

# INatAutoPopupMenu

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## Purpose

Gives access to a specific pop-up menu within a context menu, frame menu or pop-up menu.

Changes in a menu are not made visible immediately, in order to avoid flickering. After having finished modifying a menu, make the recent changes visible by calling the method `UpdateMenu` of the context menu or frame menu that contains this pop-up menu.

## Properties

The following properties are available:

- Studio
- Count
- Caption

### Studio

Used to navigate to the root interface.

Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
HANDLE OF OBJECT	VT_DISPATCH (INatAutoStudio)	Get only

### Count

The number of items (commands, separators and pop-up menus) in the menu.

Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
I4	VT_I4	Get only

### Caption

A string used to identify the menu, as defined when the menu was created.

Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
A	VT_BSTR	Get only

## Methods

The following methods are available:

- Item
- SubMenu
- InsertCommand
- InsertSeparator
- InsertPopupMenu

### Item

Returns a specific item contained in the menu, based on an index.

#### Parameters

Name	Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
Return value	A	VT_BSTR	
Index	I4 A	VT_I4 VT_BSTR	

#### Return value

The caption of the menu item (command or pop-up menu) identified by the value specified in Index. If the index identifies a separator, an empty string is returned.

#### Index

The index of the item in the menu (a value between 1 and Count).

### SubMenu

Returns a specific pop-up menu contained in the menu, based on an index.

#### Parameters

Name	Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
Return value	HANDLE OF OBJECT	VT_DISPATCH (INatAutoPopupMenu)	
Index	I4 A	VT_I4 VT_BSTR	

### Return value

The pop-up menu identified by the value specified in Index. If the specified index does not identify a pop-up menu, but a command or a separator, a null interface pointer (NULL-HANDLE) is returned.

### Index

As index either a number between 1 and Count or the caption of a pop-up menu can be specified.

## InsertCommand

Inserts a command into the menu.

### Parameters

Name	Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
Command	HANDLE OF OBJECT	VT_DISPATCH (INatAutoCommand)	
Index	I4	VT_I4	Optional

### Command

A command to be added to the menu. The command must have been defined before using the method `INatAutoCommands::Add`.

### Index

The position in the menu where the command shall be inserted. If Index is omitted, the command is inserted at the last position.

## InsertSeparator

Inserts a separator into the menu.

### Parameters

Name	Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
Index	I4	VT_I4	Optional

### Index

The position in the menu where the separator shall be inserted. If Index is omitted, the separator is inserted at the last position.

## InsertPopupMenu

Creates a new pop-up menu and inserts it into the menu.

### Parameters

Name	Natural Data Format	Variant Type	Remark
Return value	HANDLE OF OBJECT	VT_DISPATCH (INatAutoPopupMenu)	
Caption	A	VT_BSTR	
Index	I4	VT_I4	Optional

### Return value

The newly created pop-up menu.

### Caption

A string used to identify the pop-up menu.

### Index

The position in the menu where the pop-up menu shall be inserted. If Index is omitted, the pop-up menu is inserted at the last position.