

## What are containers?

A UI can be described as set of containers (views, ...) that contain components (buttons, toggles, ...) and content (images, text, ...). DoozyUI Manager helps you show/hide these containers, in an animated way, while also providing you with extra tools and sub-systems that will take your designs to the next level.

In order to be able to identify UI elements (containers and components), Doozy uses a human readable system of Categories and Names. Thus every relevant container like the UIView and component like the UIButton can have a Name and a Category assigned. Each relevant UI element has a database that can be modified, saved, exported (to other projects) and imported (from other projects).

The following databases are available at this time

### Containers

- Views - contains all categories and names for UIViews

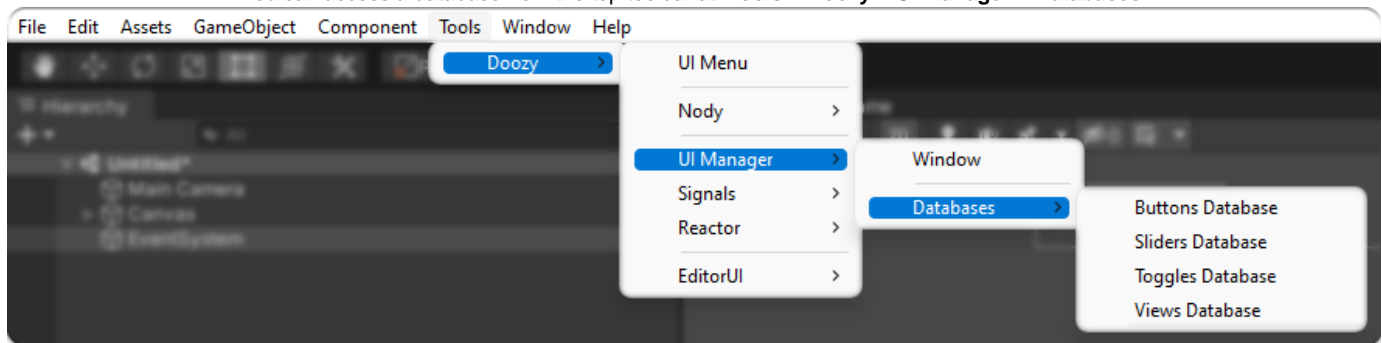
### Components

- Buttons - contains all categories and names for UIButtons
- Sliders - contains all categories and names for UISliders
- Toggles - contains all categories and names for UIToggles

### Signals

- Streams - contains all categories and names for Streams

You can access a database from the top toolbar at '**Tools > Doozy > UI Manager > Databases**'

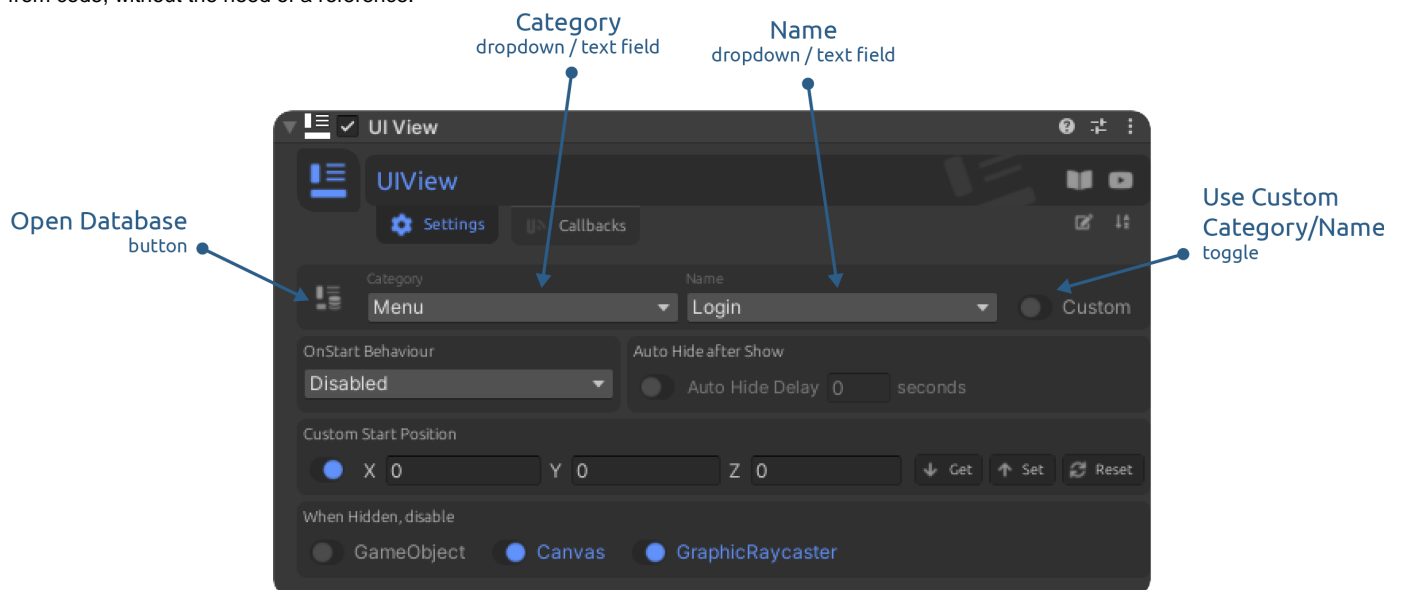


The **Views Database** window has the following layout (and so do the other ones).



**i** All Category/Name databases work in the same way so learning about how one works is enough to master using all of them.

Now that we've seen how a database looks and have an idea of how to add/remove categories and names to/from a database, we'll show you where to use them. Below you will see a **container** component called **UIView**. That is where the **Views Database** is used. You assign a Category and a Name (from that category) to a container (UIView) and, this way, you will be able to call show/hide from a flow graph or directly from code, without the need of a reference.



**i** There can be more than one **container (UIView)** with the same Category and Name. This makes it possible to call show/hide for all the views that share the same category/name at once.

We recommend that you continue by reading [How to animate containers](#)