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Guardmaster WordPress Theme Documentation

This is documentation for Guardmaster WordPress theme.

I would like to thank you first for buying the theme.

This theme was developed by [Templation.com](https://templation.com).

Lets get started...

Introduction

First of all, please excuse my English, as its not my first language.

Steps to get help

1. Please check for the solution in appropriate page on This document, if not found please check on FAQ page on bottom of this page.
2. Please check online version of this document [here](#), there are chances I have updated it after you downloaded the theme.
3. Please browse/search here for more how-to: <http://kb.templatation.com/> (There is not much content for now, but it will be added in future.)
4. Create ticket <http://templatation.com/support> (Do not forget to provide your themeforest purchase key for speedy reply.)

Thanks so much in advance for cooperation!

Best Practice to customize theme

Few style changes: If you only want to do few style changes, I suggest you to use Custom Css box in Theme Options > General > Custom Css. (this will override all other styles and it saves in database so it stays even if you update the theme)

Heavy style modifications: If you want to do heavy style modifications, I suggest you to use child theme instead. A blank simple child theme is supplied with your download in Resources folder. Just put your styles in style.css file of child theme.

Heavy customization: In case you are a developer and want to do heavy customization, again I suggest you use child theme. You can read more about child theme, here https://codex.wordpress.org/Child_Themes

Installation

I assume you already know how to install WordPress, many Web-hosts provide 1-Click interface to install one of the Most popular CMS today, WordPress!

For detailed WordPress installation instructions visit

http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress

Uploading Guardmaster Theme

Before moving to installation, we first need to upload theme to WordPress. (Assuming you are logged into wp-admin already at this point). Here is what to do next...

- Download theme from Themeforest. Please download All **Files and Documentation** and Not *Installable WordPress files only*.
- Unzip that folder on your local PC/Mac
- Inside that folder, you will find a zip guardmaster.zip around 2-5MB of size. (this is the WordPress theme)
- Go to your wp-admin dashboard, then go to Appearance -> Themes -> Add new, and upload guardmaster.zip, and then activate the theme.
- Immediately skip to below section please.

Installing Guardmaster Theme

The theme comes with 1-Click installer and demo setup, you only need to follow below simple instructions.

- As soon as you activate the theme, you will be forwarded to install few plugins, please install theme, and then activate them. (refer image 1 below)
- (At this point, you might be forwarded to Woocommerce setup page by woocommerce plugin, please click Skip button for now.)
- Go to Themeoptions -> Demo Importer (if you do not see this menu, then required plugin are not installed yet.)(refer image 2 below)
- Click on your desired demo. (Please wait 2 minutes till demo gets imported and page auto refreshed)
- Now we can do WC setup(if you need shop). Click purple button Run the setup wizard. (refer image 4 below)

- Thats it !

Note: If for some reason, menus does not get assigned automatically, please go to wp-admin/Appearance->Menus to assign menu. (refer image 3 below)

The above process is automatic and thus is technical. There are chances things might go wrong depending on your server's technical settings. Feel free to [contact me](#) if you have any trouble.

Image 1 (referred above)

As soon as you activate the theme the first time, you will see this screen.

Install Required Plugins

Thanks for Activating Guard Master WordPress theme.

Theme requires few bundled plugins to function on its full power. Please Install and Activate. You can ofcourse choose not to install any particular plugin if you do not need it. If you do not see any plugin listed below that means all required plugins are active and up to date.

All (6) | To Activate (6)

Bulk Actions

	Source	Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Guard Master Demo Content importer	External Source	Re
<input type="checkbox"/> Revolution Slider Plugin		Re
<input type="checkbox"/> Templatation Framework		Re

Step 1: Select all plugins.

Step 2: Install plugins.

Step 3: Activate plugins.

Image 2 (referred above)

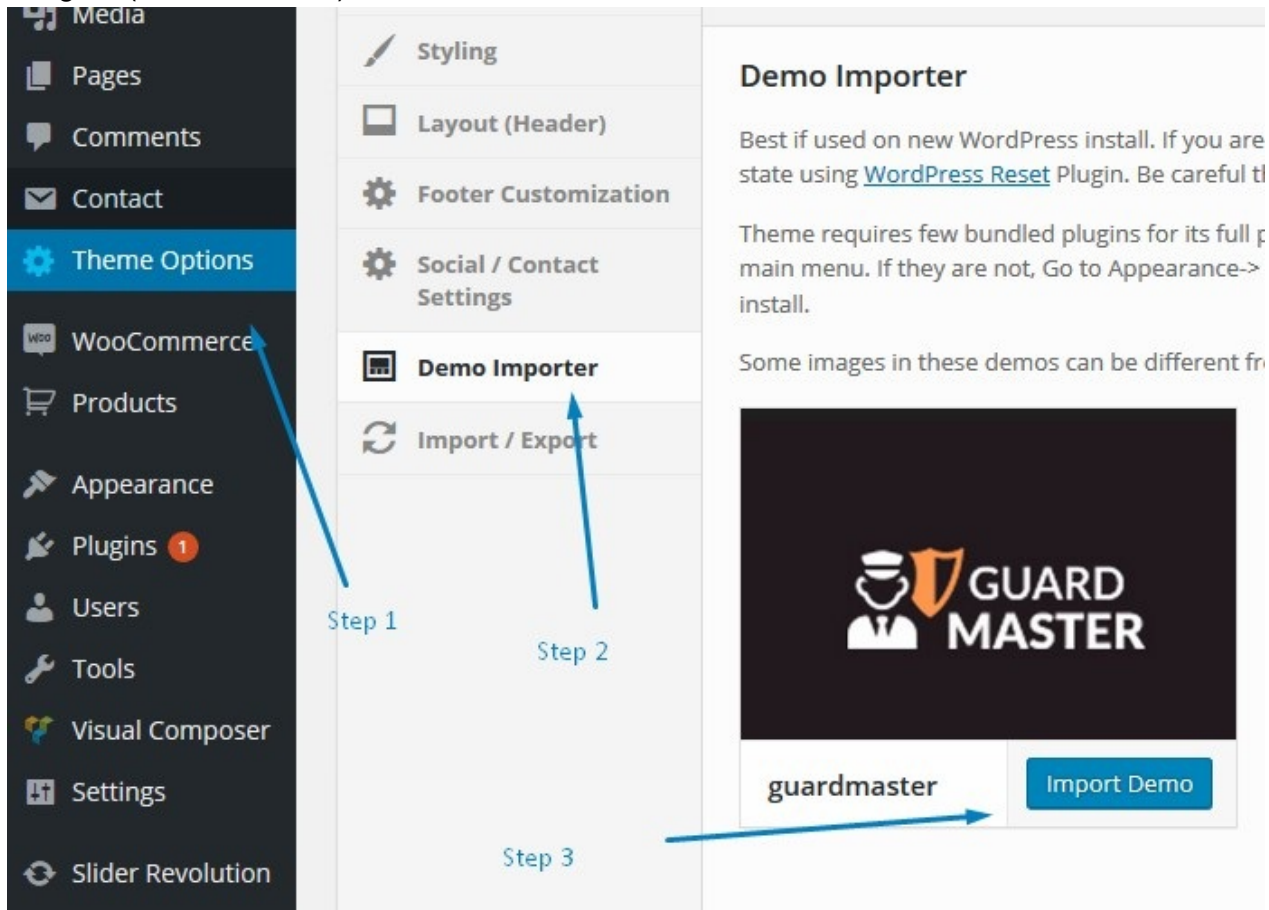


Image 3 (referred above)

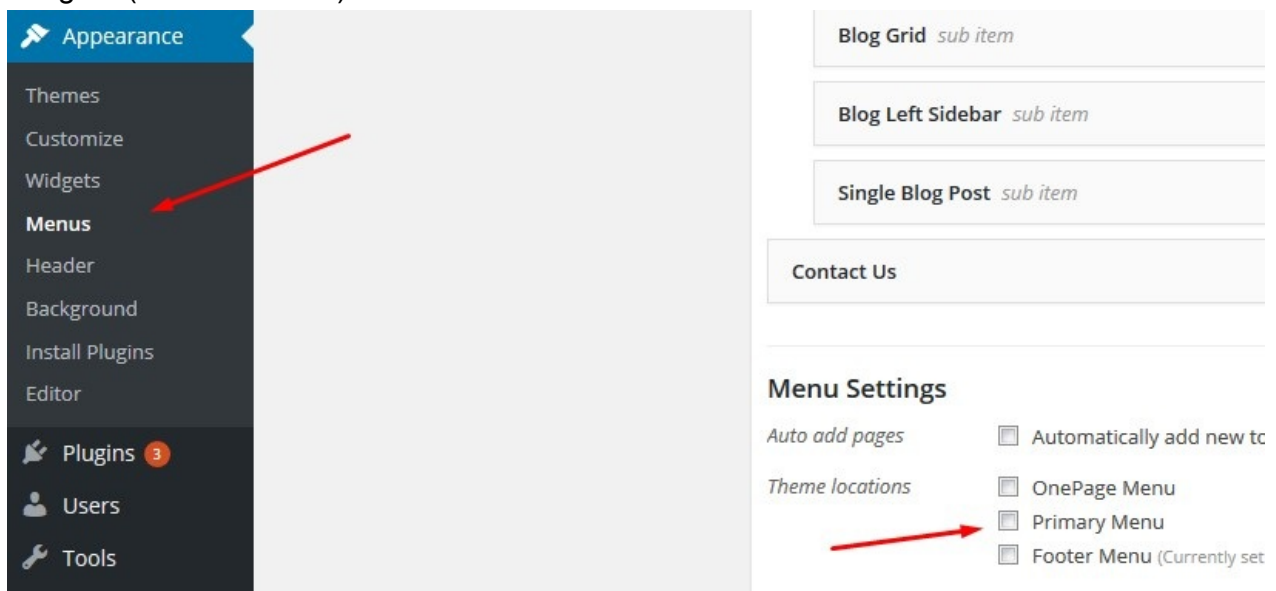
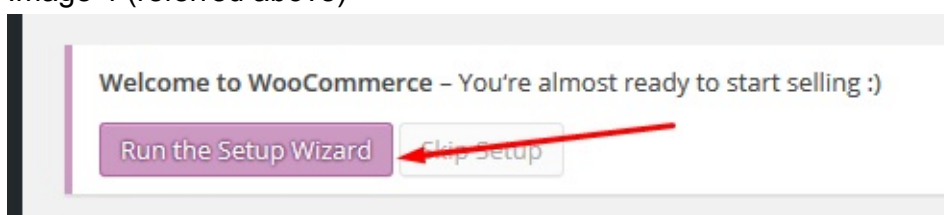


Image 4 (referred above)



Main Setup

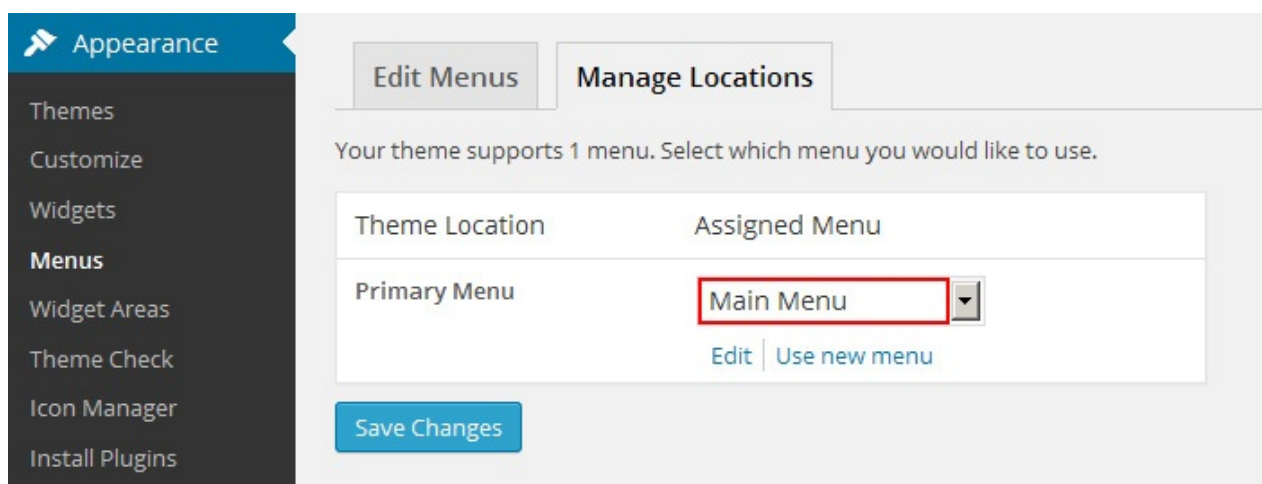
Please follow the instructions below for the basic setups of the theme.

Menu

If importing went successful, you will see menu already. To Setup menu as per your need, please go through these steps:

Main menu/ Primary menu is the most prominent menu for the theme. Mostly appears beside logo.

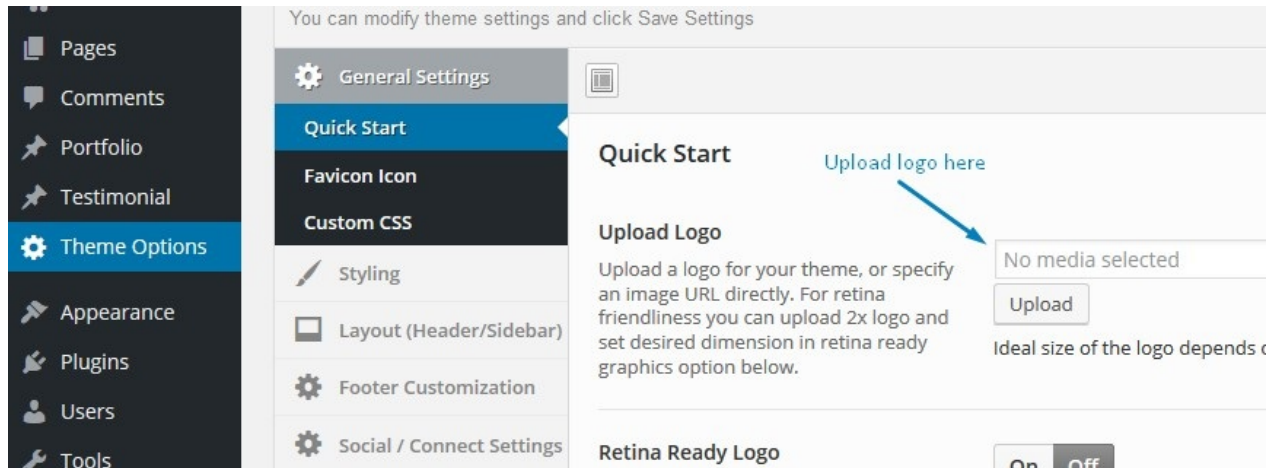
1. Go to Appearance > Menus.
2. In Manage Locations tab, you can choose the menu from dropdown list for Primary Menu.



- If you are not seeing certain block on left side, for example Categories, please click on "Screen Options" on top right corner and select its checkbox and reload the page.
- Always hit "Save Menu" if you are satisfactorily done modifying the menu.

Logo Setup

To upload your own logo, please go to Themeoptions/General settings.



If you are concerned about Retina devices, you can upload double size logo, and then turn on Retina ready devices, you will see option to enter desired dimensions for logo.

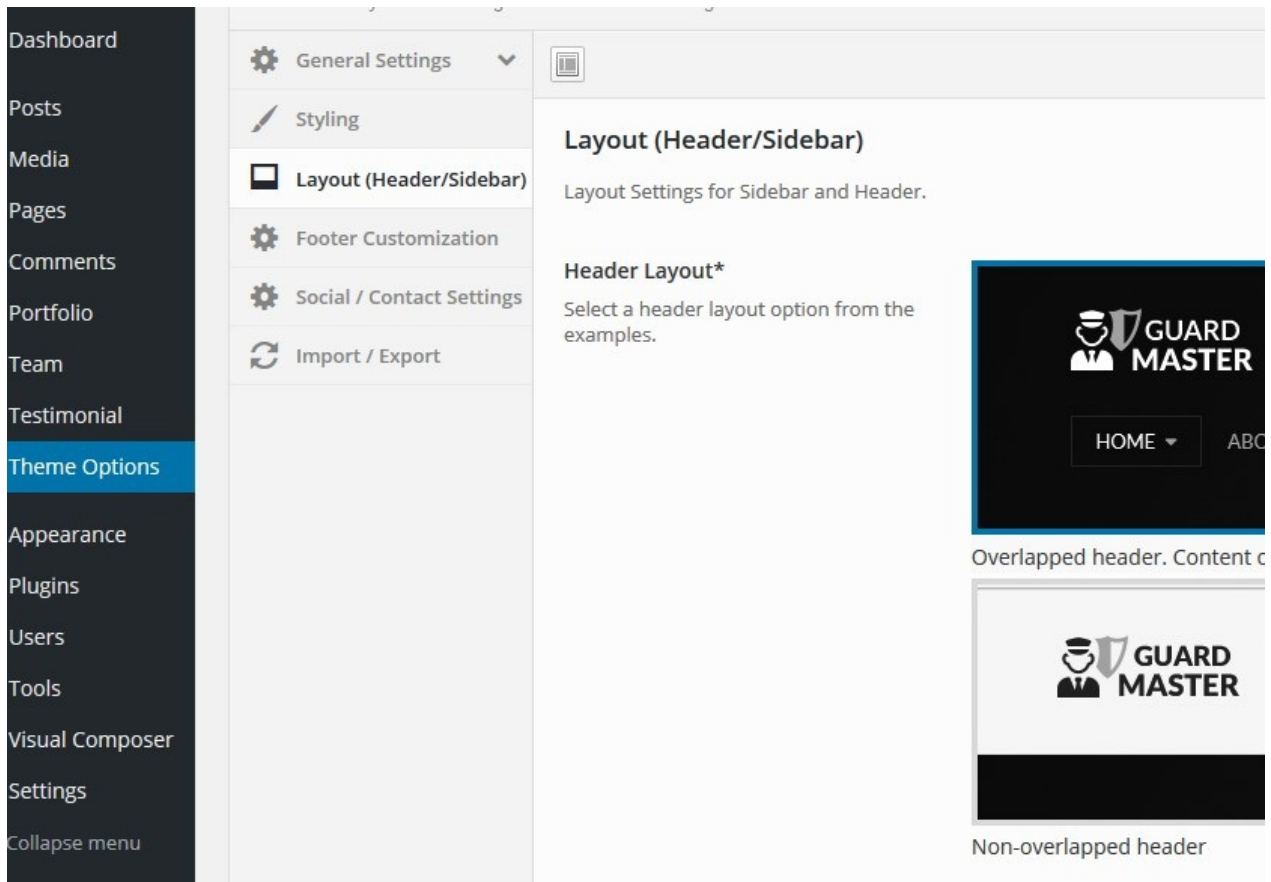
The logic here is that logo file will be actually double of size it actually appears on screen, so that retina devices can show it in high resolution.

For example, say your actual logo size is 250px x 150px. If you want high res logo on retina devices, All you have to do is upload logo file of 500x300px size. And then enter 250x150px in Dimensions.

Note : If your logo is distorted, you can try making Retina height blank.

Header Setup

In this theme, there are 2 types of header. You can choose one you like... By going to Themeoptions / Layout



Sidebar

To put Widgets in sidebar, please go to Appearance / Widgets and drag Widgets of your choice to Default Sidebar Widget area.

Staff

Downloads

Testimonials

Partners/Clients

Theme Options

Appearance

Themes

Customize

Widgets

Menus

Editor

Plugins

Users

Tools

Settings

A list or dropdown of categories.

Meta

Login, RSS, & WordPress.org links.

Recent Comments

Your site's most recent comments.

RSS

Entries from any RSS or Atom feed.

Tag Cloud

A cloud of your most used tags.

TT - Subscribe / Connect

Add a subscribe/connect widget.

Add a custom menu to your sidebar.

Pages

A list of your site's Pages.

Recent Posts

Your site's most recent Posts.

Search

A search form for your site.

Text

Arbitrary text or HTML.

Archives

Categories

Meta

Sidebar (Default)

Default sidebar.

Footer 1

.. To here.

Footer

Here you will find settings to fully customize footer widgets

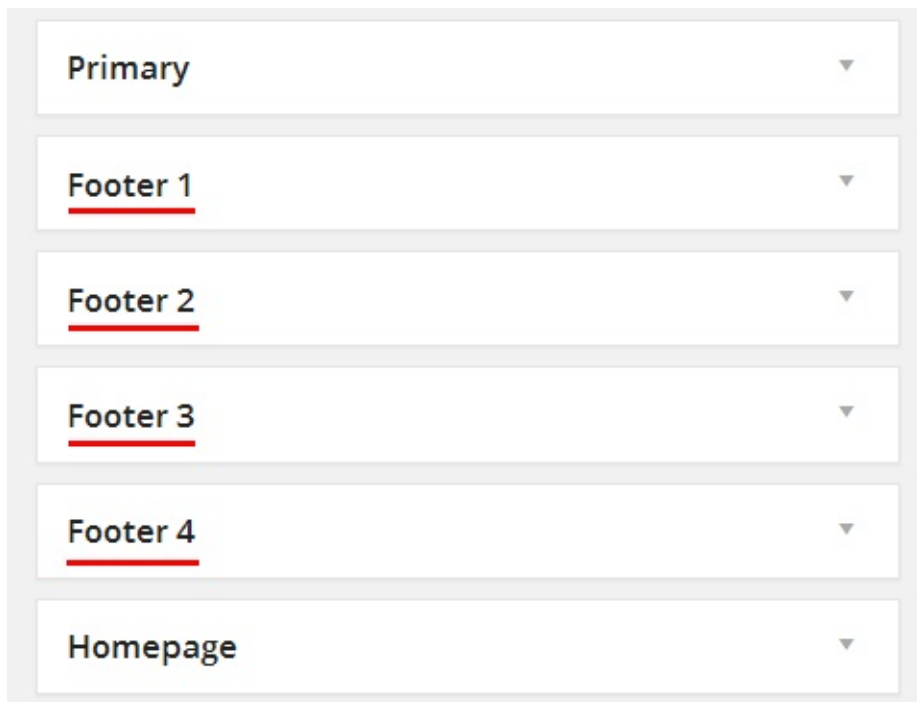
You have choice to display default, 1, 2, 3, 4 columns in footer widgets. Based on the columns you select in Theme-Options > Footer Customization.

Footer Widget Areas



Select how many footer widget areas you want to display.

Based on your selection of columns, You will see Widget areas generated in the Appearance > Widgets.



For example, if you chose to have 3 columns in the footer, you will see 3 Footer widget areas where you can drop widgets.

To activate footer widgets, go to Appearance > Widgets and just drag n' drop in the areas provided.

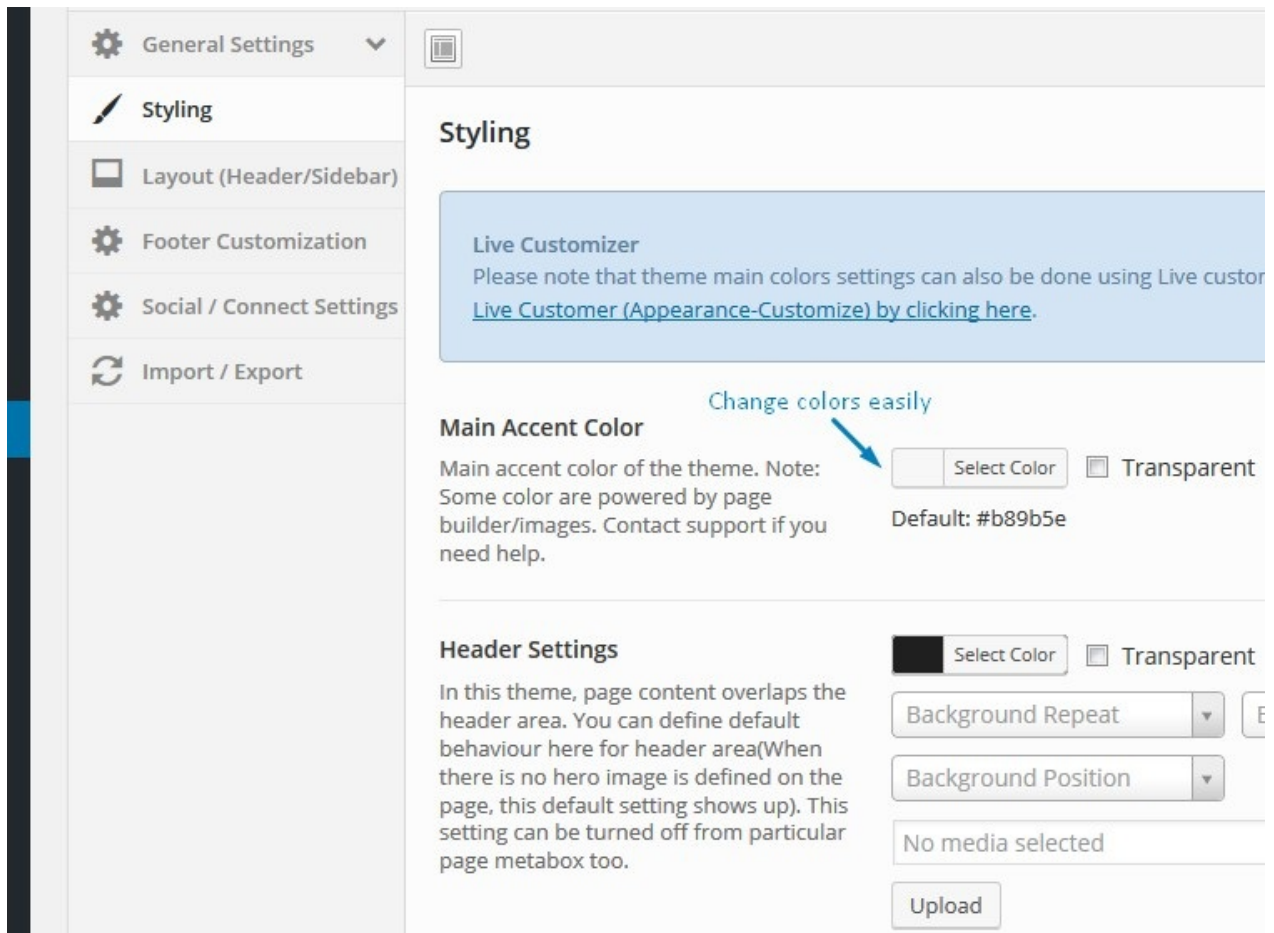
There is also a bottom bar for showing Copyright and other info. You can manage its content from Themeoptions/Footer customizations as well.

Note that if you want to just disable the default text without adding your own, just enable the Custom checkbox and right nav on Themeoptions/Footer customizations.

Color Customization

In this theme, you can change colors of the theme easily.

To change colors, you can go to Themeoptions/Styling.



If you want to customize colors using live preview, please go to Appearance -> Customize.

Revolution Slider

I have used and included Revolution slider <http://codecanyon.net/item/slider-revolution-responsive-wordpress-plugin/2751380> (*extended license was bought by me, permits you use **only with this theme.***) with this theme because it is very powerful and at the same time really easy to use. During the installation of theme you should have already installed Revolution Slider plugin. If you haven't, please go to Appearance -> Install plugins to install and activate it.

Documentation from plugin author is included in Documentation/other-documentation folder together this file.

To edit slides, please go to wp-admin/revolution-slider and click on respective slider.

Note: If auto install is not successful, you can find the slider import file in MAIN-THEMEFOREST-DOWNLOAD\Resources\import-data\revsliders

Page Builder

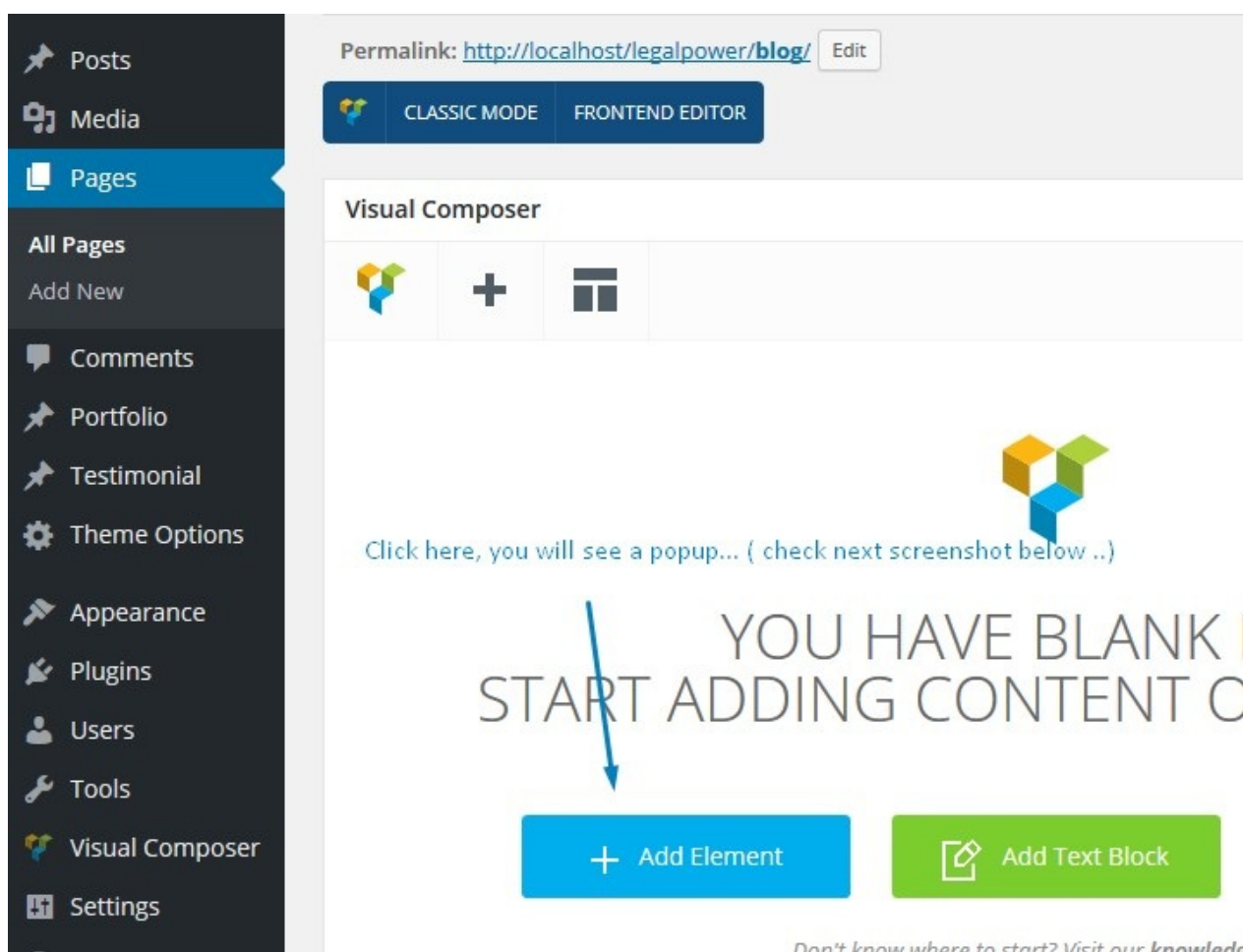
This theme is integrated well with Visual Composer page builder plugin to create content with Drag and Drop interface.

You can Check plugin's main website for more information <https://vc.wpbakery.com/> about the plugin and videos etc.

This plugin does have learning curve of around 1-2 hours. But once you get used to of it, its addictive. :)

Here is quick start guide...

- First create a new page. Then you will see following screen.



The screenshot displays the 'Page Builder' interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with a list of menu items: Posts, Media, Pages, Pages, New, Comments, Portfolio, Team, Testimonial, Theme Options, Appearance, Plugins, Users, Tools, Visual Composer, Settings, and a partially visible 'Collage menu'. The main area is titled 'Add Element' and features a top navigation bar with tabs: All, Content, Social, Structure, WordPress Widgets, Guard Master, and Depreciated. A red arrow points to the 'Guard Master' tab. Below the tabs is a grid of 15 widget options, each with an icon and a brief description:

- Button**: Few types of btn.
- Info block**: Info block with title, subtitle and desc.
- Icon Box**: Icon box with title, subtitle and desc.
- Team**: Different types of team member block.
- Full with image**: Full image
- List**: List types
- Benefits list**: Benefits list
- History**: Show History in tabbed format with years as heading.
- Brands**: Brands images
- Video block**: Video block
- Progress skills**: Progress
- Accordion**: Create accordion
- Pricing plan**: Pricing plan
- Count box**: Count box
- Title block**: Title block
- List post**: List posts beautifully in carousel.
- Team slider**: Team slider
- GM Hero Area**: Highlighted section with BG image and text.

Below the widget grid is the 'Page Options' section, which includes a 'GENERAL SETTINGS' header. Under this header, there is a toggle switch for 'Enable overlapping of header area on this page', which is currently set to 'OFF'. A note below the toggle reads: 'When enabled, the page content starts right from the top. Recommended to enable if you enable hero section below.'

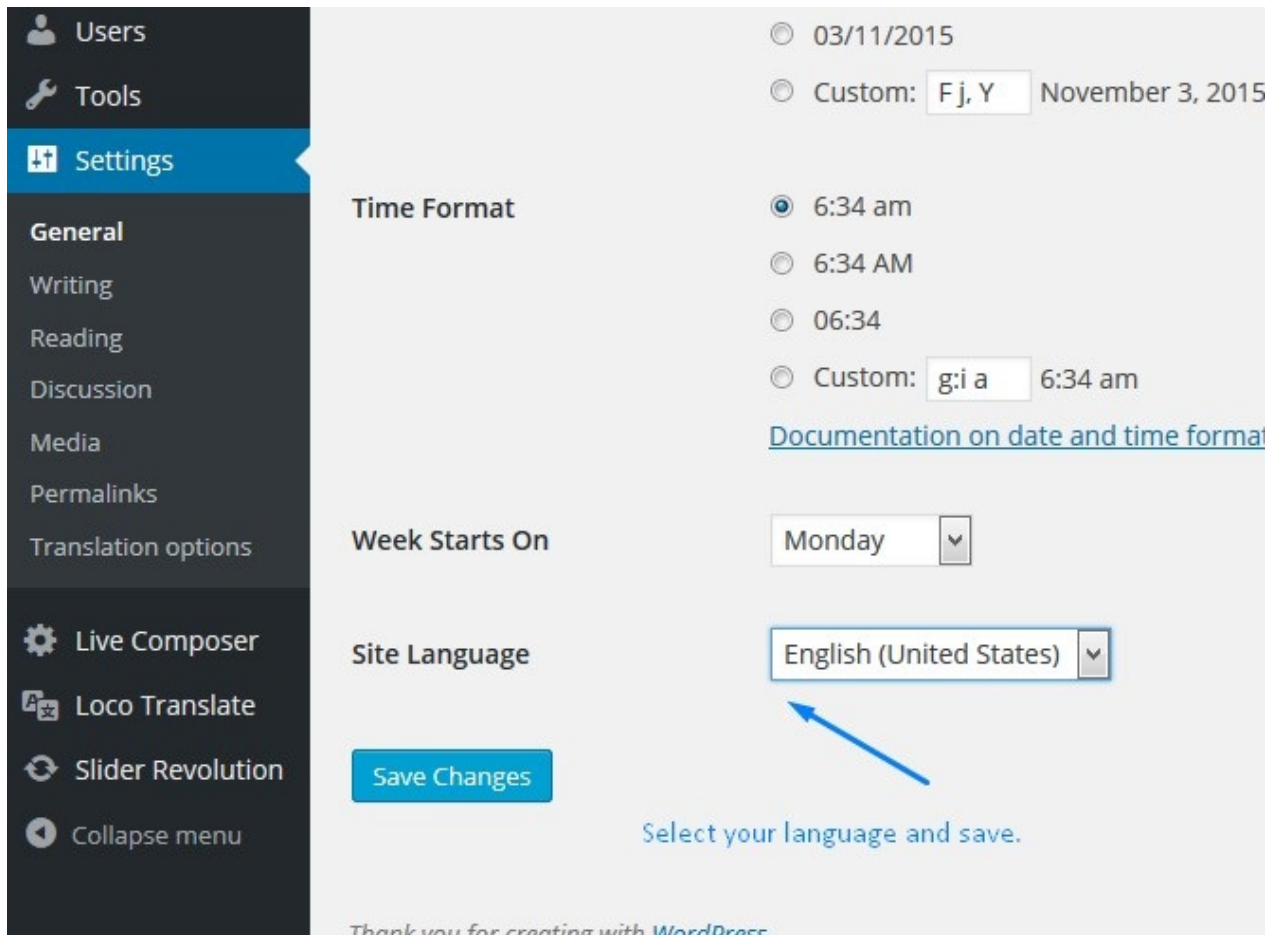
Note: If you need, Visual composer documentation can also be found in Main-themeforest-download\Documentation\other-documentation

Translation

The theme is translation ready and its very easy to translate it in your desired language.

Here are the steps.

1) Go to wp-admin/settings/general/ and Select your language.



2) Install and activate this plugin <https://wordpress.org/plugins/loco-translate/> (I am assuming you know how to install plugins, if you do not, please Google it.)

3) Once plugin is activated, you will find a new menu on left. Please go to Loco Translate -> Manage translations, and click on New language link of Guardmaster theme. (Please disregard theme name in following screenshot, it was built for another theme. You can still follow the same steps.)

Select a plugin or theme to translate

Themes *Make sure you are working on the this theme.*

Package details	Translations (PO)	Template (POT)	File permissions
mylawyer 1 language Updated November 3, 2015 6:34 am	New language hi_IN : Hindi 0%	templation.pot	Some files not writ

step 2: Click here, on next page, add your language.

Plugins *You can ignore this.*

Package details	Translations (PO)	Template (POT)	File permissions
Loco Translate 16 languages Updated November 3, 2015 6:15 am	New language nl_BE : Dutch (Belgium) 46% fr_FR : French (France) 92% de_DE : German 91% pl_PL : Polish 91% ru_RU : Russian 80% id_ID : Indonesian 90% it_IT : Italian 80%	loco-translate.pot	OK

Step 1, click here

4) On next page, select your language, and click Start translating, on next page you will see list of all available strings and a box to enter their translation.

Packages **Settings** **mylawyer**

Hindi: hi_IN.po Updated: November 3, 2015 6:34 am — 0% translated

Save PO MO Sync Revert Fuzzy Filter translations

Source text

- Default Blog
- Posted by
- read more
- Written by
- Comments
- No Responses
- One Response
- % Responses

Source text:

Name of the template

Default Blog

Hindi translation:

Add that string's translation

Select your Language here.

Select string

*Last step, save translation
If you see green bar saying data saved. Then you are done!*

Note that there are over 1000 strings, but you do not need to translate all of them, most of them are being used in Admin panel like in themeoptions etc and can be ignored as front user never see them.

So its recommended that you go through the front website and find and translate terms as needed. There should be under 100 strings that are required.

Once Saved in last step, if you do not see Green bar, and see some permission problems in saving data instead, then please contact your host about it, as its server file permission problem.

Theme Updates

Note : Its always recommended to backup your Website, Theme, Database before updating. You can use [this updraftplus plugin](#) to have regular backups of your Website.

Updating the theme is very easy.

To update theme, you can use this [Envato Market](#) plugin. This is created by Themeforest itself, and there are just simple steps to follow once and you can update easily always in future.

After updating the theme, just go to Appearance->plugins to update all plugins to their latest versions.

Frequently Asked Questions.

Question: Is there any online Knowledgebase ?

Answer: Yes, please find it at <http://kb.templatation.com/> (There is not much content for now, but it will be added in future.)

Question: I have a question, how do I contact you ?

Answer: Feel free to contact anytime using <http://templatation.com/support> for any question, suggestion, feedback, or just saying Hi!

Question: I do not know how to install WordPress, what should I do.

Answer: There are number of tutorials online for installing Wordpress, you can also find Videos on Youtube for same. Apologies for inaccurate answer, but thats because its not part of Theme-support. Thanks for understanding in advance.

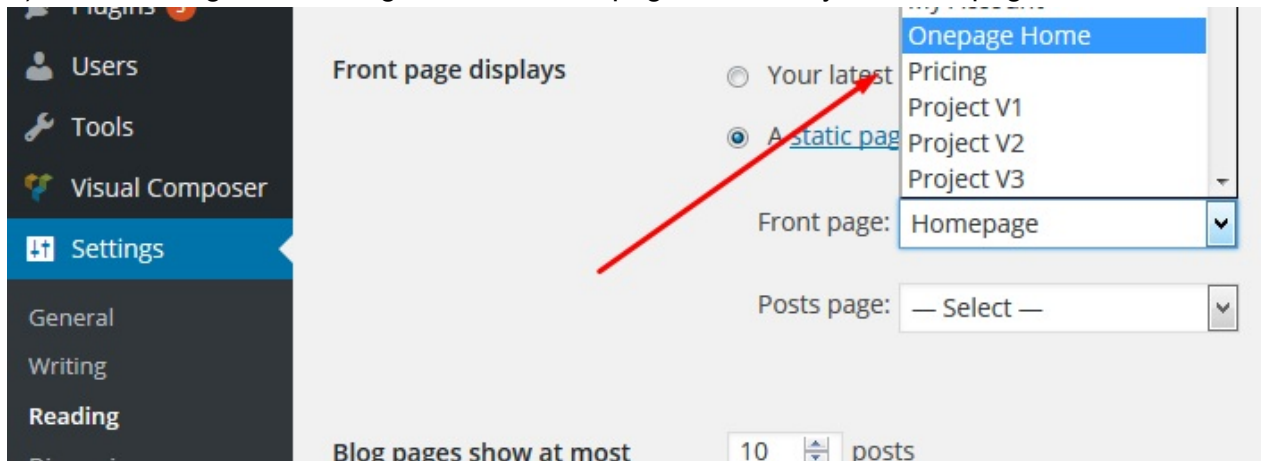
Question: I have imported demo, but I do not see various header versions as seen in the demo.

Answer: Please go to Themeoptions/Header settings to select the header layout of your choice.

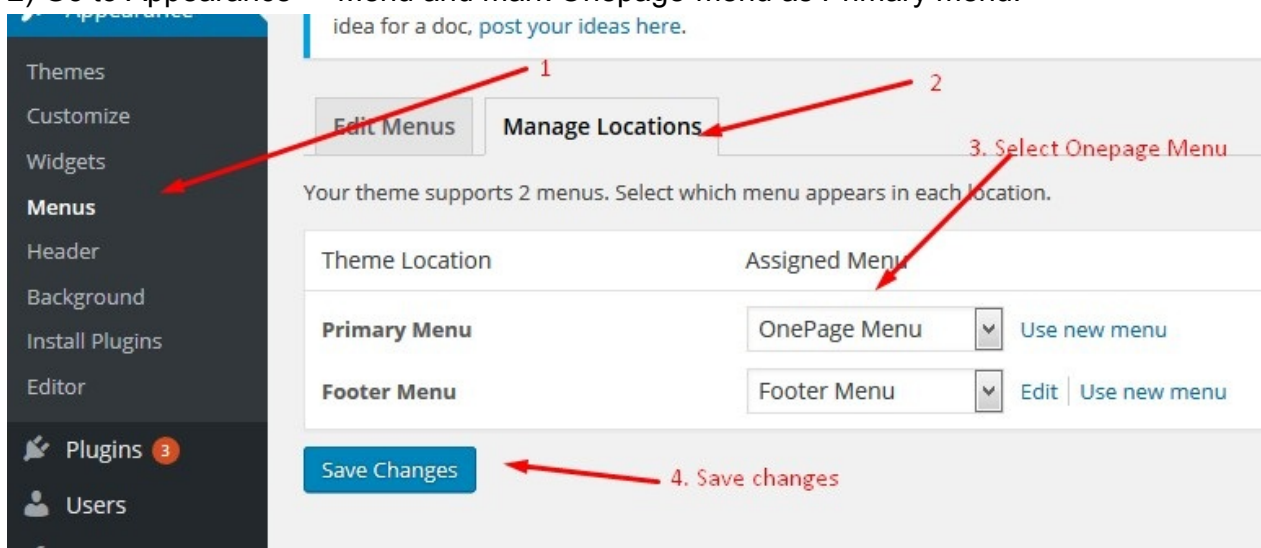
Question: I have imported demo, but I see multipage website, while I wanted one-page website as shown in Demo, how do I achieve that.

Answer: To make import process faster, we import the multipage website by default which most people use. But its easy to activate the one-page website. There are only 2 steps.

1) Go to Settings -> Reading and select Onepage-Home as your Homepage



2) Go to Appearance -> Menu and mark Onepage-menu as Primary menu.



Question: I want the mailchimp form on the bottom as seen in the Demo, how do I do that.

Answer: That form is powered by this plugin <https://wordpress.org/plugins/yikes-inc-easy-mailchimp-extender/> this plugin was not recommended by default as not everyone will need mailchimp integration, once you install and activate the plugin then you only need to follow on screen setup instructions. After that please go to Appearance -> Widgets, and activate Yikes mailchimp widget in Footer4 sidebar.