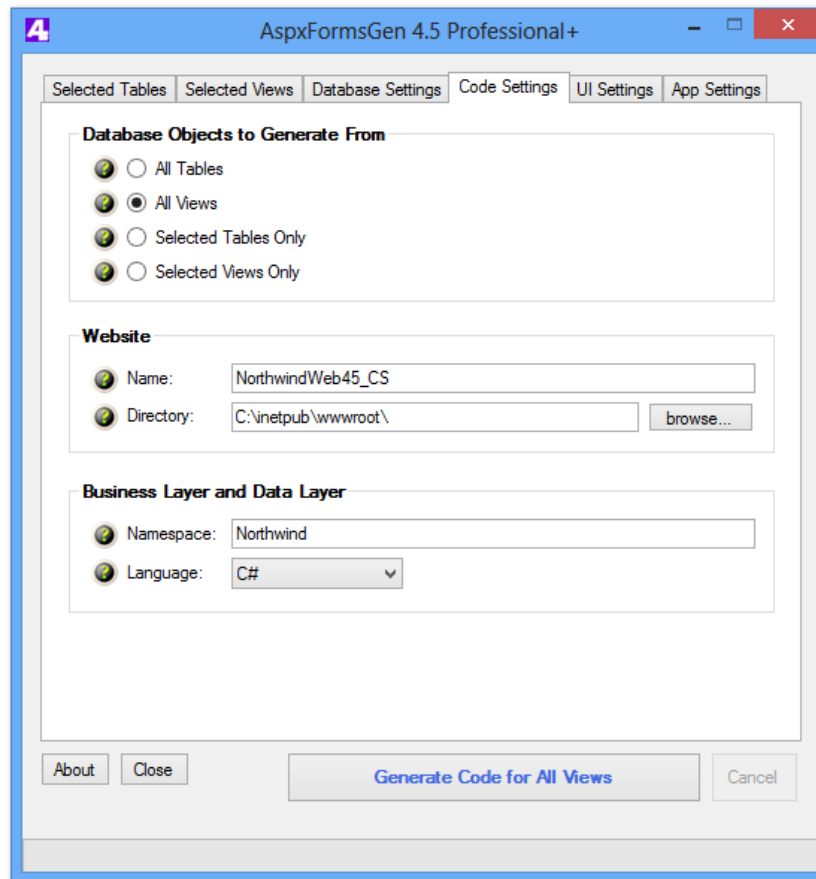


Figure 17 Code Settings Tab – All Views

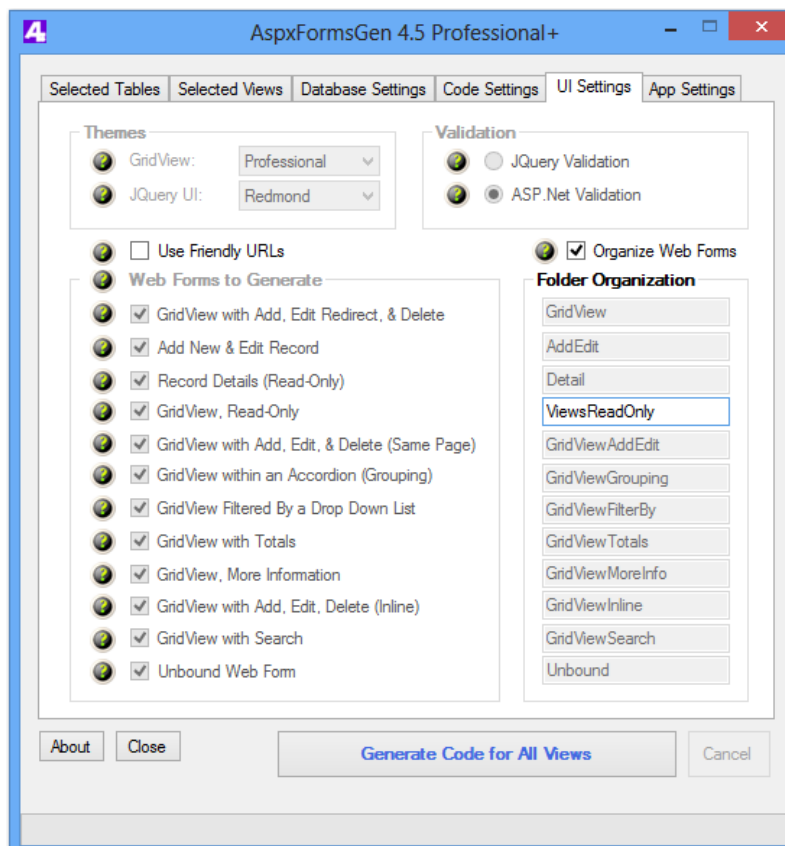


Figure 18 UI Settings Tab

- Open the *UI Settings* tab. You will notice that everything is disabled except for the *Organize Web Form* check box and the *GridView, Read-Only's* respective *Folder Organization/Web Form Prefix*. This is because views are **read-only**, that's why the only web forms that will be generated are read-only web forms. In short, there will be no CRUD operation for the generated web forms as well as the generated middle-tier, data-tier, and stored procedures or dynamic SQL.

Let's put the generated web forms to a different folder, change the text "*GridViewReadOnly*" to "*ViewsReadOnly*", of course you can put any text here. See Figure 18.

- We will keep all the settings under the *Database Settings* tab. Click the *Generate Code for All Views* button, AspxFormsGen will start generating code. See Figure 19.

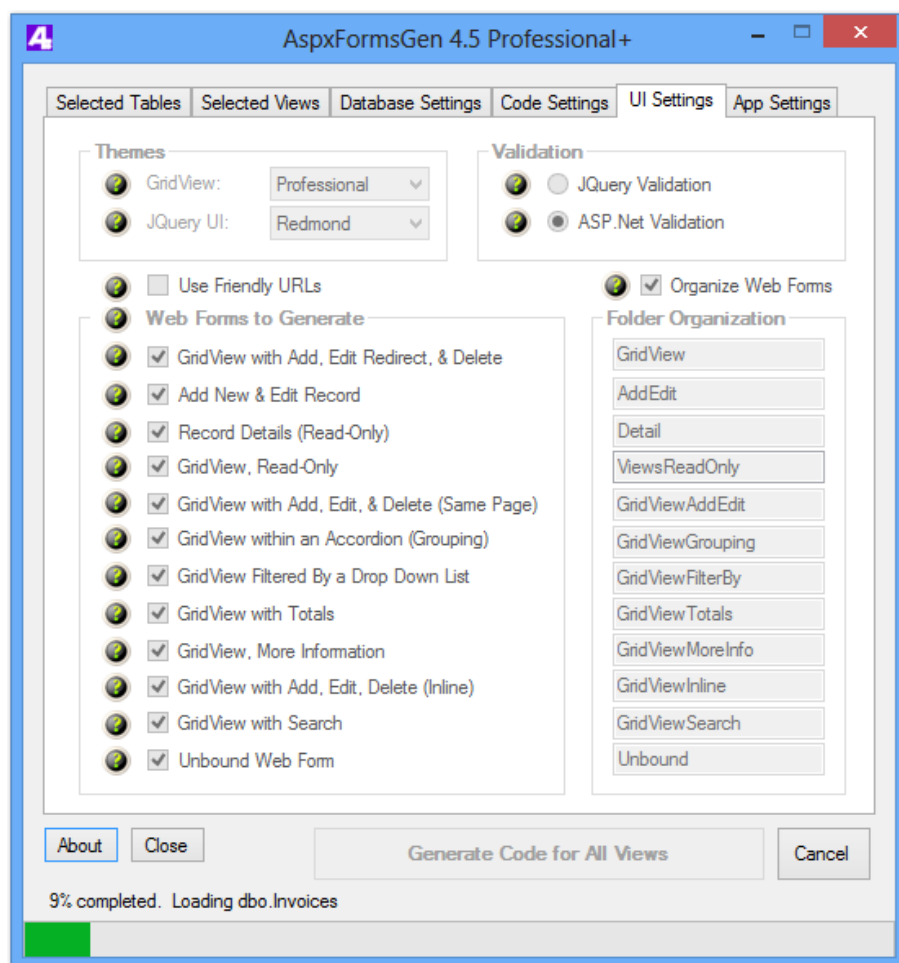


Figure 19 Generate Code For All Views

- When done generating code, a message box is shown. Click OK, and then close AspxFormsGen. See Figure 20.
- Open *Visual Studio 2012*. On the File menu click *Open Web Site*. See Figure 8 above.
- Point to the web site directory, and then click *Open*. See Figure 9 above.

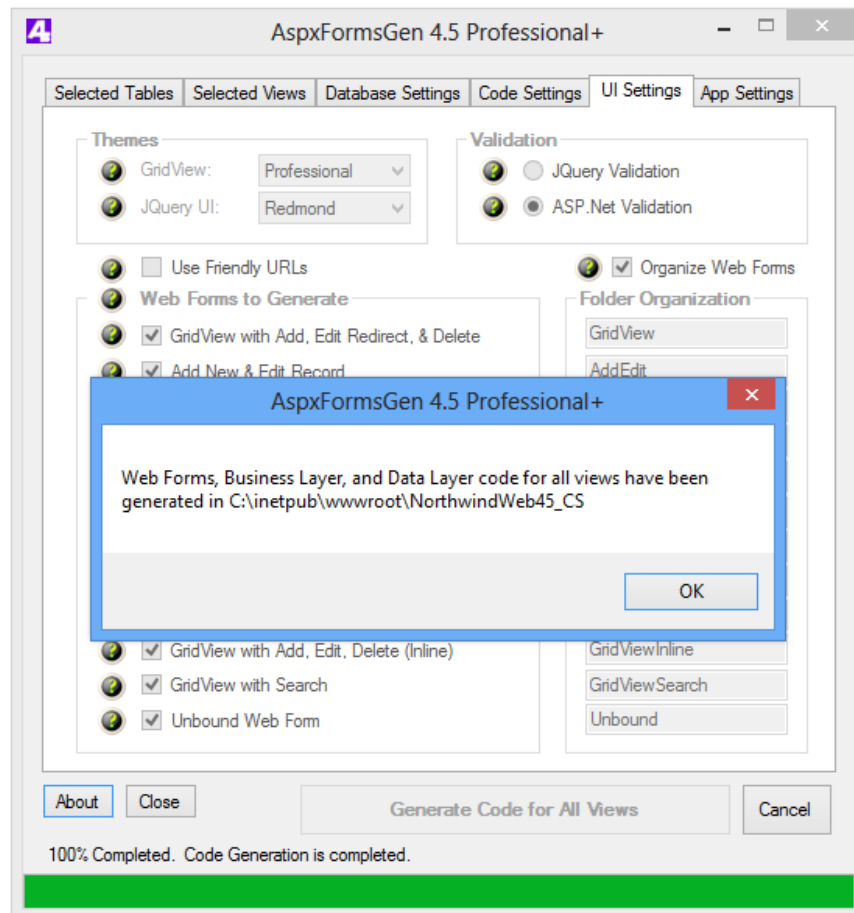


Figure 20 Done Generating Code For All Views

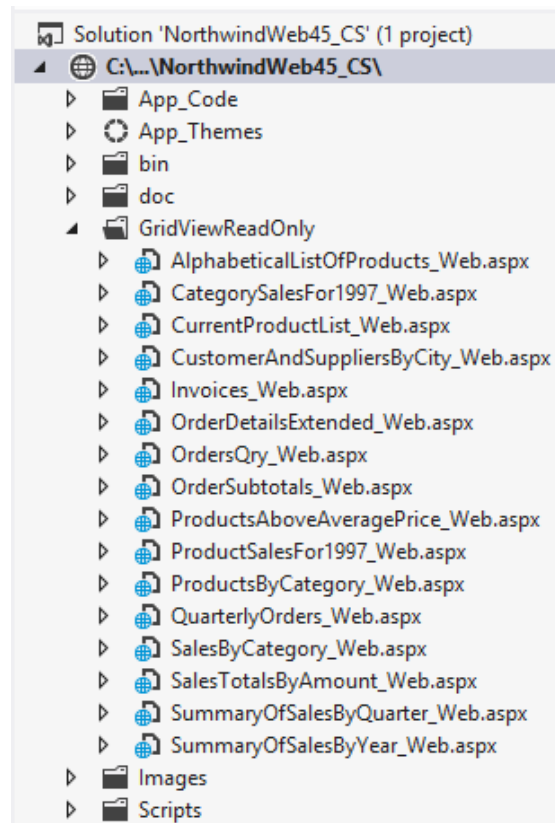


Figure 21 Generated Web Site

9. Let's pause for a moment and look at the generated objects under the *Solution Explorer*. You will notice that only one folder was generated for the web forms, the *ViewsReadOnly* folder, as we specified during code generation. See Figure 21.
10. Set the *default.htm* as Start page. See Figure 10 above.
11. Run the web site by pressing F5. You will now see a different list. See Figure 22.

Thank You for using AspXFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Listed below are the ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms generated by AspXFormsGen 4.5 Professional+.

Please [click here](#) to see the list of generated Middle-Tier (Business Objects) and Data-Tier code.

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Figure 22 List of Generated Web Forms

12. Notice that we only generated *GridView, Read-Only* type web forms. **Note:** When you choose *All Views* or *Selected Views Only* under the *Code Settings* tab in AspXFormsGen 4.5, this is the only type of web form that is generated.
13. Let's preview one of the generated web forms. Click on the very first link. See Figure 23.
14. This web form is Read-Only. There's no Add, Edit/Update, and Delete operation on this web form unlike Figure 12.
15. Close the web page and go back to Visual Studio 2012. From the *Solution Explorer*, right-click on the *GeneratedCode.htm* and then click *Set As Start Page*. See Figure 14.
16. Run Visual Studio by pressing F5. You will see a list of all the generated middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, and stored procedures (or dynamic SQL classes). See Figure 24. You can hover over each of the link to see where each file is located.

Notice that under the *Stored Procedures* everything is "Select All", there's no *SelectByPrimaryKey*, *Insert*, *Update*, etc. Again for when you choose *All Views* or *Selected Views Only* under the *Code Settings* tab in AspXFormsGen 4.5, this is the only type of stored procedures (or dynamic SQL methods) that is generated.

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<u>Category ID</u>	<u>Category Name</u>	<u>Product Name</u>	<u>Product Sales</u>
6	Meat/Poultry	Alice Mutton	\$17,604.60
2	Condiments	Aniseed Syrup	\$1,724.00
8	Seafood	Boston Crab Meat	\$9,814.73
4	Dairy Products	Camembert Pierrot	\$20,505.40
8	Seafood	Carnarvon Tigers	\$15,950.00
1	Beverages	Chai	\$4,887.00
1	Beverages	Chang	\$7,038.55
1	Beverages	Chartreuse verte	\$4,475.70
2	Condiments	Chef Anton's Cajun Seasoning	\$5,214.88
2	Condiments	Chef Anton's Gumbo Mix	\$373.63
3	Confections	Chocolate	\$1,282.01
1	Beverages	Côte de Blaye	\$49,198.09
8	Seafood	Escargots de Bourgogne	\$2,076.28
5	Grains/Cereals	Filo Mix	\$2,124.15
4	Dairy Products	Flotemysost	\$8,438.76
4	Dairy Products	Geitost	\$786.00

Figure 23 GridView, Read-Only Web Form (Sales By Category View)

Stored Procedures	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [dbo].[AlphabeticalListOfProducts_SelectAll] • [dbo].[CategorySalesFor1997_SelectAll] • [dbo].[CurrentProductList_SelectAll] • [dbo].[CustomerAndSuppliersByCity_SelectAll] • [dbo].[Invoices_SelectAll] • [dbo].[OrderDetailsExtended_SelectAll] • [dbo].[OrderSubtotals_SelectAll] • [dbo].[OrdersQry_SelectAll] • [dbo].[ProductSalesFor1997_SelectAll] • [dbo].[ProductsAboveAveragePrice_SelectAll] • [dbo].[ProductsByCategory_SelectAll] • [dbo].[QuarterlyOrders_SelectAll] • [dbo].[SalesByCategory_SelectAll] • [dbo].[SalesTotalsByAmount_SelectAll] • [dbo].[SummaryOfSalesByQuarter_SelectAll] • [dbo].[SummaryOfSalesByYear_SelectAll] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Created in the database and used for CRUD operations • Do not rewrite or edit generated stored procedure, instead • Generated Stored Procedures may include; select all, select by • Generated only when the Stored Procedure option is selected • At least 5 Stored Procedures are generated per table (for most) • Located directly in the database

Figure 24 List of Generated Code, Stored Procedures List

17. Close the web page and go back to *Visual Studio 2012*. The generated middle-tier and data-tier classes are the same as seen in Figure 16 above and can also be found under the *App_Code* folder.
18. You can find a deeper discussion on the generated web forms, middle-tier, data-tier, stored procedures or dynamic SQL under the Generated Code below. For now, this will be the end of this tutorial.

For Selected Tables Only

The *Selected Tables Only* option generates objects for selected tables only, in the respective database.

1. To follow this tutorial make sure to delete the *NorthwindWeb* web site we generated earlier to get a fresh start. Also delete all the Stored Procedures that was generated by the earlier tutorial.
2. Open AspxFormsGen 4.5. By now you will notice that the last settings were saved. We could easily use the **One Click** feature by clicking the *Generate...* button right away, but don't for now.
3. Open the *Code Settings* tab then select *Selected Tables Only* under the *Database Objects to Generate From*. Keep the rest of the settings on this tab. See Figure 25. Selecting the *Selected Tables Only* option will open the *Selected Tables* tab by default; you can change this behavior under the *App Settings* tab if you want, simply uncheck the *Automatically Open Selected Tables or Selected View* tab.
4. The *Load Table* button is now enabled. See Figure 26.
5. Click the *Load Table* button, and then select the following tables as shown in Figure 27.
6. Open the *Database Settings*¹ tab and select *Use Dynamic SQL*¹ under the *Generated SQL* group. We're doing this so we can see another option in generating SQL code. See Figure 28.

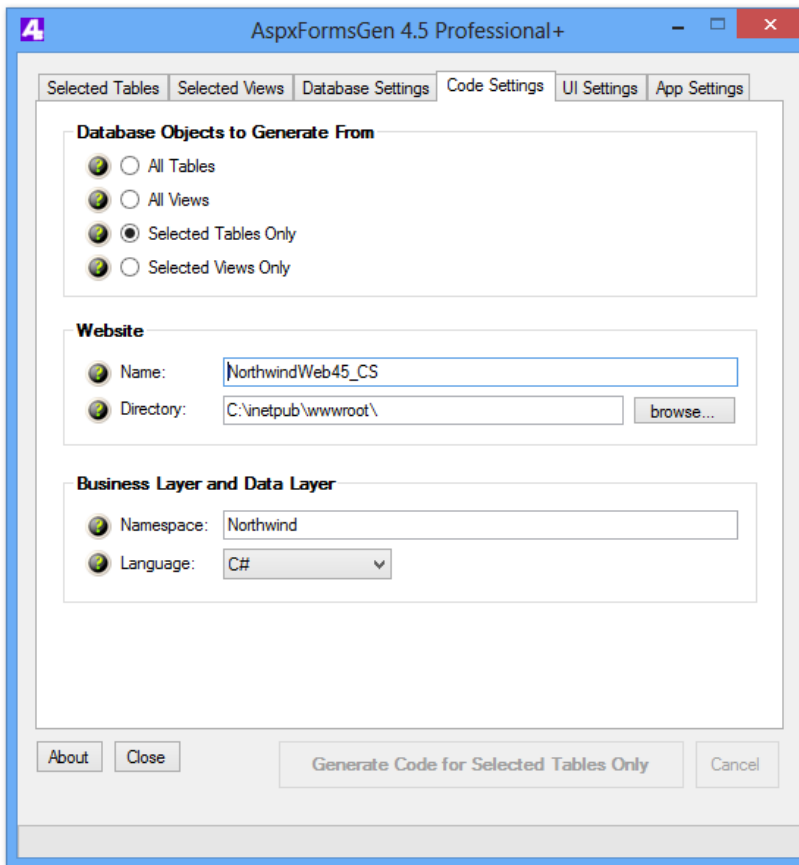


Figure 25 Code Settings Tab – Selected Tables Only

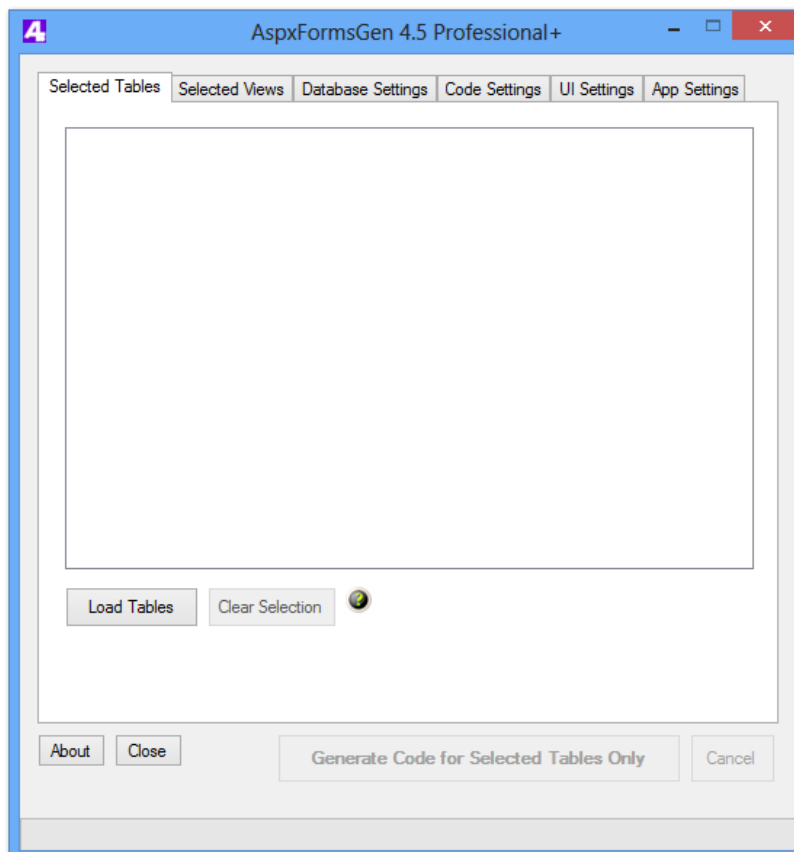


Figure 26 Selected Tables Tab

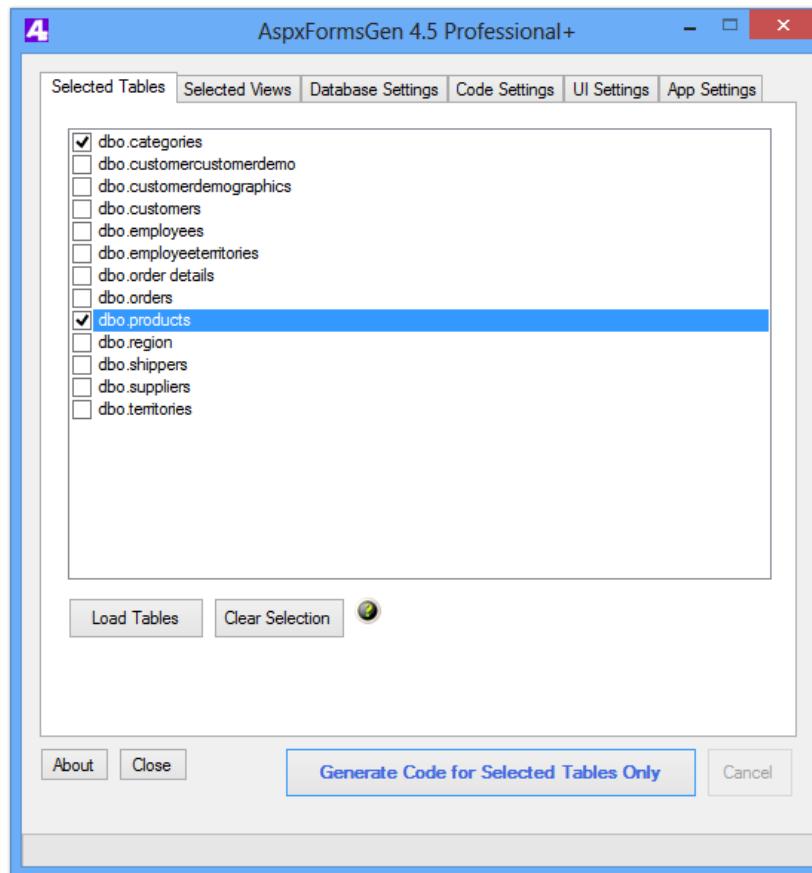


Figure 27 Load Tables, Select Tables

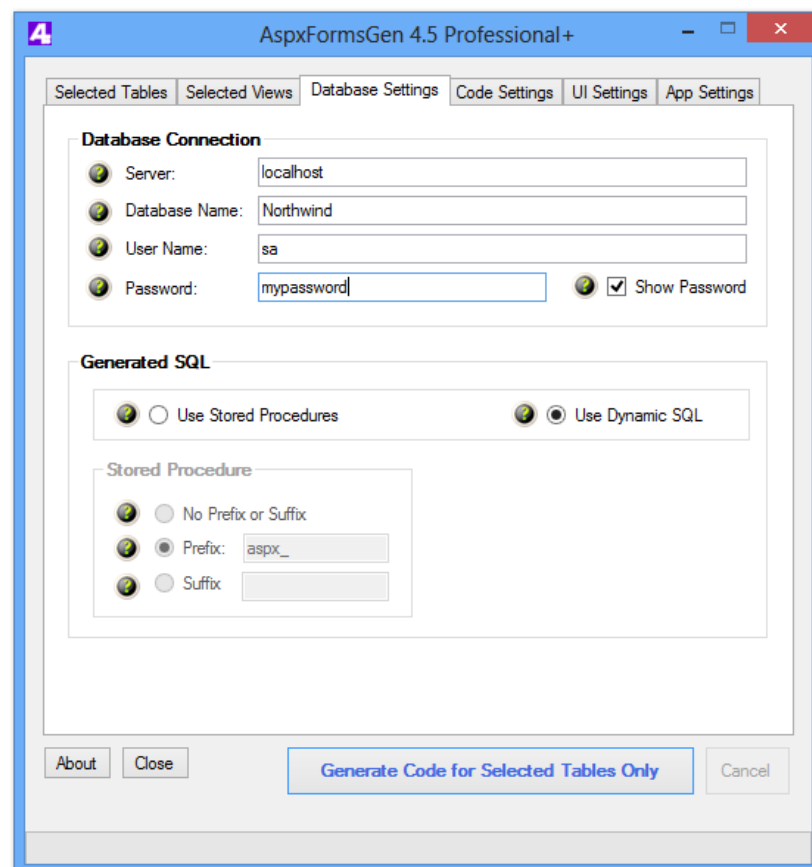


Figure 28 Generated SQL - Use Dynamic SQL

- Open the *UI Settings*¹ tab, and then uncheck *Organize Web Forms*¹. In this tutorial, we would like to generate just a few types of web forms, so we will uncheck a few items under the *Web Forms to Generate* group.

Notice that as you uncheck *GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete* or *Add New & Edit Record*, or *Record Details (Read-Only)* under the *Web Forms to Generate* group, other two would also toggle. This is because these 3 options are related. And then Keep the rest of the settings. See Figure 29.

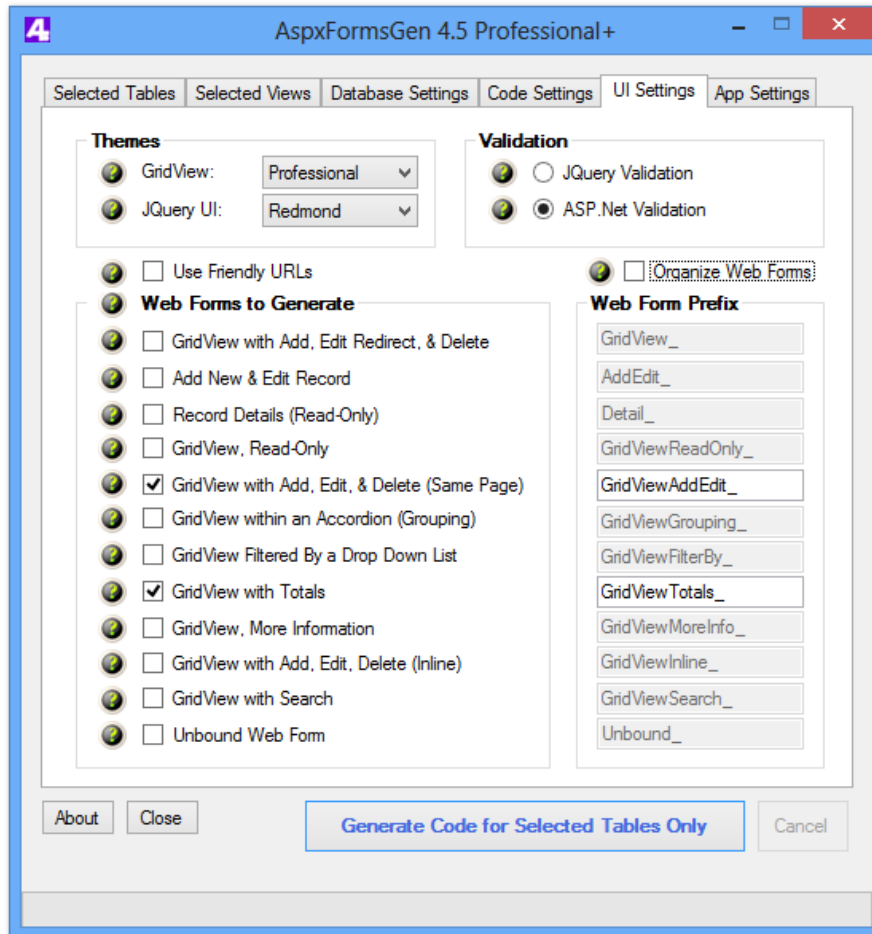


Figure 28 UI Settings - Options

- Click the *Generate Code for Selected Tables Only* button, AspxFormsGen will start generating code. See Figure 29.
- When done generating code, a message box is shown. Click OK, and then close AspxFormsGen. See Figure 30.
- Open *Visual Studio 2012*. On the File menu click *Open Web Site*. See Figure 8 above.
- Point to the web site directory, and then click *Open*. See Figure 9 above.
- Let's pause for a moment and look at the generated objects under the *Solution Explorer*. You will notice that no folder was generated for the web forms, instead, a prefix is added to each web form as we specified during code generation. Only two types of web forms were generated. See Figure 31.

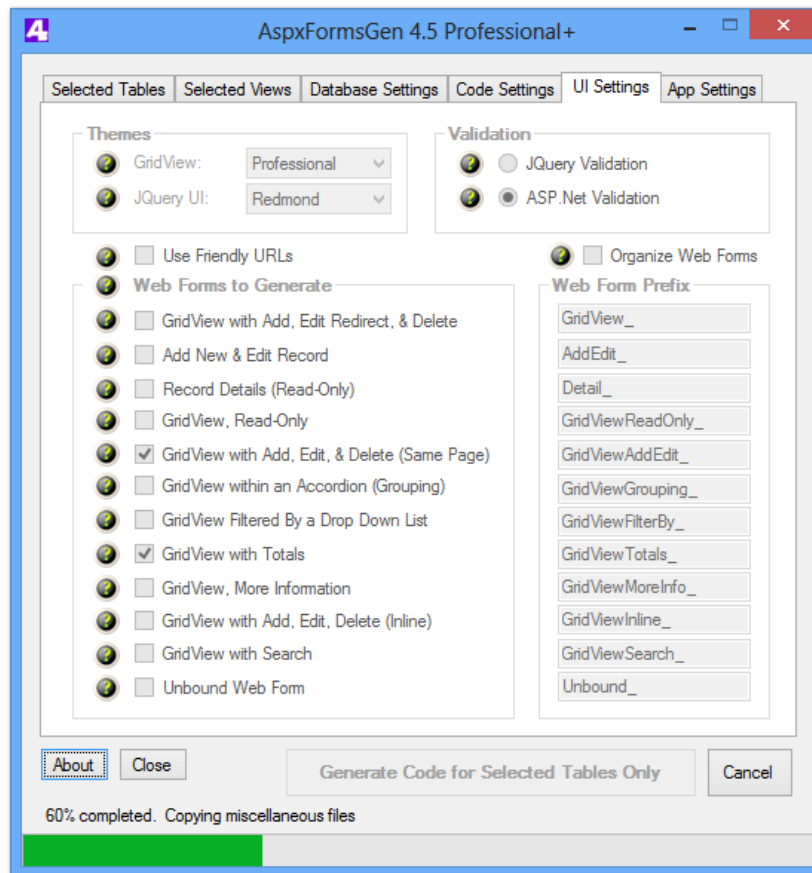


Figure 29 Generate Code for Selected Tables Only

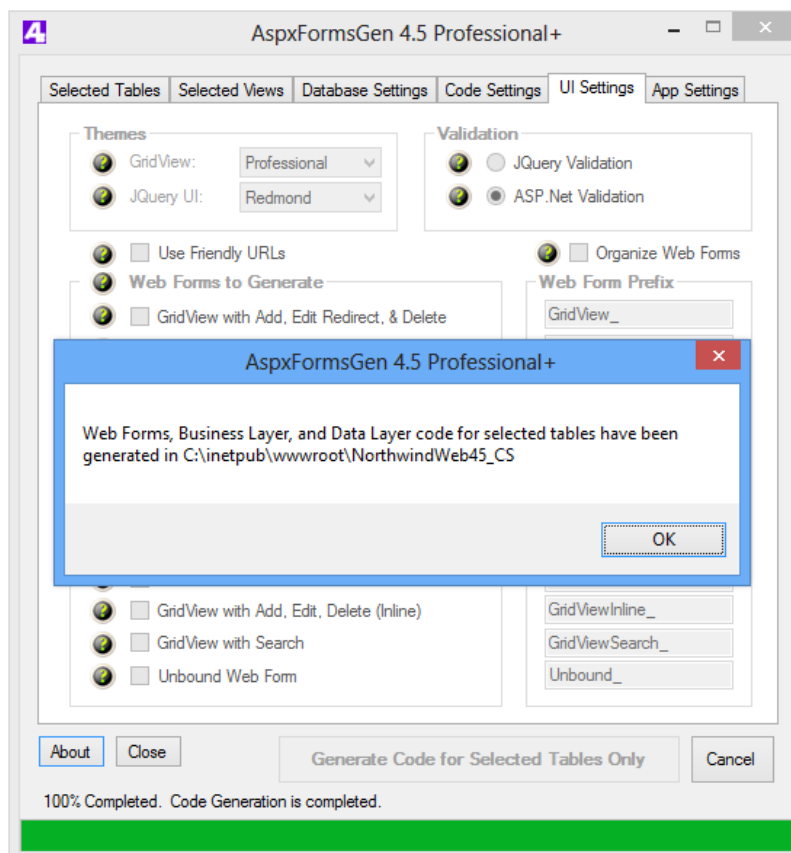


Figure 30 Done Generating Code for Selected Tables Only

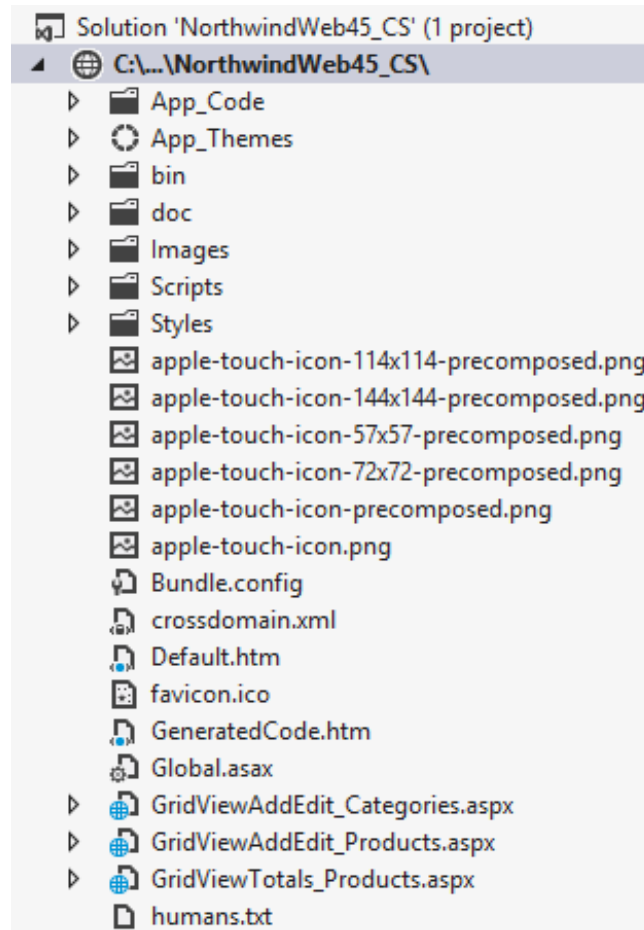


Figure 31 Generated Web Site

13. Set the *default.htm* as Start page. See Figure 10 above.

14. Run the web site by pressing *F5*. You will now see a different list. See Figure 32.

Thank You for using AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Listed below are the ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms generated by AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+.

Please [click here](#) to see the list of generated Middle-Tier (Business Objects) and Data-Tier code.

GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Functionality on the Same Page)	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GridViewAddEdit_Categories.aspx GridViewAddEdit_Products.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be used in the administration part of your website Contains a GridView Server Control that has CRUD (Create, Retrieve, Update, Delete) functionality. Add a new record on the same page with JQuery animation Update an existing record on the same page with JQuery animation Delete functionality uses a JQuery UI Pop-up for delete confirmation A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key) Uses model binding to retrieve data GridView retrieves data on demand using Skip/Take logic GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table
GridView with Totals	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GridViewTotals_Products.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be used to show Totals (Money and Number of Records) Contains a GridView Server Control. No CRUD functionality (read-only). Shows total number of records Shows sub and grand totals on the footer for money fields Uses model binding to retrieve data GridView retrieves data on demand using Skip/Take logic GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the header GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer A JQuery Tooltip pop-up link is provided for all Foreign Key columns (for details on the foreign key) One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated for tables that have money data fields

Figure 32 List of Generated Web Forms

15. Notice that we only generated *GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Functionality on the Same Page)*¹ and the *GridView with Totals*¹ type web forms.
16. Let's preview one of the generated web forms. Click on the *GridViewAddEdit_Products.aspx* link. See Figure 33.

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 [Add New Categories](#)

Category ID	Category Name	Description		
1	Beverages	Soft drinks, coffees, teas, beers, and ales		
2	Condiments	Sweet and savory sauces, relishes, spreads, and seasonings		
3	Confections	Desserts, candies, and sweet breads		
4	Dairy Products	Cheeses		
5	Grains/Cereals	Breads, crackers, pasta, and cereal		
6	Meat/Poultry	Prepared meats		
7	Produce	Dried fruit and bean curd		
8	Seafood	Seaweed and fish		

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Figure 33 GridViewAddEdit Web Form

17. Unlike the *GridView with Add, Edit Redirect, & Delete*¹ web form seen in Figure 12, you can Add a New Record and Update an existing record on this same web page. Go ahead and play around using the web page's functionalities.
18. Close the web page and go back to Visual Studio 2012. From the *Solution Explorer*, right-click on the *GeneratedCode.htm* and then click *Set As Start Page*. See Figure 14 above.
19. Run Visual Studio by pressing *F5*. You will see a list of all the generated middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, and dynamic SQL classes instead of stored procedures as we specified in AspxFormsGen 4.5. See Figure 34. You can hover over each of the link to see where each file is located.

Data Layer Base Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CategoriesDataLayerBase.cs ProductsDataLayerBase.cs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Used as the base class to the Data Layer class Do not add or edit code here Encapsulates calls to Stored Procedures or Dynamic SQL One Class is generated per table Located in the \DataLayerBase\ folder
Code Examples	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CategoriesExample.cs ProductsExample.cs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generated solely to show how to use the Generated Code Example code can be copied and pasted directly to your client code (ASP.Net) You can delete the whole directory if you don't need it One Class is generated per table Located in the \Example\ folder
Dynamic SQL Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CategoriesSQL.cs ProductsSQL.cs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains T-SQL CRUD operations in the code Do not rewrite or edit generated Dynamic SQL, instead, new dynamic Generated Dynamic SQL may include; select all, select by primary key, insert Generated only when the Dynamic SQL option is selected One Class is generated per table Located in the \SQL\ folder

Figure 34 List of Generated Code, Dynamic SQL List

20. Close the web page and go back to *Visual Studio 2012*. The generated middle-tier and data-tier classes are the same as seen in Figure 16 above and can also be found under the *App_Code* folder. However, a new folder called “SQL” has been added. This is where all the Dynamic SQL code was generated into. See Figure 35.
21. If you open *MS SQL Server Management Studio*, under the *Stored Procedures*¹ node, no stored procedures were generated, this is because AspXFormsGen 4.5 generated *Dynamic SQL*¹ instead, just like we specified.
22. You can find a deeper discussion on the generated web forms, middle-tier, data-tier, stored procedures or dynamic SQL under the Generated Code below. For now, this will be the end of this tutorial.

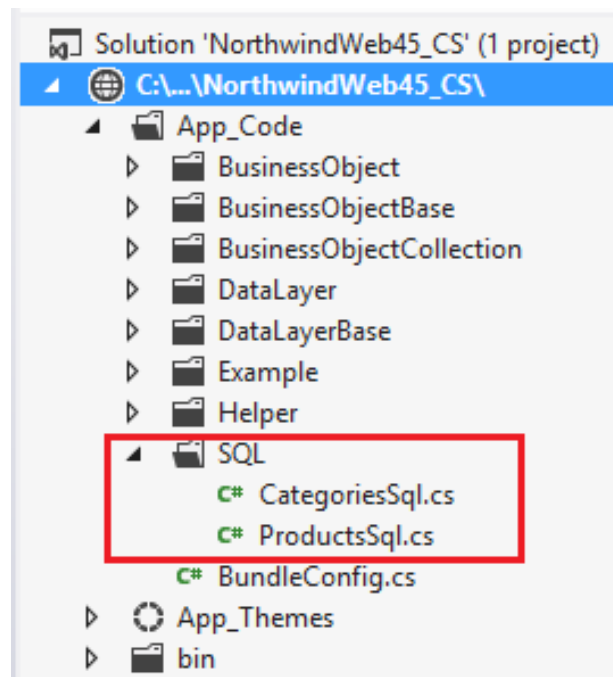


Figure 35 Dynamic SQL Folder

For Selected Views Only ¹

The *Selected Views Only* option generates objects for selected views only, in the respective database.

1. To follow this tutorial make sure to delete the *NorthwindWeb* web site we generated earlier to get a fresh start. Also delete all the Stored Procedures (if any) that was generated by the earlier tutorial.
2. Open AspxFormsGen 4.5. By now you will notice that the last settings were saved. We could easily use the **One Click** feature by clicking the *Generate...* button right away, but don't for now.
3. Open the *Code Settings* tab then select *Selected Views Only* under the *Database Objects to Generate From* and change the *Language* under *Business Layer and Data Layer group* to VB.NET. Keep the rest of the settings on this tab. See Figure 36. Selecting the *Selected Views Only* option will open the *Selected Views* tab by default; you can change this behavior under *the App Settings* tab if you want, simply uncheck the *Automatically Open Selected Tables or Selected View* tab.

Note: If you get redirected to the *Selected Views* tab, simply go back to the *Code Settings* tab and then under the *Database Objects to Generate From* and change the *Language* under *Business Layer and Data Layer group* to VB.NET. See Figure 36. Now go back to the *Selected Views* tab.

4. The *Load Views* button is now enabled. See Figure 37.
5. Click the *Load Views* button, and then select the following views as shown in Figure 38.
6. Open the *Database Settings* tab and select *Use Stored Procedures* under the *Generated SQL* group, and then choose the *Prefix* option under *Stored procedures*, enter a *Prefix* for the *Stored Procedures..* See Figure 39.

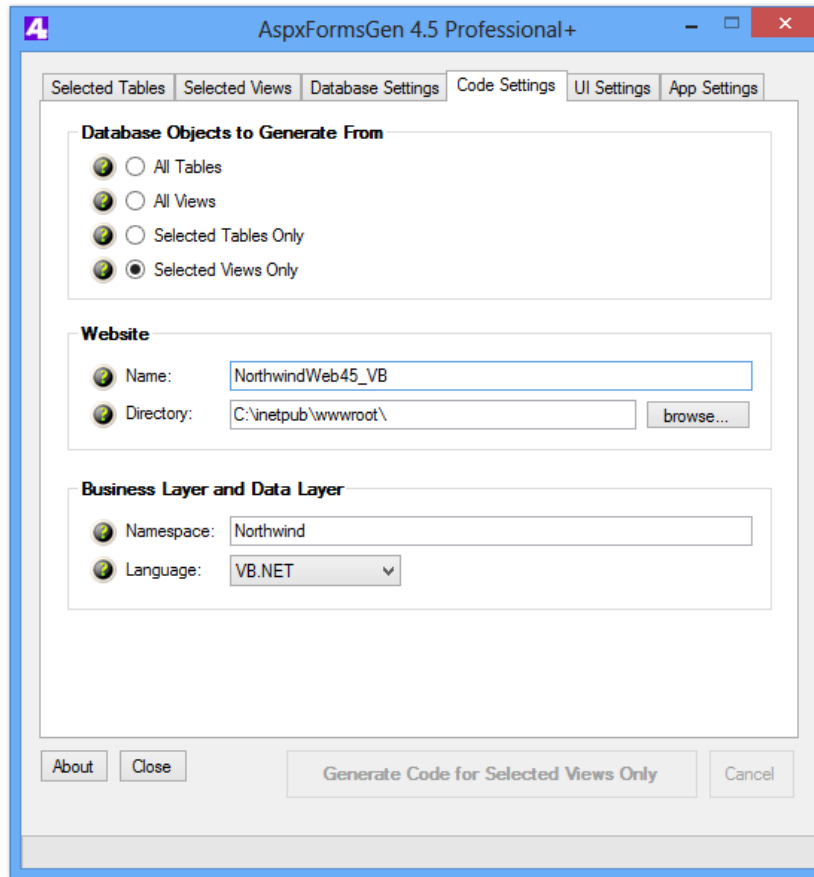


Figure 36 Code Settings Tab – Selected Views Only

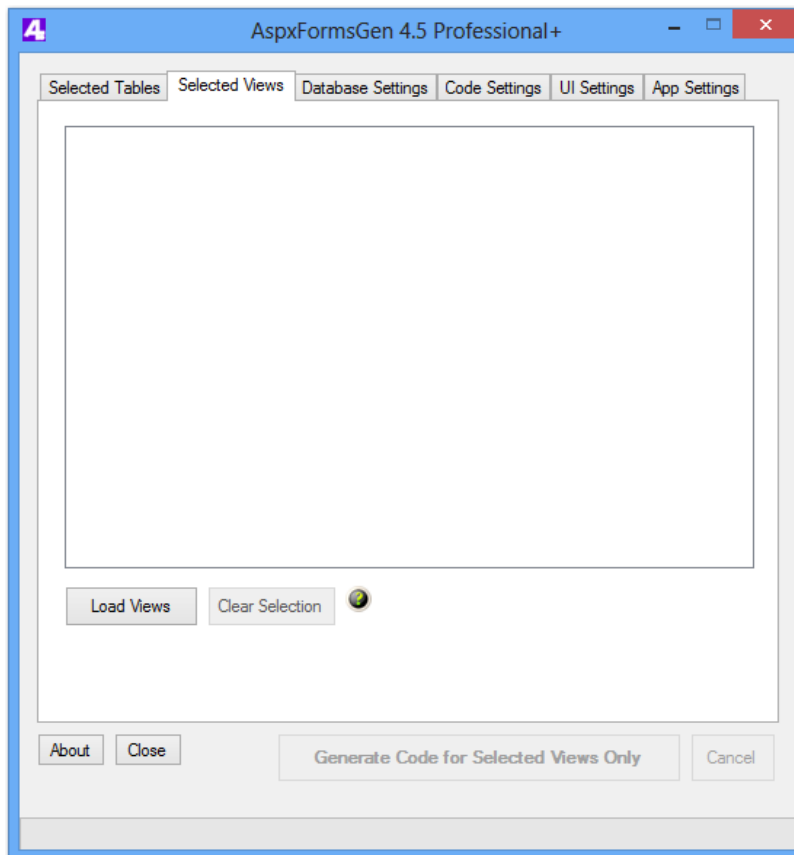


Figure 37 Selected Views Tab

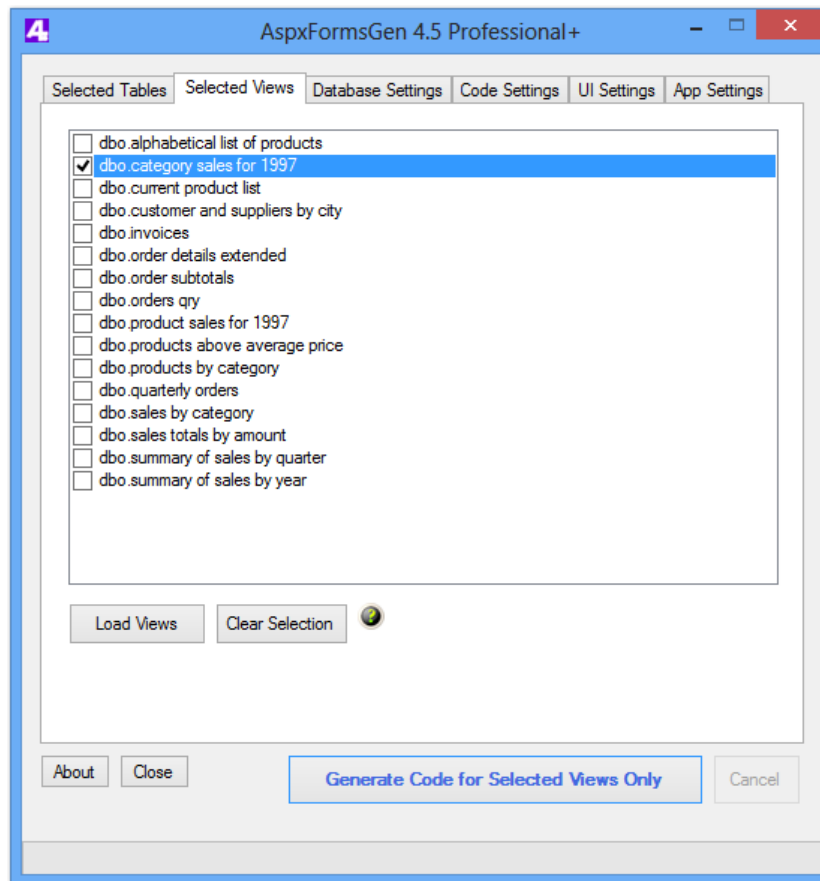


Figure 38 Load Views, Select Views

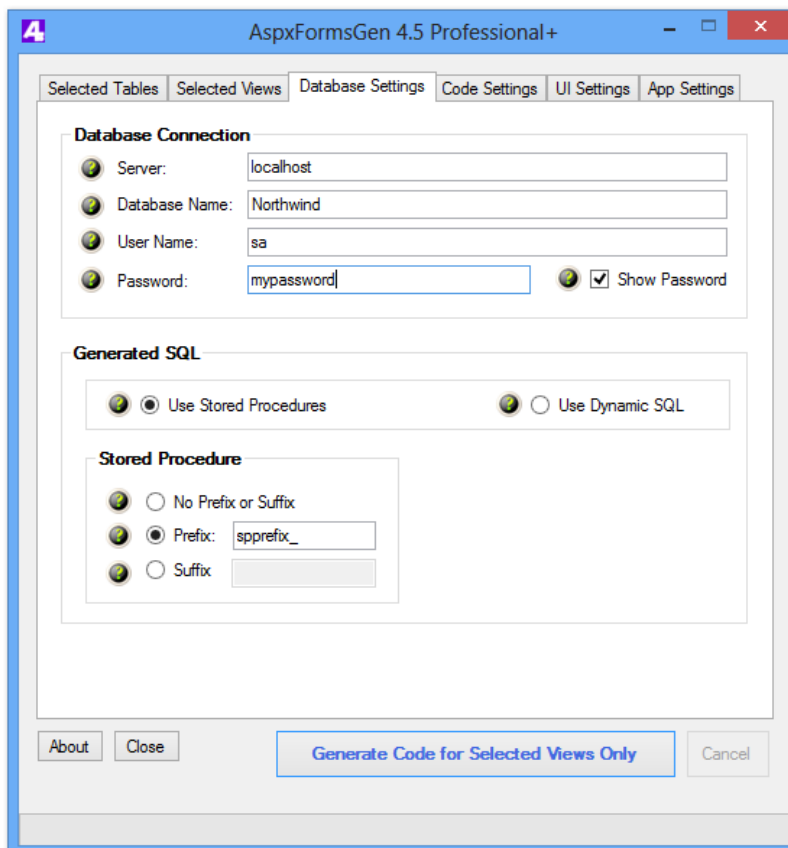


Figure 39 Database Settings – Stored Procedures with Prefix

- Open the *UI Settings* tab. You will notice that everything is disabled except for the *Organize Web Form* check box and the *GridView, Read-Only's* respective *Folder Organization/Web Form Prefix*. This is because views are **read-only**, that's why the only web forms that will be generated are read-only web forms. In short, there will be no CRUD operation for the generated web forms as well as the generated middle-tier, data-tier, and stored procedures or dynamic SQL.

Uncheck *Organize Web Forms*. And then change the text “*GridViewReadOnly_*” to “*ViewPrefix_*”, of course you can put any text here. See Figure 40.

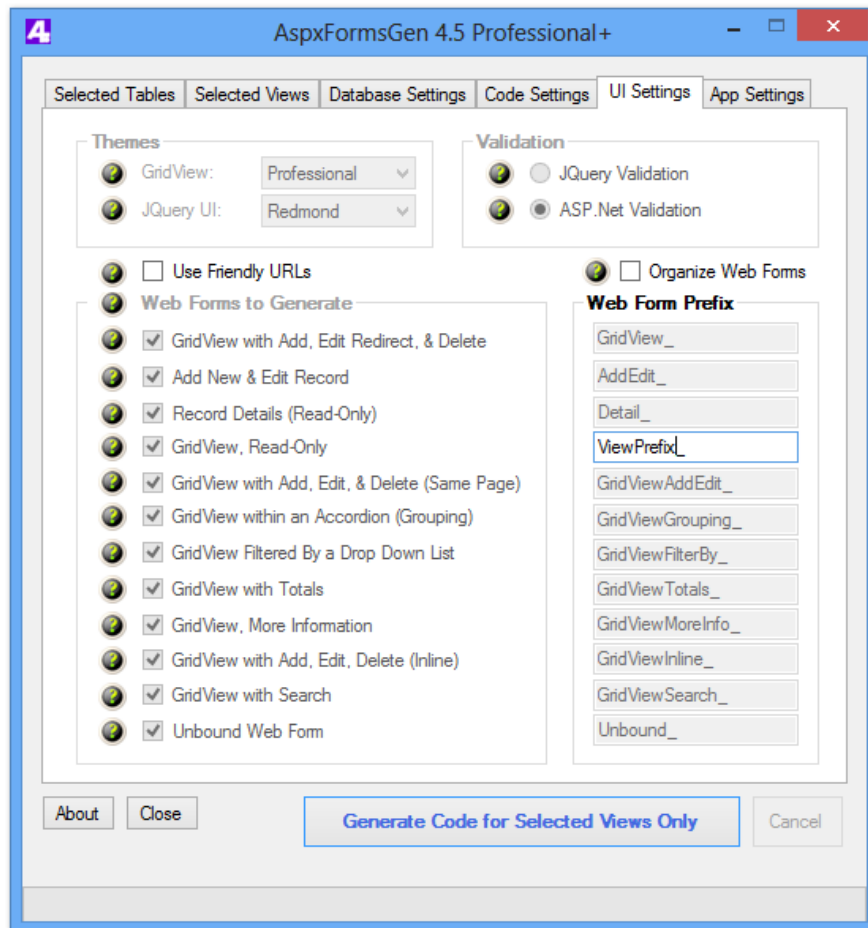


Figure 40 Code Settings - Options

- Click the *Generate Code for Selected Views Only* button, AspxFormsGen will start generating code. See Figure 41.
- When done generating code, a message box is shown. Click OK, and then close AspxFormsGen. See Figure 42.
- Open *Visual Studio 2012*. On the File menu click *Open Web Site*. See Figure 8 above.
- Point to the web site directory, and then click *Open*. See Figure 9 above.
- Let's pause for a moment and look at the generated objects under the *Solution Explorer*. You will notice that no folder was generated for the web forms, instead, a prefix is added to each web form as we specified during code generation. Only two types of web forms were generated. See Figure 43.

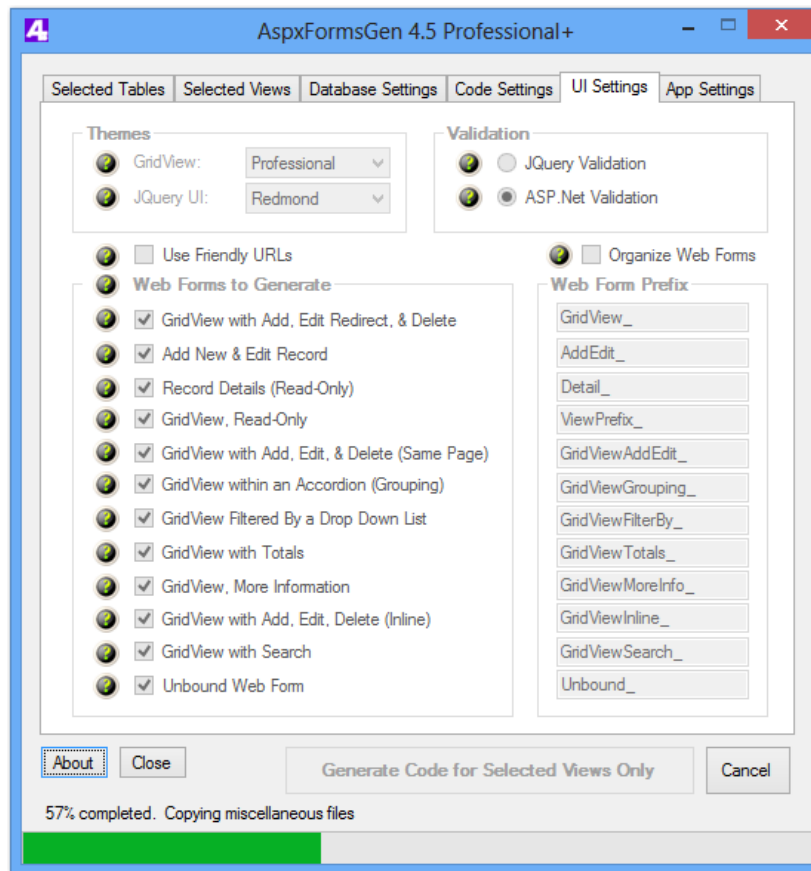


Figure 41 Generate Code For Selected Views Only

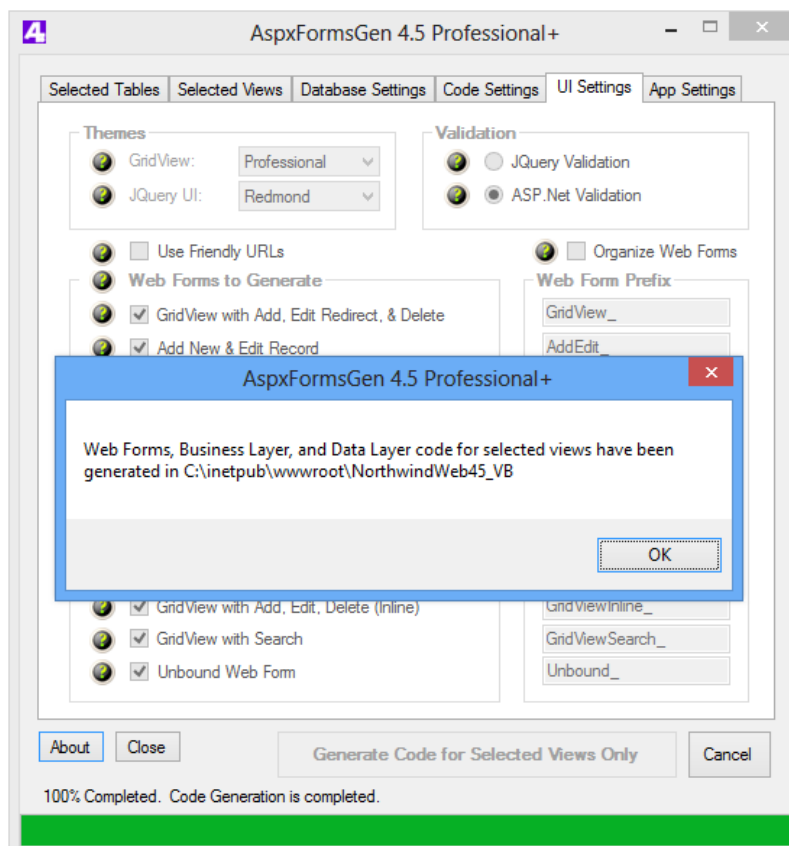


Figure 42 Done Generating Code For Selected Views Only

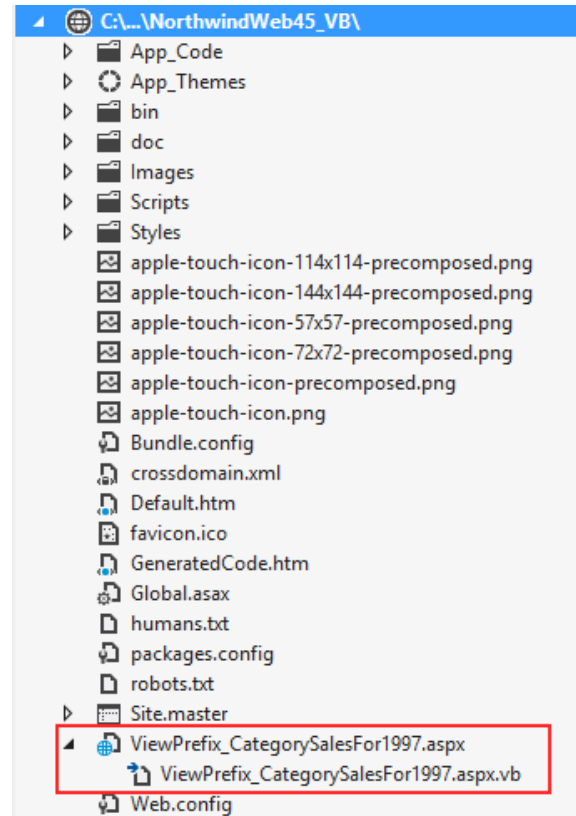


Figure 43 Generated Web Site

13. Open *MS SQL Server Management Studio* and then navigate to the *Stored Procedures* node of the respective database. Notice that the stored procedures that were generated have the prefix we specified in AspxFormsGen 4.5. See Figure 44.

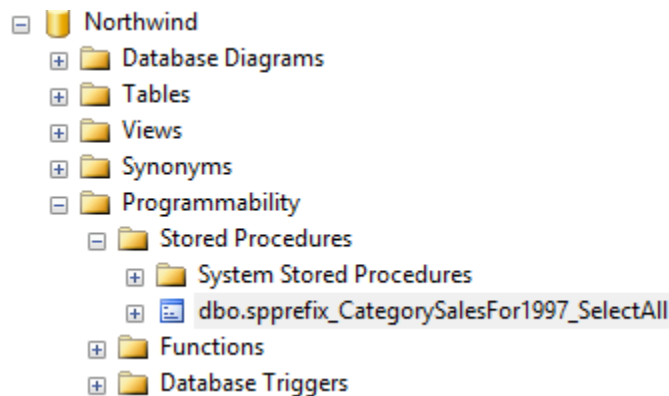


Figure 44 Generated Stored Procedures with Prefix

14. Set the *default.htm* as Start page. See Figure 10 above.
15. Run the web site by pressing F5. You will now see a different list. See Figure 45.

GridView, Read-Only	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ViewPrefix_CategorySalesFor1997.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be used in the public facing part of the application • Contains a GridView Server Control. No data is returned from the database. • GridView uses a Sort Direction Image in the footer. • GridView uses Numeric Paging in the footer. • One ASP.NET 4.5 Web Form is generated per table.

Figure 45 List of Generated Web Forms

- Notice that the generated web forms have a prefix as we specified in AspxFormsGen 4.5 under the *UI Settings* tab.
- Open *Visual Studio 2012*. From the *Solution Explorer*, right-click on the *GeneratedCode.htm* and then click *Set As Start Page*. See Figure 14 above.
- Run Visual Studio by pressing F5. You will see a list of all the generated middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, and stored procedures with prefixes as we specified in AspxFormsGen 4.5. See Figure 46. You can hover over each of the link to see where each file is located.

Thank You for using AspxFormsGen 4.5 Professional+. Listed below are the Middle-Tier, Data-Tier, and SQL code generated. All generated code listed here are located in the App_code folder, except for the Stored Procedures which are directly in the database.

Business Object Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CategorySalesFor1997.vb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note: The only code you call from your application • Used as the gateway middle layer object the client calls • Most CRUD calls can be made in one (1) line of code • Inherits from the respective BusinessObjectBase class • You can add additional code here (it will not be overwritten by the generated code) • One Class is generated per table • Located in the \BusinessObject\ folder
Business Object Base Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CategorySalesFor1997Base.vb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used as the base class to the Business Object class • Do not add or edit code here • Contains table fields as properties • Encapsulates calls to the data layer • One Class is generated per table • Located in the \BusinessObjectBase\ folder
Business Object Collection Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CategorySalesFor1997Collection.vb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used as the Collection of the Business Object Class • Do not add or edit code here • One Class is generated per table • Located in the \BusinessObjectCollection\ folder
Data Layer Classes	Features
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CategorySalesFor1997DataLayer.vb 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used as the gateway data layer object the middle tier object calls • Inherits from the respective DataLayerBase class • You can add additional code here (it will not be overwritten by the generated code) • One Class is generated per table • Located in the \DataLayer\ folder

Figure 46 List of Generated Code, In VB.NET

- Close the web page, for now this will be the end of this tutorial. You can find a deeper discussion on the generated web forms, middle-tier, data-tier, stored procedures or dynamic SQL under the *Generated Code* below.

Generated Code

AspxFormsGen 4.5 generates ASP.NET 4.5 web forms, middle-tier and data tier classes, example classes, dynamic SQL classes, and stored procedures. All code other than the stored procedures is generated in either C# or VB.NET. AspxFormsGen 4.5 can generate from Tables or Views as source. AspxFormsGen 4.5 is made up of 2 main engines, the AspxFormsGen engine which generates the web forms and the AspxCodeGen engine, which generates the middle-tier, data-tier, dynamic SQL and stored procedures. This portion will discuss the parts of the generated code.

AspxFormsGen 4.5 generates a 3-tier structure web site.

1. User Interface (Front-end) – ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms (client).
2. Business Objects (Middle Layer) – Middle Tier Classes.
3. Data Layer – Data Tier Classes, Stored Procedures or Dynamic SQL Classes.

ASP.NET 4.5 Web Forms

The following web forms will be generated when they are selected (checked) under the *UI Settings* tab in the *Web Forms to Generate* group.

1. GridView with Add, Edit Redirect & Delete¹
2. Add New & Edit Record¹
3. Record Details (Read Only)¹
4. GridView, Read-Only:¹ **Note:** The only web form type generated when *All Views* or *Selected View Only* is selected.
5. GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Same Page)¹
6. GridView within an Accordion (Grouping)¹
7. GridView Filtered By a Drop Down List¹
8. GridView with Totals¹
9. GridView, More Information¹
10. GridView with Add, Edit, Delete (Inline) **(New)**¹
11. GridView with Search **(New)**¹
12. Unbound Web Form (**Note:** the only web form generated for the Express Edition)

Each one of the 10 web form types above will either be generated organized in folders or named with prefix and placed in the root website directory. You can organize them into folders by checking the *Organize Web Forms* check box under the *UI Settings*. If this setting is unchecked, the generated web forms will be placed in the root web site directory, and each web form name will be prefixed by the respective prefixes which are found under the *Web Form Prefix* group. Please see the description of the respective web form type above under the *UI Settings* discussion.

Middle-Tier Classes

The middle-tier class encapsulates the respective data layer (data-tier classes). These are the classes that you should access from your client code. The middle-tier class makes it simple for any client (e.g. ASP.NET web forms, win forms, Silverlight, WCF, web services, etc.) to access the database without having to know how the operation (or business process) was accomplished. These middle-tier objects are not only for use by the generated web site, you can also use them as an API to other projects that accesses the same database, simply put these generated objects into a Class Library project and then reference the project from your client program.

Note: It is best practice not to access the data layer code directly from your client code.

Below are the middle-tier class types that are generated by the AspxCodeGen engine that is integrated with AspxFormsGen 4.5.

1. **BusinessObject Class:** Your client code should always access this class directly.
 - **Note: The only code you call from your application**
 - **Used as the gateway middle layer object the client calls**
 - Most CRUD calls can be made in one (1) line of code
 - Inherits from the respective *BusinessObjectBase* class
 - You can add additional code here (it will not be rewritten by the generator)
 - One Class is generated per table
 - Located in the *BusinessObject* folder

2. **BusinessObjectBase Class:** Contains all the properties and methods that encapsulate the data layer can be found here.
 - Used as the base class to the Business Object class
 - **Do not add or edit code here**
 - This class is overwritten every time you generate code
 - The methods encapsulates calls to the data layer
 - Contains table fields as properties
 - One Class is generated per table
 - Located in the *BusinessObjectBase* folder

Methods

- a. **SelectAll:** Selects all records from a specific table or view. **Note:** The only method generated when *All Views* or *Selected Views Only* is selected under *Code Settings*.
- b. **SelectByPrimaryKey:** Selects a record by primary key.

- c. **SelectDropDownListData**: Selects 2 fields from the specific table for use with a DropDownList control source (or combo box, etc).
- d. **SelectCollectionBy Foreign Key**: Selects all records by foreign key.
- e. **Insert**: Inserts a record in the table.
- f. **Update**: Updates an existing record in the table by primary key.
- g. **Delete**: Deletes a record from a table by primary key.
- h. **Comparison Methods**: Methods used for sorting.
- i. **GetRecordCount**: Gets the total record count by table **(New)**.
- j. **GetRecordCountBy Foreign Key**: Gets the record count by the related foreign key **(New)**.
- k. **GetRecordCountByDynamicWhere**: Gets the record count based on search parameters. Used in search **(New)**.
- l. **SelectAllWhereDynamic**: Selects records based on the search parameters. Used in search queries **(New)**.
- m. **SelectSkipTake**: Selects top number of records starting from a parameter's index value. Data is also sorted based on a sort expression parameter **(New)**.
- n. **SelectSkipTakeBy Foreign Key**: Selects top number of records by a Foreign Key, starting from a parameter's index value. Data is also sorted based on a sort expression parameter. **(New)**.
- o. **SelectTotals**: Selects an aggregate of fields with totals. Decimal fields are Summed up and returned as aggregates.

Properties

Each field from a table or view is generated as a property in each *BusinessObjectBase* class. Also, each related table will be a property, e.g. An order (*Order* table) has related customers (*Customer* table), so in the *OrderObjectBase* class a property called *Customers* is generated. The *Customers* property will return all the customers related to this order. The related properties uses lazy initialization.

3. **BusinessObjectCollection Class**: Rather than using the generic List object as a type, use this instead because it's strongly-typed.
 - Used as the Collection of the Business Object Class
 - Do not add or edit code here
 - One Class is generated per table
 - Located in the *BusinessObjectCollection* folder

Data-Tier Classes

The data-tier classes encapsulate calls to the database. These classes are called or accessed by the middle layer code. It encapsulates calls to a stored procedure or dynamic SQL.

1. *DataLayer* Class

- Used as the gateway data layer object the middle tier objects call
- Inherits from the respective *DataLayerBase* class
- You can add additional code here (it will not be rewritten by the generator)
- One Class is generated per table
- Located in the *DataLayer* folder

2. *DataLayerBase* Class

- Used as the base class to the Data Layer class
- **Do not add or edit code here**
- The methods encapsulates calls to Stored Procedures or Dynamic SQL¹
- One Class is generated per table
- Located in the *DataLayerBase* folder

Methods

This class contains identical method names as the *BusinessObjectBase* class. The only difference is that the methods here encapsulate calls to Stored Procedures or Dynamic SQL instead.¹

Stored Procedures or Dynamic SQL Classes¹

The AspXCodeGen engine (integrated in AspXFormsGen 4.5) generates stored procedures directly to your database or dynamic SQL classes in the *SQL* folder, under the *App_Code* folder of the generated web site. The difference with Stored Procedures and Dynamic SQL is that, SQL script for stored procedures are in the database, while embedded as string in methods for dynamic SQL.

1. Stored Procedures

- Created in the database and used for CRUD operations
- Do not rewrite or edit generated stored procedure, instead, add a new one
- Generated Stored Procedures may include; select all, select by primary key, insert, update, delete, and more operations
- Generated only when the Stored Procedure option is selected
- At least 5 Stored Procedures are generated per table (for most tables)
- Located directly in the database

2. Dynamic SQL Class

- Contains T-SQL CRUD operations in the code
- Do not rewrite or edit generated Dynamic SQL, instead, new dynamic SQL should be added in the *DataLayer* class
- Generated Dynamic SQL may include; select all, select by primary key, insert, update, delete, and more operations
- Generated only when the Dynamic SQL option is selected
- One Class is generated per table
- Located in the *SQL* folder

Stored Procedures Or Methods Generated by AspXFormsGen 4.5

- a. **SelectAll:** Selects all records from a specific table or view. **Note:** The only method generated when *All Views* or *Selected Views Only* is selected under *Code Settings*.
- b. **SelectByPrimaryKey:** Selects a record by primary key.
- c. **SelectDropDownListData:** Selects 2 fields from the specific table for use with a DropDownList control source (or combo box, etc).
- d. **SelectCollectionBy Foreign Key:** Selects all records by foreign key.
- e. **Insert:** Inserts a record in the table.
- f. **Update:** Updates an existing record in the table by primary key.
- g. **Delete:** Deletes a record from a table by primary key.
- h. **GetRecordCount:** Gets the total record count by table **(New)**.
- i. **GetRecordCountBy Foreign Key:** Gets the record count by the related foreign key **(New)**.
- j. **GetRecordCountByDynamicWhere:** Gets the record count based on search parameters. Used in search **(New)**.
- k. **SelectAllWhereDynamic:** Selects records based on the search parameters. Used in search queries **(New)**.
- l. **SelectSkipTake:** Selects top number of records starting from a parameter's index value. Data is also sorted based on a sort expression parameter **(New)**.
- m. **SelectSkipTakeBy Foreign Key:** Selects top number of records by a Foreign Key, starting from a parameter's index value. Data is also sorted based on a sort expression parameter. **(New)**.
- n. **SelectTotals:** Selects an aggregate of fields with totals. Decimal fields are Summed up and returned as aggregates.

Example Classes

- **Generated solely to show how to use the Generated Code**
- Example code can be copied and pasted directly to your client code (ASP.Net web forms, Win Forms, Web Services, etc.)
- You can delete the whole directory if you don't need it
- One Class is generated per table
- Located in the *Example* folder

Helper Classes ¹

Two helper classes are generated: Dbase.cs (or Dbase.vb) and Functions.cs (or Functions.vb):

1. **Dbase class:** Contains static/shared methods/functions that connect to the database. Also contains the connection string to the database.
2. **Functions class:** Contains static/shared functions/methods used in GridViews.

Miscellaneous Files

AspxFormsGen 4.5 also creates files that a standard ASP.NET 4.5 web site needs. And because we're using a few JQuery plug-ins, the script for these are also copied onto the generated website.

1. **App_Themes Folder:** Contains the theme the generated web site is using.
2. **Doc Folder:** HTML5 BoilerPlate documents. Explains various objects used by HTML5 BoilerPlate. **(New)**
3. **Images Folder:** Approximately 11 ¹ images are copied onto an images folder.
4. **Scripts Folder:** ¹ Scripts used by JQuery, JQuery UI plugin, JQuery validation plugin and web forms are copied onto this folder.
5. **Styles Folder:** Styles used by web forms and some JQuery plugins¹ are located here.
6. **Site.master:** An empty master page is generated and used by all the web forms.
7. **Web.config:** ASP.NET Configuration file. A setting to use Theme1 for all pages can be found here. References to the gridview's sort arrow images are also here.
8. **Default.htm:** List of all the generated web forms.
9. **GeneratedCode.htm:** List of all the generated middle-tier, data-tier, stored procedures¹ or dynamic SQL¹, example classes, and helper classes.
10. **BundleConfig Class File (.cs or .vb):** Registers JavaScript bundles. Located in the *App_Code* folder. **(New)**
11. **Apple-Touch-Icon Image Files:** HTML5 BoilerPlate icons. Used by the web site when opened in the respective device as Favicon. For example the 144 X 144 icon is used as a Favicon when the web site is opened in an Apple Ipad with retina display. **(New)**
12. **CrossDomain.xml:** A cross domain policy file which grants web clients permission to handle data across multiple domains. Came with HTML5 BoilerPlate. **(New)**
13. **Global.asax file:** ASP.NET application file.
14. **Humans.txt file:** Contains information about the different people who have contributed in building the website. Came with HTML5 BoilerPlate. **(New)**

15. **Packages.config file:** Tracks installed NUGET packages.

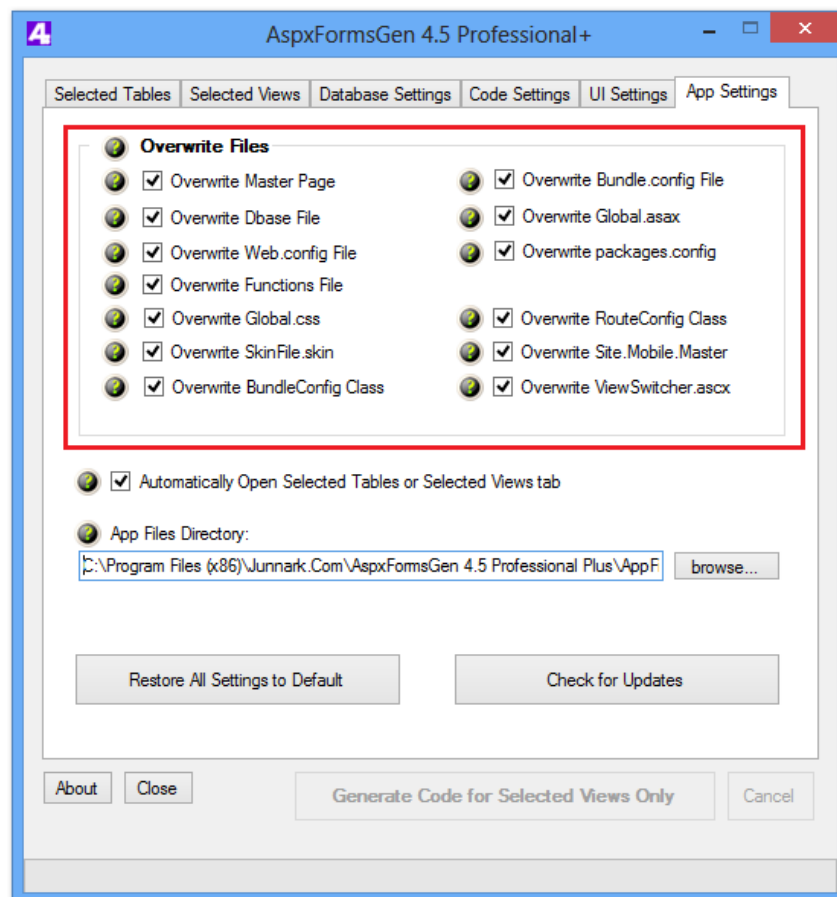
16. **Robots.txt file:** Gives web robots instructions such as files not to read. **(New)**

Adding Your Own Code

Yes you can add your own code to the objects generated by AspxFormsGen 4.5. **But we warned: Almost all generated files are overwritten by AspxFormsGen 4.5 without warning**, of course with some exceptions. Please follow this tutorial carefully. **Codes shown below are just examples.** Added or modified code is highlighted.

ASP.NET Files

AspxFormsGen 4.5 will not overwrite these files if they are **unchecked**¹ in the *App Settings* tab, under the *Overwrite Files*¹ group. Please see the App Settings discussion above for more information on these files.



Here are a few examples of how you can add your own code to these files.

1. Master Page:

Add a logo image to the Master Pager file.

```
<%@ Master Language="C#" AutoEventWireup="true" CodeFile="Site.master.cs" Inherits="Northwind.Site" %>

<!DOCTYPE html>
<!--[if lt IE 7]>    <html class="no-js lt-ie9 lt-ie8 lt-ie7"> <![endif]-->
<!--[if IE 7]>      <html class="no-js lt-ie9 lt-ie8"> <![endif]-->
<!--[if IE 8]>      <html class="no-js lt-ie9"> <![endif]-->
<!--[if gt IE 8]><!--> <html class="no-js"> <!--<![endif]-->
<head id="Head1" runat="server">
  <meta charset="utf-8" />
  <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edge,chrome=1">
  <title><%: Page.Title %> - My ASP.NET Application</title>
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
  <link href="~/favicon.ico" rel="shortcut icon" type="image/x-icon" />
  <webopt:BundleReference ID="BundleReference1" runat="server" Path="~/Styles" />
  <asp:PlaceHolder ID="PlaceHolder1" runat="server">
    <%: Styles.Render("~/Styles/themes/base/css") %>
    <script src="//ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jquery/1.8.3/jquery.min.js"></script>
    <script src="//ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jqueryui/1.9.2/jquery-ui.min.js"></script>
    <script>
      window.jQuery ||
      document.write('<script src="<%: Scripts.Url("~/Scripts/jquery-
        1.8.3.js") %>"></script>');
      document.write('<script src="<%: Scripts.Url("~/Scripts/jquery-ui-
        1.9.2.js") %>"></script>');
    </script>
    <%: Scripts.Render("~/bundles/modernizr") %>
  </asp:PlaceHolder>
  <asp:ContentPlaceHolder runat="server" ID="HeadContent" />
</head>
<body>
  <!--[if lt IE 7]>
    <p class="chromeframe">You are using an <strong>outdated</strong> browser. Please
    <a href="http://browsehappy.com/">upgrade your browser</a> or <a
    href="http://www.google.com/chromeframe/?redirect=true">activate Google
    Chrome Frame</a> to improve your experience.</p>
  <![endif]-->

  <!-- Add your site or application content here -->
  <form id="MasterPageForm1" runat="server">
    <header style="text-align: left; padding-bottom: 20px;">
      <a class="visuallyhidden" href="#main">Skip Navigation</a>
      <!-- show to screen readers only -->
      <h2>NorthwindWeb45_CS</h2>
      <asp:Image ID="ImgLogo" ImageUrl="~/Images/Logo.png"
        AlternateText="My Logo" runat="server" />
    </header>
```

2. Dbase File ¹

Modify the connection string. Move the connection string to the *Web.config* file.

In C#

```
using System;
using System.Data;
using System.Data.SqlClient;
using System.Configuration;

namespace Northwind.DataLayer
{
  public sealed class Dbase
  {
    private Dbase()
    {
    }
  }
}
```

```

public static SqlConnection GetConnection()
{
    string connectionString = ConfigurationManager.AppSettings["MyConnectionString"];
    SqlConnection connection = new SqlConnection(connectionString);
    connection.Open();
    return connection;
}

```

In VB.NET

```

Imports System
Imports System.Data
Imports System.Data.SqlClient

Namespace Northwind.DataLayer
    Public NotInheritable Class Dbase
        Private Sub New()
            End Sub

        Public Shared Function GetConnection() As SqlConnection
            Dim connectionString As String = ConfigurationManager.AppSettings("MyConnectionString")
            Dim connection As New SqlConnection(connectionString)
            connection.Open()
            Return connection
        End Function
    End Class

```

3. Web.config File

Add an app setting.

```

<?xml version="1.0"?>
<configuration>
  <appSettings>
    <add key="ArrowUp" value="Images/ArrowUp.png" />
    <add key="ArrowDown" value="Images/ArrowDown.png" />
    <add key="MyConnectionString"
        value="Data Source=localhost;Initial Catalog=Northwind;User ID=YOURUSERNAME;Password=YOURPASSWORD" />
  </appSettings>

```

4. Functions File¹

Add a function or method.

In C#

```

using System;
using System.Web.UI.WebControls;
using System.Configuration;
using System.Text.RegularExpressions;
using System.Web.UI;
using System.IO;

namespace Northwind
{
    public sealed class Functions
    {
        private Functions()
        {
        }

        public static int Add(int num1, int num2)
        {
            return num1 + num2;
        }
    }
}

```

}

In VB.NET

```
Imports System
Imports System.Web.UI.WebControls
Imports System.Configuration
Imports System.Text.RegularExpressions
Imports System.Web.UI
Imports System.IO

Namespace Northwind
    Public NotInheritable Class Functions
        Private Sub New()
            End Sub

        Public Shared Function Add(num1 As Integer, num2 As Integer) As Integer
            Return num1 + num2
        End Function
    End Class
End Namespace
```

5. Global.css

Add a style.

```
/* =====
Base styles: opinionated defaults
===== */

html,
button,
input,
select,
textarea {
    color: #000000;
}

body {
    font-family: 'sans-serif', 'lucida grande', 'helvetica', 'verdana', 'arial';
    font-size: 12px;
    color: #000000;
    line-height: 1.4;
    max-width: 80%;
    margin: 0 auto;
    text-align: center;
}

.myClass {
    font-weight: bold;
    font-size: larger;
}
```

6. SkinFile.skin

Add a skin for a button.

```
<asp:Textbox runat="Server" Font-Size="12px" Width="250px" />
<asp:Textbox SkinID="TextBoxDate" runat="Server" Font-Size="12px" Width="234px" />
<asp:DropDownList runat="Server" Font-Size="12px" Width="256px" />
<asp:Label runat="Server" Font-Size="12px" />
<asp:Button runat="server" Width="150px" />
<asp:Button SkinID="MyButton" runat="server" Width="100px" />
```


ASP.NET Web Forms

Yes you can add web forms to the generated web site **just make sure that it does not have the same name as the ones that are going to be generated by AspXFormsGen 4.5.**

For this tutorial, we will add a new ASP.NET 4.5 web form to the generated web site. This web form will be bound to the *Northwind* database just like the rest of the generated web forms. In this example, we will add middle-tier classes, data-tier classes, stored procedures and dynamic SQL. Each of the respective objects will be discussed in their respective parts.

1. Add a new web form with a master page to the generated web site by right-clicking on the web site and then choose *Add*, and then choose *Web Form (with master)*. See Figure 47a. Then on the *Specify Name for Item* dialog enter "*Sample.aspx*" as seen in Figure 47b. Choose the master page as shown in Figure 48. You can also choose either Visual C# or Visual Basic.

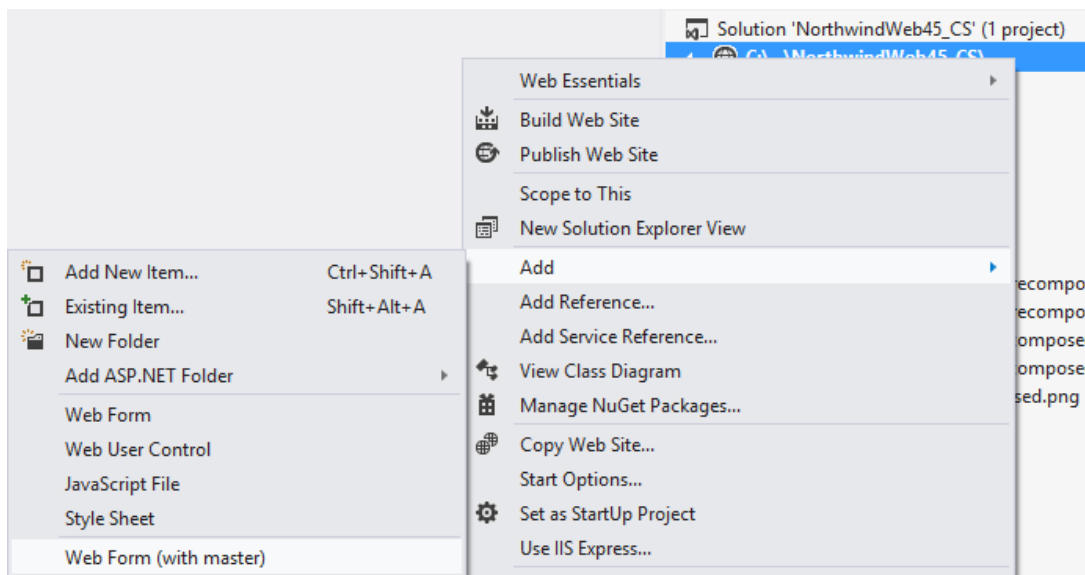


Figure 47a Add, Web Form (with master)

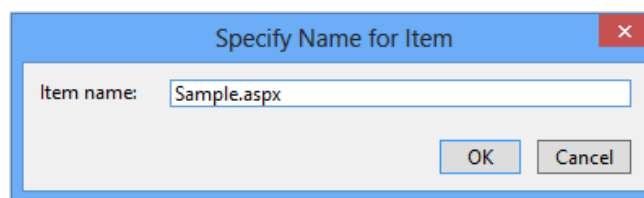


Figure 47b Add, Specify Name for Item Dialog

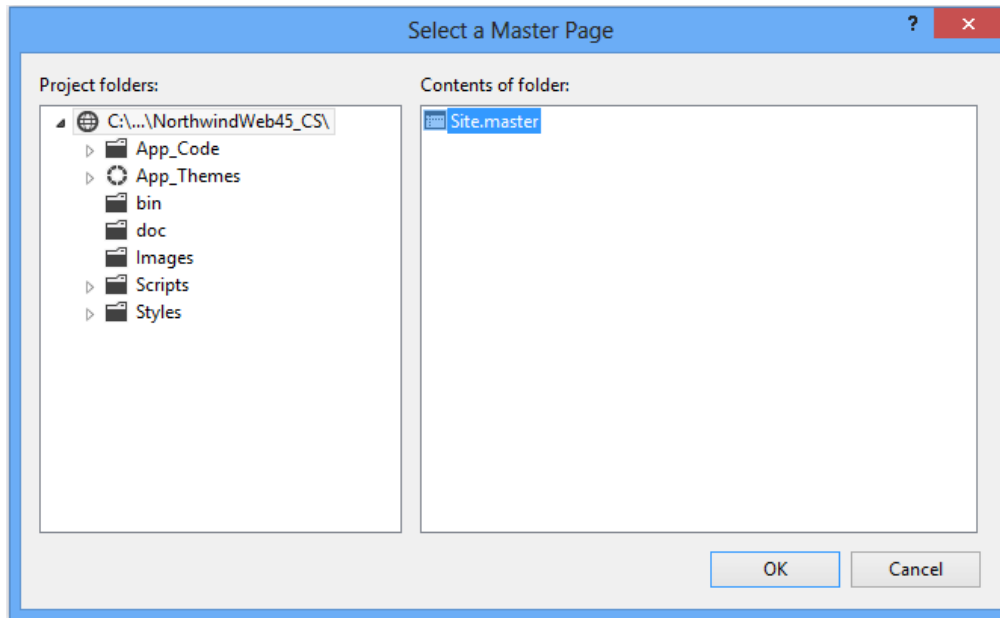


Figure 48 Select a Master Page Dialog

2. A new web form called “*Sample.aspx*” is now added.
3. Let’s stop for a moment and create a new stored procedure. Please see the Stored Procedures tutorial below.
4. Now that we’re done creating our stored procedure, we will now call this stored procedure through our data layer. Please see the Data Tier Class tutorial below.
5. Moving on, we will now encapsulate the data layer method that we created in the data tier. Please see the Middle Tier Class tutorial below.
6. Now that the stored procedure, data tier, and middle tier codes are done, we can now go back to the *Sample.aspx* web form.
7. Copy and paste the following code in the *Sample.aspx* file. Note: If you’re using VB.NET change the language to “VB”.

```
<%@ Page Title="" Language="C#" MasterPageFile="~/Site.master"
    AutoEventWireup="true" CodeFile="Sample.aspx.cs" Inherits="Northwind.Sample" %>

<asp:Content ID="Content1" ContentPlaceHolderID="HeadContent" Runat="Server">
    <%: Styles.Render("~/Styles/jquery.tooltip.css") %>
    <%: Scripts.Render("~/Scripts/jquery.tooltip.min.js") %>
    <%: Scripts.Render("~/Scripts/gridview-readonly-script.js") %>
    <script type="text/javascript">
        $(function () {
            InitializeToolTip();
        });
    </script>
</asp:Content>

<asp:Content ID="Content2" ContentPlaceHolderID="MainContent" Runat="Server">
    <asp:UpdatePanel ID="UpdatePanel1" runat="server">
        <ContentTemplate>
            <asp:GridView ID="GridView1" runat="server" DataKeyNames="CustomerID"
                ItemType="Northwind.BusinessObject.Customers" SelectMethod="GetGridData"
                onrowdatabound="GridView1_RowDataBound" onrowcreated="GridView1_RowCreated" SkinID="GridViewProfessional">
                <Columns>
                    <asp:BoundField DataField="CustomerID" HeaderText="Customer ID" ReadOnly="true"
                        SortExpression="CustomerID" ItemStyle-HorizontalAlign="Left" />
                    <asp:BoundField DataField="CompanyName" HeaderText="Company Name" ReadOnly="true"

```

```

        SortExpression="CompanyName" />
<asp:BoundField DataField="ContactName" HeaderText="Contact Name" ReadOnly="true"
    SortExpression="ContactName" />
<asp:BoundField DataField="Phone" HeaderText="Phone" ReadOnly="true" SortExpression="Phone" />
<asp:BoundField DataField="CityAndCountry" HeaderText=" City And Country" ReadOnly="true"
    SortExpression=" CityAndCountry " />
</Columns>
<EmptyDataTemplate>No records found!</EmptyDataTemplate>
</asp:GridView>
</ContentTemplate>
</asp:UpdatePanel>

<asp:UpdateProgress ID="UpdateProgress1" AssociatedUpdatePanelID="UpdatePanel1" runat="server" DisplayAfter="0">
    <ProgressTemplate>
        <br />
         Processing your request. Please wait....
    </ProgressTemplate>
</asp:UpdateProgress>

</asp:Content>

```

8. Things to note here are highlighted. This code looks just like the one in the *GridViewReadOnly* folder for the Customers web form, with minor changes.
9. Now copy and paste the code behind for your respective language.

In C#, Sample.aspx.cs

```

using System;
using Northwind.BusinessObject;

namespace Northwind
{
    public partial class Sample : System.Web.UI.Page
    {
        protected void GridView1_RowDataBound(object sender, System.Web.UI.WebControls.GridViewRowEventArgs e)
        {
            Functions.GridViewRowDataBound(sender, e, 1);
        }

        protected void GridView1_RowCreated(object sender, System.Web.UI.WebControls.GridViewRowEventArgs e)
        {
            Functions.GridViewRowCreated(sender, e, 0);
        }

        public CustomersCollection GetGridData(int maximumRows, int startRowIndex, out int totalRowCount, string sortByExpression)
        {
            return Customers.SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(maximumRows, startRowIndex, out totalRowCount, sortByExpression);
        }
    }
}

```

In VB.NET, Sample.aspx.vb

```

Imports System
Imports Northwind.BusinessObject
Imports System.Runtime.InteropServices

Namespace Northwind
    Partial Public Class Sample
        Inherits System.Web.UI.Page

        Protected Sub GridView1_RowDataBound(sender As Object, e As System.Web.UI.WebControls.GridViewRowEventArgs)
            Functions.GridViewRowDataBound(sender, e, 1)
        End Sub

        Protected Sub GridView1_RowCreated(sender As Object, e As System.Web.UI.WebControls.GridViewRowEventArgs)
            Functions.GridViewRowCreated(sender, e, 0)
        End Sub

        Public Function GetGridData(maximumRows As Integer, startRowIndex As Integer,
            <Out()> ByRef totalRowCount As Integer, sortByExpression As String) As CustomersCollection
            Return Customers.SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(maximumRows, startRowIndex, totalRowCount, sortByExpression)
        End Function
    End Class
End Namespace

```

10. We can now test the new web page by running the web site. But first make sure to set *Sample.aspx* as Start Page. Click *F5* in *Visual Studio 2012*. See Figure 49.

Customer ID	Company Name	Contact Name	Phone	City And Country ↑
DRACD	Drachenblut Delikatessen	Sven Ottlieb	0241-039123	Aachen,Germany
RATTC	Rattlesnake Canyon Grocery	Paula Wilson	(505) 555-5939	Albuquerque,USA
OLDWO	Old World Delicatessen	Rene Phillips	(907) 555-7584	Anchorage,USA
VAFFE	Vaffeljernet	Palle Ibsen	86 21 32 43	Århus,Denmark
GALED	Galería del gastrónomo	Eduardo Saavedra	(93) 203 4560	Barcelona,Spain
LILAS	LILA-Supermercado	Carlos González	(9) 331-6954	Barquisimeto,Venezuela
MAGAA	Magazzini Alimentari Riuniti	Giovanni Rovelli	035-640230	Bergamo,Italy
ALFKI	Alfreds Futterkiste	Maria Anders	030-0074321	Berlin,Germany
CHOPS	Chop-suey Chinese	Yang Wang	0452-076545	Bern,Switzerland
SAVEA	Save-a-lot Markets	Jose Pavarotti	(208) 555-8097	Boise,USA
FOLKO	Folk och få HB	Maria Larsson	0695-34 67 21	Bräcke,Sweden
KOENE	Königlich Essen	Philip Cramer	0555-09876	Brandenburg,Germany
MAISD	Maison Dewey	Catherine Dewey	(02) 201 24 67	Bruxelles,Belgium
OCEAN	Océano Atlántico Ltda.	Yvonne Moncada	(1) 135-5333	Buenos Aires,Argentina
RANCH	Rancho grande	Sergio Gutiérrez	(1) 123-5555	Buenos Aires,Argentina
CACTU	Cactus Comidas para llevar	Patricio Simpson	(1) 135-5555	Buenos Aires,Argentina

1 2 3 4 5 6

Figure 49 Sample.aspx

11. Notice the new *City And Country* field. Play around to see how the sample web page behaves.
12. Close the web page. We showed you how to use a stored procedure, what if you'd like to code your SQL into your classes (dynamic SQL)? We'll show you this as well. Please see the Dynamic SQL tutorial.
13. You can run the Sample.aspx one more time and notice that it behaves exactly as if you're using a stored procedure.
14. End of tutorial.

Middle Tier Class

The middle object encapsulates the data layer code, making sure that the calling client code does not need to bother with the specifics of how the information was obtained.

Note: Always add code in the **BusinessObject** class. **Do not add code in the BusinessObjectBase class and the BusinessObjectCollection class, these classes will be overwritten every time you generate code using AspXFormsGen 4.5.**

1. Add a method in the *Customers* class that encapsulates the *SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly* method/function we added in the *CustomersDataLayer* class (Data Tier Class tutorial). The *Customers* class is located under the *BusinessObject* folder. See method below.

In C#

```
using System;
using Northwind.BusinessObject.Base;
using Northwind.DataLayer;

namespace Northwind.BusinessObject
{
    /// <summary>
    /// This file will not be overwritten. You can put
    /// additional Customers Business Layer code in this class.
    /// </summary>
    public class Customers : CustomersBase
    {
        // add this property
        public string CityAndCountry { get; set; }

        // constructor
        public Customers()
        {
        }

        // copy from customer base SelectSkipAndTake method
        public static CustomersCollection SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(int maximumRows, int startRowIndex,
            out int totalRowCount, string sortByExpression)
        {
            totalRowCount = GetRecordCount();
            int end = startRowIndex + maximumRows;

            if (String.IsNullOrEmpty(sortByExpression))
                sortByExpression = "CustomerID";

            return CustomersDataLayer.SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(sortByExpression, startRowIndex, end);
        }
    }
}
```

In VB.NET

```
Imports System
Imports Northwind.BusinessObject.Base
Imports System.Runtime.InteropServices
Imports Northwind.DataLayer

Namespace Northwind.BusinessObject

    ''' <summary>
    ''' This file will not be overwritten. You can put
    ''' additional Customers Business Layer code in this class.
    ''' </summary>
    Public Class Customers
        Inherits CustomersBase

        Private _cityAndCountry As String

        Public Property CityAndCountry() As String
            Get
                Return _cityAndCountry
            End Get
            Set(ByVal value As String)
                _cityAndCountry = value
            End Set
        End Property

        Public Shared Function SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(maximumRows As Integer, startRowIndex As Integer,
            <Out(>) ByRef totalRowCount As Integer, sortByExpression As String) As CustomersCollection
```

```

        totalRowCount = GetRecordCount()
        Dim ending As Integer = startRowIndex + maximumRows

        If [String].IsNullOrEmpty(sortByExpression) Then
            sortByExpression = "CustomerID"
        End If

        Return CustomersDataLayer.SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(sortByExpression, startRowIndex, ending)
    End Function

    ' constructor
    Public Sub New()
    End Sub
End Class
End Namespace

```

2. Notice that the *SelectUSAOnly* method/function looks just like the *SelectAll* method/function in the *CustomersBase* class.
3. Notice also that we created a new method/function *SortByExpression2* which is very similar to the *SortByExpression* method/function in the *CustomersBase* class, but with a fewer *sortExpression* choices. We don't really need to add the *SortByExpression2* method/function if we didn't add a new field, *CityAndCountry*. That is the same reason we added the *Comparison* for *ByCityAndCountry*, so that we can sort by the new field *CityAndCountry*.
4. End of middle tier tutorial.

Data Tier Class

The data layer encapsulates SQL code, making sure that the calling middle layer code does not need to bother with the specifics of connecting to the database, or any data specific connections.

Note: Always add code in the **DataLayer** class. **Do not add code in the DataLayerBase class, this class will be overwritten every time you generate code using AspxFormsGen 4.5.**

1. Add a method in the *CustomersDataLayer* class that encapsulates the stored procedure we created in the Stored Procedure tutorial. The *CustomersDataLayer* class is located under the *DataLayer* folder. See method below and read comments in the code.

In C#

```

using System;
using Northwind.DataLayer.Base;
using Northwind.BusinessObject;
using System.Data.SqlClient;
using System.Data;

namespace Northwind.DataLayer
{
    /// <summary>
    /// This file will not be overwritten. You can put
    /// additional Customers DataLayer code in this class
    /// </summary>
    public class CustomersDataLayer : CustomersDataLayerBase

```

```

{
    // constructor
    public CustomersDataLayer()
    {
    }

    // copy SelectSkipAndTake code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
    public static CustomersCollection SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(string sortByExpression, int start, int end)
    {
        return SelectSharedUSAOnly("[dbo].[spprefix_Customers_SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly]", null, null, true, null,
            sortByExpression, start, end);
    }

    // copy SelectShared code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
    public static CustomersCollection SelectSharedUSAOnly(string storedProcName, string param, object paramValue,
        bool isUseStoredProc = true, string dynamicSQL = null, string sortByExpression = null,
        int? start = null, int? end = null)
    {
        SqlConnection connection = Dbase.GetConnection();
        SqlCommand command;

        if (isUseStoredProc)
            command = Dbase.GetCommand(storedProcName, connection);
        else
            command = new SqlCommand(dynamicSQL, connection);

        // select, skip, take, sort parameters
        if (!String.IsNullOrEmpty(sortByExpression) && start != null && end != null)
        {
            command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@start", start.Value);
            command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@end", end.Value);
            command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@sortByExpression", sortByExpression);
        }

        DataSet ds = Dbase.GetDbaseDataSet(command);
        CustomersCollection objCustomersCol = new CustomersCollection();

        if (ds.Tables[0].Rows.Count > 0)
        {
            foreach (DataRow dr in ds.Tables[0].Rows)
            {
                // remove this line and copy code from CreateCustomersFromDataRowShared and paste here
                // Customers objCustomers = CreateCustomersFromDataRowShared(dr);

                Customers objCustomers = new Customers();

                objCustomers.CustomerID = dr["CustomerID"].ToString();
                objCustomers.CompanyName = dr["CompanyName"].ToString();

                if (dr["ContactName"] != System.DBNull.Value)
                    objCustomers.ContactName = dr["ContactName"].ToString();
                else
                    objCustomers.ContactName = null;

                if (dr["Phone"] != System.DBNull.Value)
                    objCustomers.Phone = dr["Phone"].ToString();
                else
                    objCustomers.Phone = null;

                // add this
                if (dr["CityAndCountry"] != System.DBNull.Value)
                    objCustomers.CityAndCountry = dr["CityAndCountry"].ToString();
                else
                    objCustomers.CityAndCountry = null;

                //return objCustomers;

                objCustomersCol.Add(objCustomers);
            }
        }

        command.Dispose();
        connection.Close();
        connection.Dispose();
        ds.Dispose();

        return objCustomersCol;
    }
}

```

In VB.NET

```

Imports System
Imports Northwind.DataLayer.Base
Imports Northwind.BusinessObject
Imports System.Data.SqlClient
Imports System.Data

Namespace Northwind.DataLayer

    ''' <summary>
    ''' This file will not be overwritten. You can put
    ''' additional Customers DataLayer code in this class
    ''' </summary>
    Public Class CustomersDataLayer
        Inherits CustomersDataLayerBase
        ' constructor
        Public Sub New()
            End Sub

        ' copy SelectSkipAndTake code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
        Public Shared Function SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(sortByExpression As String, start As Integer, ending As Integer)
            As CustomersCollection
            Return SelectSharedUSAOnly("[dbo].[spprefix_Customers_SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly]", Nothing,
                Nothing, True, Nothing, sortByExpression, start, ending)
            End Function

        ' copy SelectShared code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
        Public Shared Function SelectSharedUSAOnly(storedProcName As String, param As String, paramValue As Object,
            Optional ByVal isUseStoredProc As Boolean = True, Optional ByVal dynamicSQL As String = Nothing,
            Optional ByVal sortByExpression As String = Nothing, Optional ByVal start As Integer? = Nothing,
            Optional ByVal ending As Integer? = Nothing) As CustomersCollection

            Dim connection As SqlConnection = Dbase.GetConnection()
            Dim command As SqlCommand

            If isUseStoredProc Then
                command = Dbase.GetCommand(storedProcName, connection)
            Else
                command = New SqlCommand(dynamicSQL, connection)
            End If

            ' select, skip, take, sort parameters
            If Not [String].IsNullOrEmpty(sortByExpression) AndAlso start IsNot Nothing AndAlso ending IsNot Nothing Then
                command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@start", start.Value)
                command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@end", ending.Value)
                command.Parameters.AddWithValue("@sortByExpression", sortByExpression)
            End If

            Dim ds As DataSet = Dbase.GetDbaseDataSet(command)
            Dim objCustomersCol As New CustomersCollection()

            If ds.Tables(0).Rows.Count > 0 Then
                For Each dr As DataRow In ds.Tables(0).Rows
                    ' remove this line and copy code from CreateCustomersFromDataRowShared and paste here
                    ' Dim objCustomers As Customers = CreateCustomersFromDataRowShared(dr)

                    Dim objCustomers As Customers = New Customers()

                    objCustomers.CustomerID = dr("CustomerID").ToString()
                    objCustomers.CompanyName = dr("CompanyName").ToString()

                    If Not DBNull.Value.Equals(dr("ContactName")) Then
                        objCustomers.ContactName = dr("ContactName").ToString()
                    Else
                        objCustomers.ContactName = Nothing
                    End If

                    If Not DBNull.Value.Equals(dr("Phone")) Then
                        objCustomers.Phone = dr("Phone").ToString()
                    Else
                        objCustomers.Phone = Nothing
                    End If

                    If Not DBNull.Value.Equals(dr("CityAndCountry")) Then
                        objCustomers.CityAndCountry = dr("CityAndCountry").ToString()
                    Else
                        objCustomers.CityAndCountry = Nothing
                    End If

                    'Return objCustomers

                    objCustomersCol.Add(objCustomers)
                Next
            End If
        End Function
    End Class
End Namespace

```



```

        command.Dispose()
        connection.Close()
        connection.Dispose()
        ds.Dispose()

        Return objCustomersCol
    End Function
End Class
End Namespace

```

2. Notice that the *SelectSkipTakeUSAOnly* method/function above looks just like the *SelectSkipTake* method/function in the *CustomersDataLayerBase* class, with a few modifications.
3. Also notice the stored procedure name we're using is a modified version stored procedure. See comments in Stored Procedures below.
4. End of data tier tutorial.

Stored Procedures

To add a new stored procedure in your database, make sure that you give it a **unique** name so that AspxFormsGen 4.5 will not overwrite it. In this tutorial, we will add a stored procedure that retrieves customers in the USA. It will also retrieve 6 fields instead of all the fields.

1. Add a new stored procedure from *MS SQL Management Studio*. Open the *Northwind* database node. Then right-click on the *Stored Procedure* node under the *Programmability* node and click *New Stored Procedure*. See Figure 50.

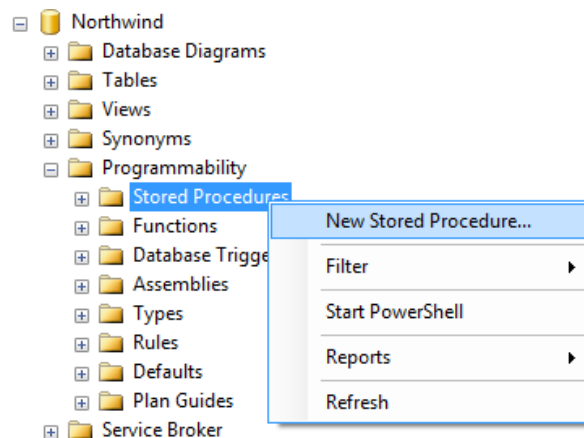


Figure 50 Add New Stored Procedure

2. Copy the script below and click the *Execute* button on *MS SQL Server Management Studio*. Note: This is a modified copy of the *spprefix_Customers_SelectSkipAndTake* Stored Procedure, we removed some fields.

```
CREATE PROCEDURE [dbo].[spprefix_Customers_SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly]
```

```

(
    @start int,
    @end int,
    @sortByExpression varchar(200)
)
AS
BEGIN
    SET NOCOUNT ON;

    SELECT
    [CustomerID],
    [CompanyName],
    [ContactName],
    [City] + ',' + [Country] As CityAndCountry,
    [Phone]
    FROM [dbo].[Customers]
    ORDER BY
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CustomerID' THEN [CustomerID] END,
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CustomerID desc' THEN [CustomerID] END DESC,

    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CompanyName' THEN [CompanyName] END,
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CompanyName desc' THEN [CompanyName] END DESC,

    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'ContactName' THEN [ContactName] END,
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'ContactName desc' THEN [ContactName] END DESC,

    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CityAndCountry' THEN [City] + ',' + [Country] END,
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CityAndCountry desc' THEN [City] + ',' + [Country] END DESC,

    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'Phone' THEN [Phone] END,
    CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'Phone desc' THEN [Phone] END DESC

    OFFSET @start ROWS
    FETCH NEXT @end ROWS ONLY
END

```

3. Notice that the newly added stored procedure is now under the *Stored Procedure* node. See Figure 51.

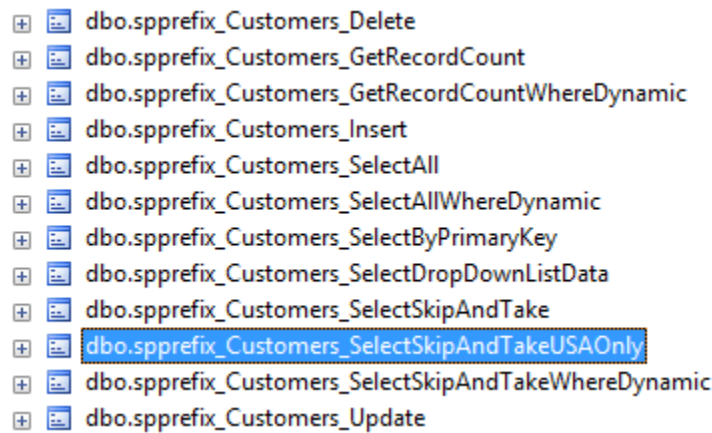


Figure 51 Newly Added Stored Procedure

4. End of stored procedure tutorial.

Dynamic SQL

You can use dynamic SQL (SQL in your code) instead of stored procedures. **Recommendation:** Add your SQL code in the *DataLayer* class for now. When you generate using Dynamic SQL, a folder called SQL under the

App_Code folder is generated. This folder is where all the generated Dynamic SQL can be found. This tutorial will be using the same code as the Data Tier tutorial with a minor modification.

Note: We're just showing the partial *CustomerDataLayer* class in these examples. To see the full class, go to the Data Tier tutorial above.

1. Open the *CustomerDataLayer* class as shown in the Data Tier tutorial. Modify the code as seen below.

In C#

```
using System;
using Northwind.DataLayer.Base;
using Northwind.BusinessObject;
using System.Data.SqlClient;
using System.Data;
using System.Text;

namespace Northwind.DataLayer
{
    /// <summary>
    /// This file will not be overwritten. You can put
    /// additional Customers DataLayer code in this class
    /// </summary>
    public class CustomersDataLayer : CustomersDataLayerBase
    {
        // constructor
        public CustomersDataLayer()
        {
        }

        // copy SelectSkipAndTake code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
        public static CustomersCollection SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly(string sortByExpression, int start, int end)
        {
            string sql = SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly();
            return SelectSharedUSAOnly("[dbo].[spprefix_Customers_SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly]", null, null, false, sql,
                sortByExpression, start, end);
        }

        // copy SelectShared code from CustomerDataLayerBase and paste here
        public static CustomersCollection SelectSharedUSAOnly(string storedProcName, string param,
            object paramValue, bool isUseStoredProc = true, string dynamicSQL = null,
            string sortByExpression = null, int? start = null, int? end = null)
        {
            .
            .
            .
        }

        // copied from the SelectSkipAndTake method on the CustomSql class
        // located in the SQL directory under App_Code, this code is only generated when you
        // choose Dynamic SQL instead of stored procedure using AspXFormsGen 4.5
        public static string SelectSkipAndTakeUSAOnly()
        {
            //string selectStatement = GetSelectStatement();
            StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();

            sb.Append("SELECT ");
            sb.Append("[CustomerID], ");
            sb.Append("[CompanyName], ");
            sb.Append("[ContactName], ");
            sb.Append("[City] + ', ' + [Country] As CityAndCountry, ");
            sb.Append("[Phone] ");
            sb.Append("FROM [dbo].[Customers] ");
            sb.Append("ORDER BY ");
            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CustomerID' THEN [CustomerID] END, ");
            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CustomerID desc' THEN [CustomerID] END DESC, ");

            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CompanyName' THEN [CompanyName] END, ");
            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CompanyName desc' THEN [CompanyName] END DESC, ");

            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'ContactName' THEN [ContactName] END, ");
            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'ContactName desc' THEN [ContactName] END DESC, ");

            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CityAndCountry' THEN [City] + ', ' + [Country] END, ");
            sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'CityAndCountry desc' THEN [City] + ', ' + [Country] END DESC, ");
        }
    }
}
```

```

sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'Phone' THEN [Phone] END, ");
sb.Append("CASE WHEN @sortByExpression = 'Phone desc' THEN [Phone] END DESC ");

sb.Append("OFFSET @start ROWS ");
sb.Append("FETCH NEXT @end ROWS ONLY ");

return sb.ToString();
}
}
}

```

2. End of dynamic SQL tutorial.

Using the Generated Middle Tier in Your Code

The AspxCodeGen engine generated code can be used beyond the generated web forms for AspxFormsGen 4.5. As a matter of fact, you can use it in just about any .NET client. Your client could be web forms like the examples in this document, or it could also be win forms, a web service, Silverlight app, etc. To use/share the generated middle tier and data tier objects in other projects (see note below), put the code in a *Class Library* project and reference the *Class Library* in the client project.

Note: You can use it in more than one project, any project that will use the same database or objects)

Tutorial on How to Create a Class Library

1. Create a *Class Library Project* in *Visual Studio 2012*. Name is *NortwindAPI*. See Figures 52 and 53.

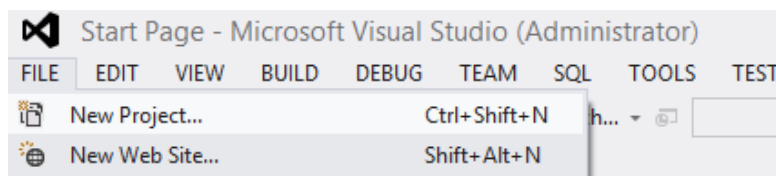


Figure 52 Create a New Project

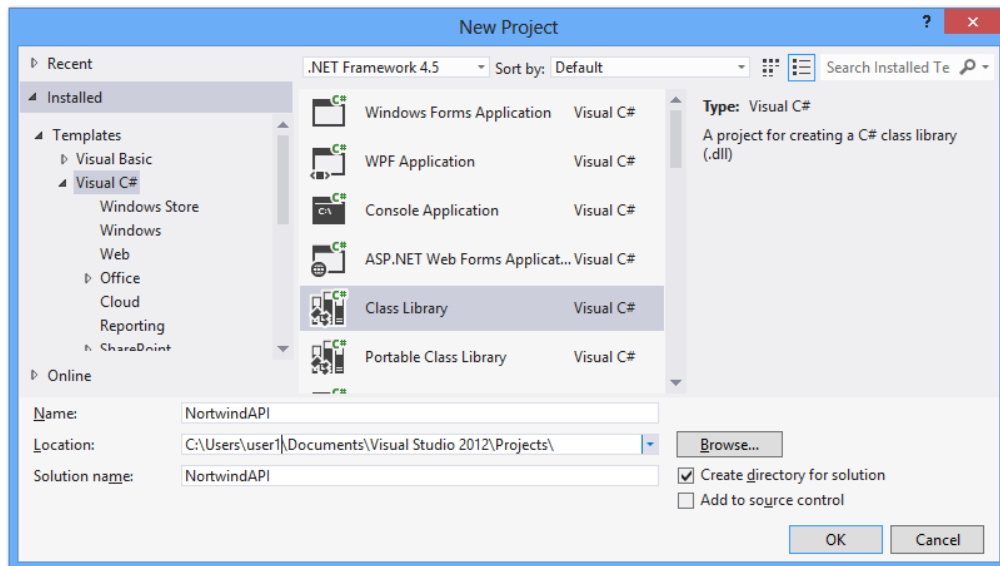


Figure 53 Class Library

- In Figure 53 click the *OK* button. A new *Class Library* project is now created. Delete *Class1*. See Figure 54.

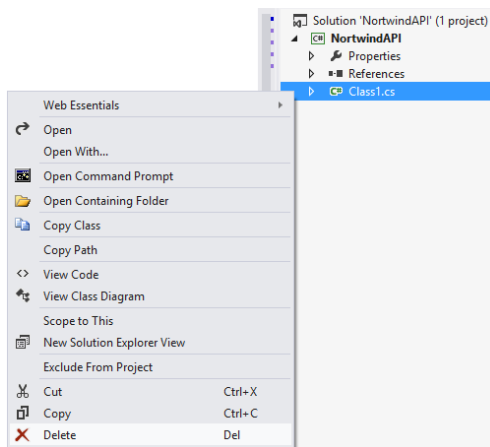


Figure 54 Delete Class1

- Remove all the code from the *NorthwindWeb* web site, under the *App_Code* folder except the *Functions (.cs or .vb)* class file under the *Helper* folder, the *BundleConfig (.cs or .vb)* class file under the *App_Code* folder, and then move the folders to the *NorthwindAPI* class library project. See Figures 55 and 56.

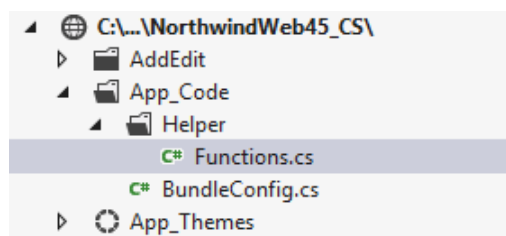


Figure 55 NortwindWeb45_CS Web Site – App_Code Directory

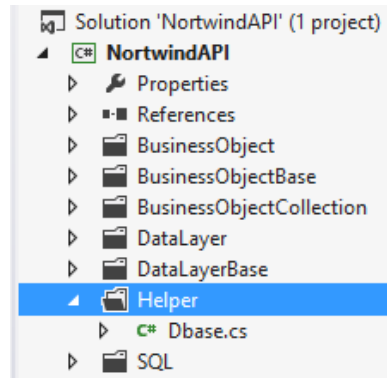


Figure 56 NorthwindAPI Class Library Project

4. From the *NorthwindWeb45_CS* web site, in the *File* menu, add an existing project as seen in Figure 57.

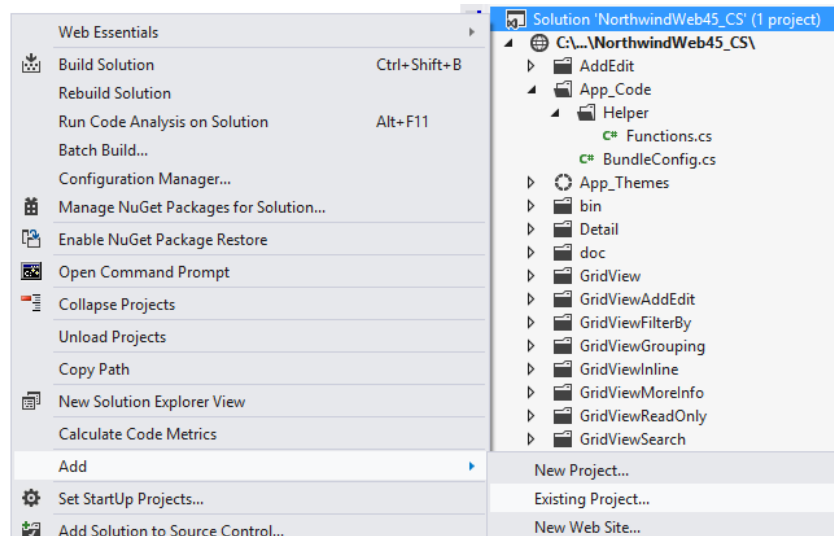


Figure 57 Add Existing Project

5. Drill down to the *NorthwindAPI* project file and then click the *Open* button. See Figure 58.

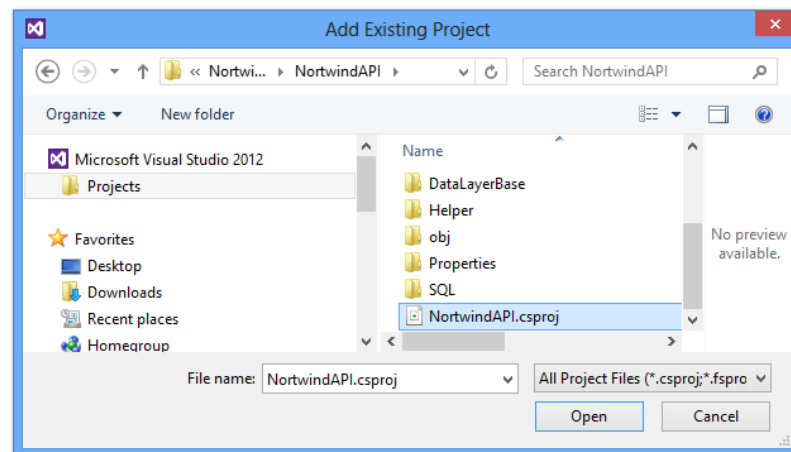


Figure 58 Add Existing Project Dialog

6. You will now notice that there are 2 projects in the Solution Explorer; *NorthwindWeb45_CS* and *NorthwindAPI*. See Figure 59.

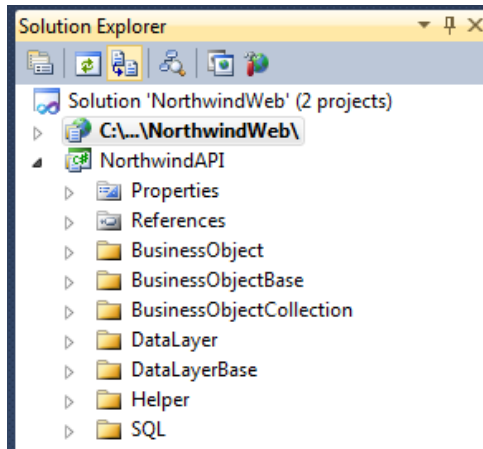


Figure 58 2 Projects – NorthwindWeb45_CS and NorthwindAPI

7. If you used AspxFormsGen 4.5 to generate the code, there are a few things that need to be corrected in the *NorthwindAPI*. First delete the *Example* folder, as you can see in Figure 58 there is no *Example* folder. And then, remove the following in all codes; you can do this by using Visual Studio's Find and Replace dialog. Replace the following with an empty string.
 - a. `using System.Web.Script.Serialization;` (C#)
 - b. `[ScriptIgnore]` (C#)
 - c. `Imports System.Web.Script.Serialization` (VB.NET)
 - d. `<ScriptIgnore()> _` (VB.NET)

8. Rebuild the *NorthwindAPI* project and then from the *NorthwindWeb45_CS* web site, add a reference to the *NorthwindAPI* project. See Figures 59 and 60.

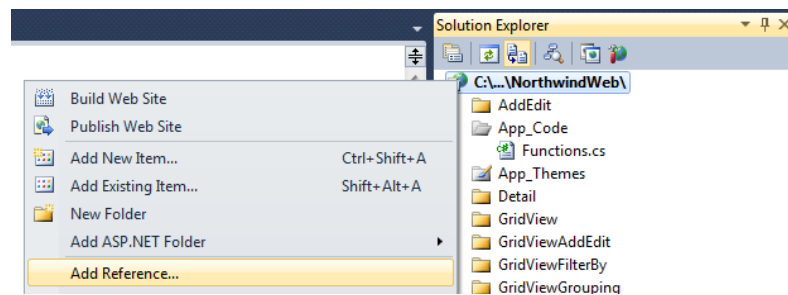


Figure 59 Add a Reference

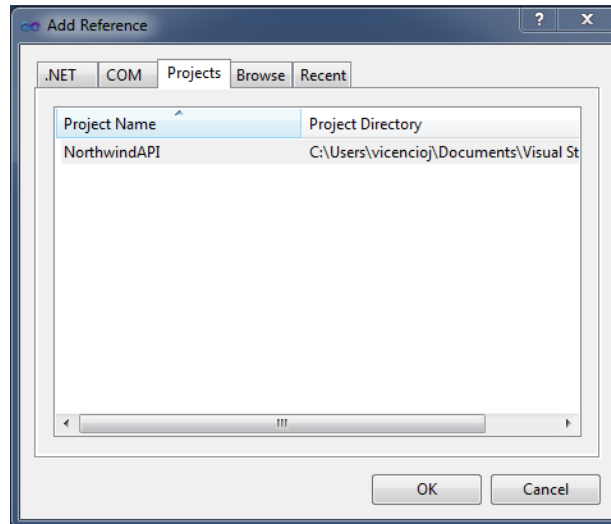


Figure 60 Add a Reference Dialog

9. Click *OK* in Figure 60. Set *NorthwindWeb* as *Startup Project*. See Figure 61.

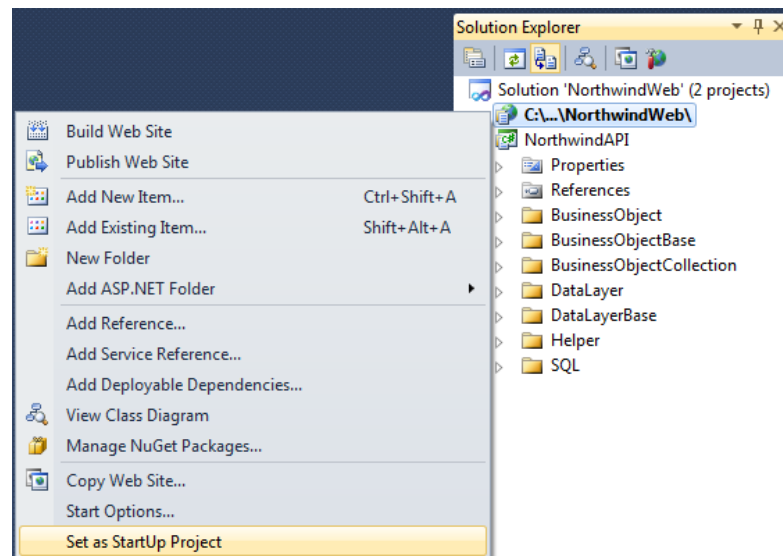


Figure 60 Add a Reference Dialog

10. You can now run the web site by pressing *F5*.

11. End of tutorial

Example Classes

AspXFormsGen 4.5 is so easy to use, we even generated example code for you, and all you have to do for most parts is copy and paste code.

The *Example* classes generated in the *Example* folder are example code that you can use in your client application. Each code example is placed in a method/function. You can copy the code inside each method/function into your client application. See examples below.

Note: You don't need this in your application; it's just there to show you example code. In short, you can delete it, and it won't affect your application.

For example you can copy a portion of the code from the *SelectAll* method/function and paste it in your client application. The example below shows how to sort the customers by company name in descending order.

In C#

```
// select all records
CustomersCollection objCustomersCol = Customers.SelectAll();

// Example 1: you can optionally sort the collection in ascending order by your chosen field
objCustomersCol.Sort(Customers.ByCompanyName);

// Example 2: to sort in descending order, add this line to the Sort code in Example 1
objCustomersCol.Reverse();
```

In VB.NET

```
' select all records
Dim objCustomersCol As CustomersCollection = Customers.SelectAll()

' Example 1: you can optionally sort the collection in ascending order by your chosen field
objCustomersCol.Sort(Customers.ByCompanyName)

' Example 2: to sort in descending order, add this line to the Sort code in Example 1
objCustomersCol.Reverse()
```

Code Walk-Through

Note: This will not walk you through all the generated code; instead, it will walk you through some code to get a general idea of how things flow.

Let's see the events that take place when something is clicked, or loaded, etc. This discussion is mostly on generated web forms that use the JQuery validation, since ASP.NET validation is self-explanatory. There are common behaviors with the generated web forms that have a *GridView* web control.

GridView's Data Source

Model Binding is one of the features in ASP.NET 4.5. The generated *Gridviews* uses model binding to get its data from a source using the *SelectMethod* and delete a record using the *DeleteMethod*. The *ItemType* tells the *GridView* which fully qualified name of the object to use, here it's telling it to use the *Nortwind.BusinessObject.Customers* middle tier object. See code below.

GridView:

```
<asp:GridView ID="GridView1" runat="server" DataKeyNames="CustomerID"
  ItemType="Northwind.BusinessObject.Customers" SelectMethod="GetGridData" DeleteMethod="DeleteGridItem"
  onrowdatabound="GridView1_RowDataBound" onrowcreated="GridView1_RowCreated" SkinID="GridViewProfessional">
```

Using model binding, the *GridView* automatically passes four parameters to the code behind method:

1. **maximumRows**: Number of rows to retrieve.
2. **startRowIndex**: Zero-based. Index of where to start taking rows from. If we were to select all the records for this specific data source, the records will have an index starting from zero to the total count minus 1. The paging mechanism of the *GridView* automatically sends this index to the called *SelectMethod*. For example, if you're on page 1, it will send a 0. If you're on page 2, it will send a 15 if your page count is fixed at 16.
3. **totalRowCount**: The total count of records. If we were to select all the records for this specific data source. This value is sent by reference.
4. **sortExpression**: Sorts the data source using this expression. E.g. "FirstName desc", sorts the data source by FirstName in descending order.

Code Behind in C#

```
public CustomersCollection GetGridData(int maximumRows, int startRowIndex, out int totalRowCount, string sortByExpression)
{
    return Customers.SelectSkipAndTake(maximumRows, startRowIndex, out totalRowCount, sortByExpression);
}

public void DeleteGridItem(string customerID)
{
    try
    {
        Customers.Delete(customerID);
    }
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, this);
    }
}
```

Code Behind in VB.NET

```
Public Function GetGridData(maximumRows As Integer, startRowIndex As Integer, <Out()> ByRef totalRowCount As Integer,
sortByExpression As String) As CustomersCollection
    Return Customers.SelectSkipAndTake(maximumRows, startRowIndex, totalRowCount, sortByExpression)
End Function

Public Sub DeleteGridItem(ByVal customerID As String)
    Try
        Customers.Delete(customerID)
    Catch ex As Exception
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, Me)
    End Try
End Sub
```

SelectMethod

The *SelectMethod* calls the respective method (*GetGridData*) in the code behind, which in turn calls the respective middle-tier object's (*BusinessObject* class) method.

The code above references the *Customers* middle tier class. It will look for a *SelectSkipAndTake* method/function that has the same signature, and a *Delete* method/function that expects a parameter called *CustomerID* in the *Customers* class.

Note: The *Customers* class (*BusinessObject*) does not have any methods at all (by default), but because it inherits from the respective base class *CustomersBase* (*BusinessObjectBase*) which contains all these methods and properties, the objects contained in the base class are now available to the *Customers* Business Object, which is a **derived** class.

Note: Always reference the *BusinessObject* class from any client code, nothing else.

Common Behaviors for GridViews

1. **Sort Direction:** When you click the column heading of a gridview data is sorted and an arrow is added to the specific heading showing the sort direction for that column. Clicking the column once more will toggle the arrow direction and the sort direction to its opposite. The *SelectSkipAndTake* method/function of the respective *BusinessObject* class is called every time you click the heading column.
2. **Paging:** The *SelectSkipAndTake* method/function of the respective *BusinessObject* class is called every time you click the any of the paging numbers in the footer.
3. **Tooltip for Foreign Keys:** The tooltip functionality is not available to all the generated web forms that have a gridview web control. When a database table has foreign keys, these foreign keys are shown as a link in the gridview. When you hover your mouse over the link, the information about that foreign key pops-up. For web forms with tooltip functionality here's what happens:

Note: Code examples for the tooltip discussion are taken from the (*GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Same Page)* type web form) *GridViewAddEdit* folder for *Products_Web.aspx*.

- a. When the web page loads, the *JQuery Tooltip* plugin is initialized by calling the *InitializeToolTip* function from the client.

```
$(function () {
    InitializeAddEditRecord();
    InitializeToolTip();
    InitializeValidation();
});
```

- b. This makes it possible to call the following code and show the tooltip. Code is removed for cleanness.

```
<div class="tag">
  <a href="#" class="gridViewToolTip"><#%: Item.SupplierID.HasValue ? Item.SupplierID : null %></a>
  <div id="tooltip" style="display: none;">
    <table style="text-align: left;">
      <tr>
```

```

        <td style="white-space: nowrap;"><b>Supplier ID:</b>&nbsp;</td>
        <td><%#: Item.SupplierID.HasValue ? Item.Suppliers.Value.SupplierID : 0 %></td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
        <td style="white-space: nowrap;"><b>Company Name:</b>&nbsp;</td>
        <td><%#: Item.SupplierID.HasValue ? Item.Suppliers.Value.CompanyName : null %></td>
    </tr>
    <tr>
        <td style="white-space: nowrap;"><b>Contact Name:</b>&nbsp;</td>
        <td><%#: Item.SupplierID.HasValue ? Item.Suppliers.Value.ContactName : null %></td>
    </tr>

```

- c. Notice the highlighted code above. This is a *Products* page, but it's referencing *Suppliers*, e.g. *Item.Suppliers.Value.SupplierID*. This is because it's referencing a foreign key, which then references the related Supplier for this specific Product.
- d. Why does it use ".Value" for the Suppliers? E.g. *Item.Suppliers.Value.SupplierID* instead of just *Suppliers.SupplierID*. This is because related tables use the Lazy loader pattern (lazy initialization), which retrieves related values **only when needed**. Notice that the *ProductsBase* (*BusinessObjectBase*) class contains the *Suppliers* property which is lazily loaded. Code is removed for cleanness.

In C#

```
public Lazy<Suppliers> Suppliers
```

In VB.NET

```
Public ReadOnly Property Suppliers() As Lazy(Of Suppliers)
```

4. **Deleting a Record:** The delete functionality is not available to all the generated web forms that have a *GridView* web control. But for web forms with delete functionality here's what happens:
 - a. When you click the trash can Image Button on the *GridView*, it calls the *deleteItem* javascript function. The *ID* of the item you want to delete is passed as the *AlternateText* value of the delete image button.
 - b. The trash can button calls the *deleteItem* javascript function passing the id (*ProductID*).

```

<asp:ImageButton ID="IBtnDelete" runat="server" ToolTip="Click to delete"
    CommandArgument='<%#: Item.ProductID %>' BorderStyle="None" BackColor="Transparent"
    OnClientClick="javascript:return deleteItem(this.name, this.alt);"
    ImageUrl="~/Images/Delete.png" AlternateText='<%#: Item.ProductID %>'
    Width="16" Height="16"
    CommandName="Delete" />

```

- c. The *deleteItem* function shows the JQuery UI dialog. Clicking the *Delete* button in the dialog does a post back (highlighted below), clicking *Cancel* just closes the dialog.

```

function deleteItem(uniqueID, itemID) {
    var dialogTitle = 'Permanently Delete Item ' + itemID + '?';

    $("#deleteConfirmationDialog").html('<p><span class="ui-icon ui-icon-alert"
    style="float:left; margin:0 7px 20px 0;"></span>Please click delete to confirm deletion.</p>');

```

```

$("#deleteConfirmationDialog").dialog({
    title: dialogTitle,
    modal: true,
    buttons: {
        "Delete": function () { __doPostBack(uniqueID, ''); $(this).dialog("close"); },
        "Cancel": function () { $(this).dialog("close"); }
    }
});

$("#deleteConfirmationDialog").dialog('open');
return false;
}

```

- d. Clicking the *Delete* button in the dialog does a post back which calls the *DeleteMethod* (*DeleteGridItem*) assigned in the GridView which then calls the model-bound *DeleteGridItem* method/function in the code behind, which in turn calls the respective *BusinessObject* class, passing the ID (*ProductID*).

```

<asp:GridView ID="GridView1" runat="server" DataKeyNames="ProductID"
    ItemType="Northwind.BusinessObject.Products" SelectMethod="GetGridData" DeleteMethod="DeleteGridItem"
    onrowdatabound="GridView1_RowDataBound" onrowcreated="GridView1_RowCreated"
    SkinID="GridViewProfessional">

```

- e. If the deletion is successful, the item you deleted will be removed from the GridView.
- f. If there's an error during deletion, an exception is raised from the server-side and a client-side modal box is called and shown to the user along with the error message that occurred.

In C#

```

public void DeleteGridItem(int productID)
{
    try
    {
        Products.Delete(productID);
    }
    catch (Exception ex)
    {
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, this);
    }
}

```

In VB

```

Public Sub DeleteGridItem(ByVal productID As Integer)
    Try
        Products.Delete(productID)
    Catch ex As Exception
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, Me)
    End Try
End Sub

```

JavaScript

```

function ShowError(errorMessage, dialogTitle) {
    $(document).ready(function () {
        $("#errorDialog").text(errorMessage);
        $("#errorDialog").dialog({
            title: dialogTitle,
            modal: true,
            buttons: {
                Ok: function () {
                    $(this).dialog("close");
                }
            }
        });
    });
}

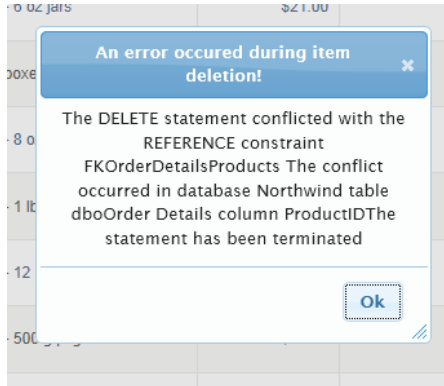
```

```

    }
  });
}

```

- g. Error shown as a *JQuery UI Dialog* shown to user.



5. **Adding a New Record:** The “Add a New Record” functionality is not available in all the generated web forms with a gridview.

Note: Code examples for the Adding a New Record discussion are taken from the (*GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Same Page)* type web form) *GridViewAddEdit* folder for *Products_Web.aspx*.

- a. When the web page loads, the client side click event handler for the *Add New Products* link and the *Cancel* button is initialized by calling the *InitializeAddEditRecord*.

```

$(function () {
    InitializeAddEditRecord();
    InitializeToolTip();
    InitializeValidation();
});

```

- b. The *InitializeAddEditRecord* toggles the showing and hiding of the div (*divAddEditRecord*) tag which contains the fields to add or edit a record.

```

<div id="divAddEditRecord" class="ui-widget-content" style="display: ...code removed for cleanness >
...code removed for cleanness
</div>

```

- c. The *InitializeAddEditRecord* also changes the box title to “Add New Products”. This is because the same function is used to show or hide the div (*divAddEditRecord*) tag when you edit a record, discussed later.
- d. When the *Add New Products* link is clicked the *addItem* javascript function is called, which also clears all the fields and resets all the validation errors if any.

```

function addItem() {
    clearFields();
    showHideItem(addEditTitle, null);
    resetValidationErrors();
    return false;
}

```

- e. When the *Add Record* button is clicked, validation errors show if there are errors. The *JQuery Validation* plugin error is triggered when the requirement is not satisfied in the inline *CssClass*. E.g. the code below shows that the Product Name is required.

```
<asp:TextBox ID="TxtProductName" MaxLength="40"
  CssClass="{required:true, messages:{required:'Product Name is required!'}}" runat="server" />
```

- f. The validation is possible because on the header of the web page we initialized the *JQuery Validation* plugin by loading the plugin and calling the *InitializeValidation* method.

Loading the *JQuery Validation* plugin

```
<%: Styles.Render("~/Styles/jquery.tooltip.css") %>
<%: Scripts.Render("~/Scripts/jquery.tooltip.min.js") %>
<%: Scripts.Render("~/Scripts/jquery.validate.min.js") %>
```

Calling the *InitializeValidation* method

```
$(function () {
  InitializeAddEditRecord();
  InitializeToolTip();
  InitializeValidation();
});
```

- g. In the *InitializeValidation* function we're telling the *JQuery Validation* plugin to validate everything under the *MasterPageForm1* (*id* of the *form* web control located in the master page). If there's an error, show the error in the next *td* tag from where the error occurred, and if it's valid we add a style named *success* (shows the check image) and a word "ok!"

MasterPage's (*Site.master*) Form Web Control

```
<form id="MasterPageForm1" runat="server">
```

InitializeValidation Function

```
function InitializeValidation() {
  validator = $("#MasterPageForm1").bind("invalid-form.validate", function () { }).validate({
    errorElement: "em",
    errorPlacement: function (error, element) {
      error.appendTo(element.parent("td").next("td"));
    },
    success: function (label) {
      label.text("ok!").addClass("success");
    }
  });
}
```

- h. When you click the *Add Record* button and the page is valid, the button's event handler catches the click event and calls the *AddOrUpdateRecord* method. Just like how the method sounds, it is used by both the adding of a new record as well as editing an existing record. This method uses the middle tier (*BusinessObject*) to add or edit a *Product*. When adding a new record, it instantiates a new *Product*, but when editing an existing record, it retrieves the *Product* by

primary key. It then starts assigning values to the Product's properties and calls the appropriate operation towards the end.

In C#

```
private void AddOrUpdateRecord(string operation)
{
    if (IsValid)
    {
        Products objProducts;

        if (operation == "update")
            objProducts =
                Northwind.BusinessObject.Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(Convert.ToInt32(HfldProductID.Value));
        else
        {
            objProducts = new Products();
        }

        objProducts.ProductName = TxtProductName.Text;
        objProducts.Discontinued = CbxDiscontinued.Checked;

        // Code removed for cleanness...

        // the insert method returns the newly created primary key
        int newlyCreatedPrimaryKey;

        try
        {
            if (operation == "update")
                objProducts.Update();
            else
                newlyCreatedPrimaryKey = objProducts.Insert();
        }
        catch (Exception ex)
        {
            if (operation == "update")
                Functions.ShowModalError(ex, this, "An error occurred during item update!");
            else
                Functions.ShowModalError(ex, this, "An error occurred during item addition!");
        }

        GridView1.DataBind();
    }
}
```

In VB.NET

```
Private Sub AddOrUpdateRecord(operation As String)
    If IsValid Then
        Dim objProducts As Products

        If operation = "update" Then
            objProducts = Northwind.BusinessObject.Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(
                Convert.ToInt32(HfldProductID.Value))
        Else
            objProducts = New Products()
        End If

        objProducts.ProductName = TxtProductName.Text
        objProducts.Discontinued = CbxDiscontinued.Checked

        ' Code removed for cleanness...

        ' the insert method returns the newly created primary key
        Dim newlyCreatedPrimaryKey As Integer

        Try
            If operation = "update" Then
```



```

        objProducts.Update()
    Else
        newlyCreatedPrimaryKey = objProducts.Insert()
    End If
End If
Catch ex As Exception
    If operation = "update" Then
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, Me, "An error occurred during item update!")
    Else
        Functions.ShowModalError(ex, Me, "An error occurred during item addition!")
    End If
End Try

GridView1.DataBind()

End If
End Sub

```

- i. When the new record is added, or the existing record updated, the gridview is refreshed to reflect the changes by calling the *GridView1.DataBind()*.

6. **Editing an Existing Record:** The “*Click to Edit Record*” functionality is not available in all the generated web forms with a gridview.

Note: Code examples for the Editing an Existing Record discussion are taken from the (*GridView with Add, Edit, & Delete (Same Page)* type web form) *GridViewAddEdit* folder for *Products_Web.aspx*.

- a. Please refer to *Adding a New Record’s* letters *a*, *b*, and *c* about the loading procedure.
- b. When the *Pencil Image* in the gridview is clicked the *editItem* javascript function is called, which clears all the fields, resets all the validation errors if any.

```

function editItem(parameterName, itemID) {
    var paramNameArray = parameterName.split("|");
    var itemIDArray = itemID.split("|");
    var commaDelimParams = '';

    for (i = 0; i < paramNameArray.length; i++) {
        if (i == 0)
            commaDelimParams = commaDelimParams + "" + paramNameArray[i] + "':" + itemIDArray[i] + "";
        else
            commaDelimParams = commaDelimParams + "," + paramNameArray[i] + "':" + itemIDArray[i] + "";
    }

    callWebMethod(urlAndMethod, commaDelimParams);
    showHideItem(addEditTitle, commaDelimParams);
    resetValidationErrors();
    return false;
}

```

- c. It also calls a *WebMethod* (web service, server-side) via JQuery's *\$.ajax* (client-side) command.

```

function callWebMethod(urlAndMethod, parameter) {
    $.ajax({
        type: "POST",
        url: urlAndMethod,
        data: "{" + parameter + "}",
        contentType: "application/json; charset=utf-8",
        dataType: "json",
        success: function (msg) {
            assignRetrievedItems(msg);
        }
    });
}

```

- d. The *urlAndMethod* value is where the URL the method/function to access is located. This is assigned early on in the web page.

```
var urlAndMethod = "Products_Web.aspx/GetProducts";
```

- e. This will call the *GetProducts* method/function (web service) from the *Products_Web.aspx* page. The *GetProducts* method/function retrieves the specific product by primary key using our middle tier object.

In C#

```
[WebMethod]
public static Products GetProducts(string productID)
{
    return Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(Convert.ToInt32(productID));
}
```

In VB.NET

```
<WebMethod()> _
Public Shared Function GetProducts(productID As String) As Products
    Return Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(Convert.ToInt32(productID))
End Function
```

- f. Looking back at the *callWebMethod* javascript code (in letter c), when the call to the web service is a success, it then calls the *assignRetrievedItems* function returning the *Product* business object from the server-side web service as JSON (*msg = Products* business object).
- g. The *assignRetrievedItems* function assigns the retrieved Product client-side.

```
function assignRetrievedItems(msg) {
    $("#<%=HfldProductID.ClientID %>").val(msg.d.ProductID);
    $("#<%=TxtProductID.ClientID %>").attr('disabled', true);
    $("#<%=TxtProductID.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.ProductID));
    $("#<%=TxtProductName.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.ProductName));
    $("#<%=DdlSupplierID.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.SupplierID));
    $("#<%=DdlCategoryID.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.CategoryID));
    $("#<%=TxtQuantityPerUnit.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.QuantityPerUnit));
    $("#<%=TxtUnitPrice.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.UnitPrice));
    $("#<%=TxtUnitsInStock.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.UnitsInStock));
    $("#<%=TxtUnitsOnOrder.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.UnitsOnOrder));
    $("#<%=TxtReorderLevel.ClientID %>").val(ConvertNullToString(msg.d.ReorderLevel));
    $("#<%=CbxDiscontinued.ClientID %>").attr('checked', ConvertNullToFalse(msg.d.Discontinued));
}
```

- h. There are a few things to notice here: During an edit we disable the *TxtProductID* text box. Because it is disabled, we cannot access the value assigned to it server-side, so we use a hidden field (*HfldProductID*) so we can get the *ProductID* value server-side. See code behind below.

In C#

```
private void AddOrUpdateRecord(string operation)
{
    if (IsValid)
    {
        Products objProducts;

        if (operation == "update")
```

```

        objProducts =
            Northwind.BusinessObject.Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(Convert.ToInt32(HfldProductID.Value));
    else
    {
        objProducts = new Products();
    }

```

In VB.NET

```

Private Sub AddOrUpdateRecord(operation As String)
    If IsValid Then
        Dim objProducts As Products

        If operation = "update" Then
            objProducts =
                Northwind.BusinessObject.Products.SelectByPrimaryKey(Convert.ToInt32(HfldProductID.Value))
        Else
            objProducts = New Products()
        End If
    End If

```

- i. The rest of the events will be similar to the *Add a New Record* shown above

Requirements

- .Net Framework 4.5
- Microsoft SQL Server 2000, 2005, 2008, or 2012 and later or an Attached SQL Express.
- Windows Vista, Windows 7, or Windows 8 and later

Limitations

- Generates English code only in either C# or VB.NET.
- Does not support retrieval of Large Value Data Type Columns (binary data types).
- Does not support new data types in MS SQL 2008/2012 such as Geometry, Geography, HeirachyId, etc.
- Does not generate code for database tables that has no explicit primary key definition.
- Sorting an XML data type field is not supported.
- Sysname data types are not supported, although for most parts this will work with the generated code.
- User-Defined data types are not supported, although for most parts this will work with the generated code.
- Non alphanumeric characters in table names, view names, column names, etc are replaced by an underscore.
- MS SQL access via windows authentication or active directory is not supported. Only SQL Authentication is supported. You need a SQL user name and password pair to use AspxFormsGen 4.5.

Recommendations

- Username/password used in AspXFormsGen must have admin or enough privileges in the database that you're going to work on.
- Use a local MS SQL Server if possible.
- Use No spaces when creating Table names or Field names in your database.
- Use alphanumeric characters only when creating Table names or Field names in your database.
- Use upper case letters for Table names and Field names if you have any plans of using Oracle in the future.
- Create explicit relationships for your tables using Diagrams.

Notes

1. Not Available in the Express Edition.
2. The generated *DataLayerBase* Classes for the Express editions do not contain code that encapsulates stored procedures or dynamic SQL. You need to add the code yourself in the *DataLayer* class.
3. *JQuery UI-Plugin* is a free plugin that uses the JQuery Framework. Please see more info here: <http://jqueryui.com>
4. *JQuery Validation Plugin* is a free plugin that uses the JQuery Framework. Please see more info here: <http://bassistance.de/jquery-plugins/jquery-plugin-validation/>
5. *MS SQL Server (2008, 2012, etc)* is a product of Microsoft. Please see more info here: <http://www.microsoft.com/sqlserver/2008/en/us/default.aspx>
6. *Visual Studio 2012* is a product of Microsoft. Please see more info here: <http://www.microsoft.com/visualstudio/en-us/products/2010-editions>
7. *Northwind* Database is a product of Microsoft. Please see more info here: <http://www.microsoft.com/download/en/details.aspx?id=23654>
8. *JQuery Tooltip Plugin* is a free plugin that uses the JQuery Framework. Please see more info here: <http://bassistance.de/jquery-plugins/jquery-plugin-tooltip/>
9. *HTML5 Boilerplate* is a free web template using the industry's best practices on web sites. Please see more info here: <http://html5boilerplate.com/>