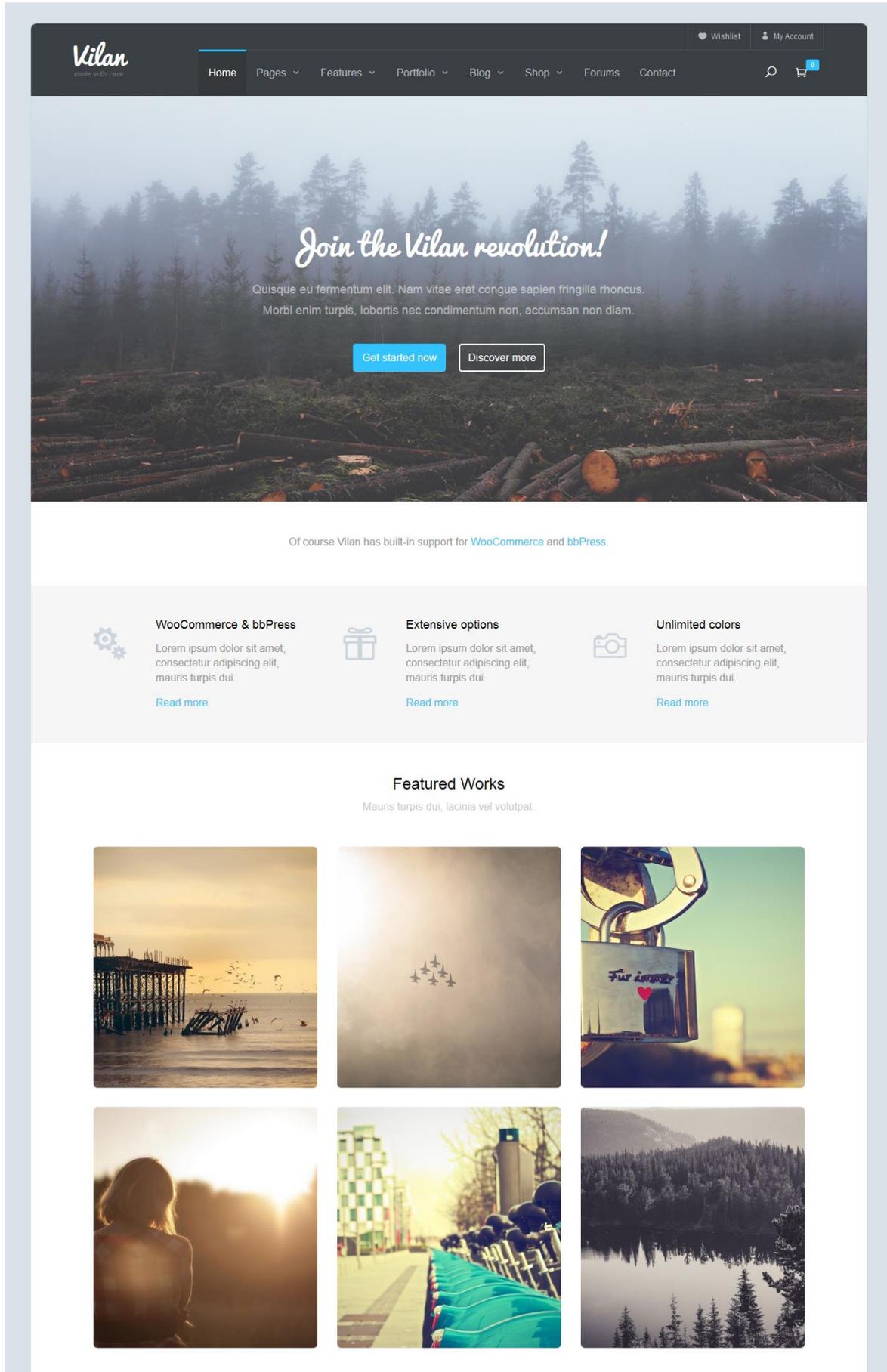


# VILAN theme documentation



## Introduction

Thank you for purchasing my theme. If you have any questions that are beyond the scope of this help file, please feel free to email via my user page contact form [here](#). Thank you!

## Installation

For proper installation please follow the next steps. Also please check the WordPress installation guide, which you find here [Installing WordPress](#)

**This theme requires WordPress > 3.5.0**

### A. FTP Installation (manual)

1. First of all, your server should support **PHP 5.2.x**. You will also need an installation of WordPress . If you don't have one, download it from [here](#) and follow instructions on the WordPress site on how to install it correctly.
2. If you have a running installation of WordPress , place the theme files from the download into the "themes" folder. The path to this folder should be something like **/WordPress\_install\_dir/wp-content/themes/**. Make sure that all theme files (**without the PSDs and help files !**) are in the separate folder called "**Vilan**". The path to the theme files should be **/WordPress\_install\_dir/wp-content/themes/vilan** upon completion of this step.
3. Enter you WordPress Admin Interface. It should be available at <http://yourdomain.com/wp-admin>.
4. In the left menu, find **Appearance** tab. Click it. A submenu should appear. Click **Themes**.
5. The themes screen should show all of your installed themes.
6. Find **Vilan** theme and hit **Activate**.

This theme requires the following plugin: *WPBakery Visual Composer*.

This theme recommends the following plugins: *Slider Revolution, WooCommerce, YITH WooCommerce Compare, YITH WooCommerce Wishlist, YITH WooCommerce Zoom Magnifier* and *bbPress*.

[Begin installing plugins](#) | [Dismiss this notice](#)

New theme activated. [Visit site](#)

**Active: Vilan WordPress Theme** [Customize](#)

**Twenty Fourteen**

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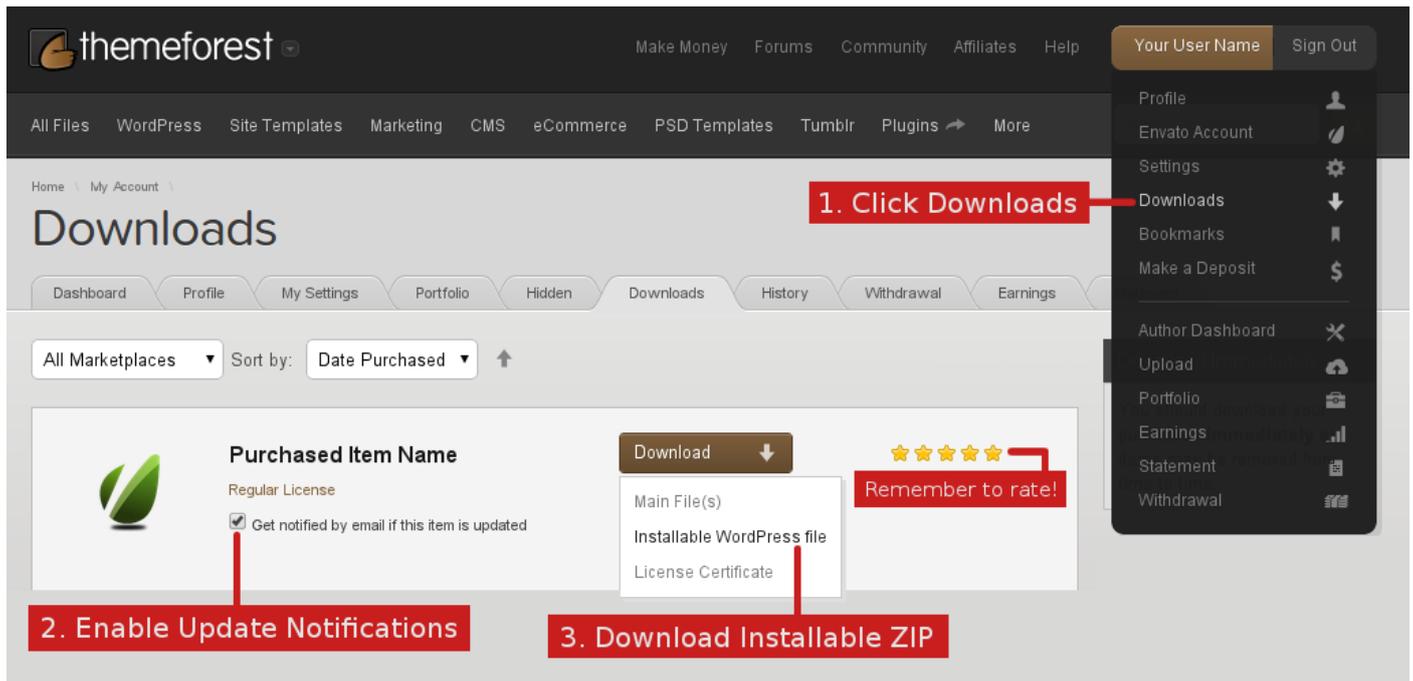
### B. Through WP administration panels

1. Log in to WordPress
2. Select the **Appearance** panel, then **Themes**.
3. Select Install Themes

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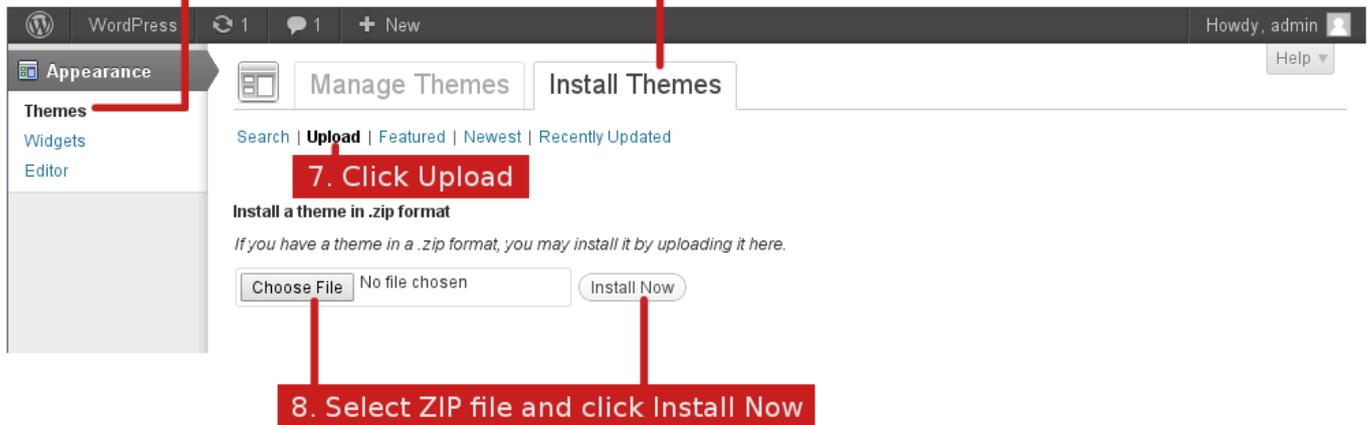
4. Use the sub-menu and click on **Upload**. Choose the file **vilan.zip** from the package you downloaded from TF and click **install now**.



4. Login to WordPress

5. Click Appearance - Themes menu

6. Click Install Themes



## C. Continuing install

Now as you have installed the theme, let's continue with the installation of plugins and demo content:

1. Install theme plugins
2. Install theme Demo Content

### 1. Install theme plugins

Once the theme is activated you'll see a message on every admin page stating **"This theme requires the following plugins....."**. Click on **"Begin installing plugins"**.

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[Begin installing plugins](#) | [Dismiss this notice](#)

Now, click on the checkbox next to “Plugin” to select all the plugins, then from the select box above select “Install” and click the “Apply” button. This will automatically install all the necessary plugins.

### Install Required Plugins

Install

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plugin	Source	Type	Status
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WPBakery Visual Composer	Pre-Packaged	Required	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Slider Revolution	Pre-Packaged	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WooCommerce	WordPress Repository	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YITH WooCommerce Compare	WordPress Repository	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YITH WooCommerce Wishlist	WordPress Repository	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YITH WooCommerce Zoom Magnifier	WordPress Repository	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> bbPress	WordPress Repository	Recommended	Not Installed
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plugin	Source	Type	Status

Bulk Actions

After the plugins are installed click on “Return to Required Plugins Installer” to **activate the plugins**.

### Install Required Plugins

The installation process is starting. This process may take a while on some hosts, so please be patient.

Installing Plugin WPBakery Visual Composer (1/7)

WPBakery Visual Composer installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin Slider Revolution (2/7)

Slider Revolution installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin WooCommerce (3/7)

WooCommerce installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin YITH WooCommerce Compare (4/7)

YITH WooCommerce Compare installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin YITH WooCommerce Wishlist (5/7)

YITH WooCommerce Wishlist installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin YITH WooCommerce Zoom Magnifier (6/7)

YITH WooCommerce Zoom Magnifier installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

Installing Plugin bbPress (7/7)

bbPress installed successfully. [Show Details.](#)

All installations have been completed.

[Return to Required Plugins Installer](#)

Afterwards you'll be redirected to this page where you repeat the steps above and select "Activate" instead of "Install".

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After successful activation you will be asked to return to the dashboard.

The following plugins were activated successfully: WPBakery Visual Composer, Slider Revolution, WooCommerce, YITH WooCommerce Compare, YITH WooCommerce Wishlist, YITH WooCommerce Zoom Magnifier and bbPress..

<input type="checkbox"/>	Plugin	Source	Type	Status
No plugins to install or activate. <a href="#">Return to the Dashboard</a>				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Plugin	Source	Type	Status

Note: On the next screen some notifications will appear. Do as follows:

1. When the WooCommerce message appears click on **Skip setup** – very important (because those pages are already created in the theme import we make)
2. Revolution Slider - Click on the "Never show this message again", because the slider is already bundled in the theme

Hi! Would you like to activate your version of Revolution Slider to receive automatic updates & get premium support? This is optional and not needed if the slider came bundled with a theme. [\(never show this message again\) X](#)

Dashboard

Welcome to WooCommerce – You're almost ready to start selling :)

[Install WooCommerce Pages](#) [Skip setup](#)

Now we'll proceed with the installation of theme demo content.

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## 2. Install theme Demo Content (2 Steps)

(Step 1) The demo content (page, posts, product, post types) comes bundled in the package; you can find it in **import** folder named **vilan\_demo\_content.xml**

1. Go to **Tools >> Import**
2. Select **WordPress** from the list, install , Activate Plugin & Run Importer.
3. Then just choose the file (**vilan\_demo\_content.xml**) from “**Choose a file from your computer**” then **Upload file and import**.
4. Select **Download and import file attachments** and hit **Submit**
5. Be patient, it usually takes a minute or two.
6. That’s it, you have demo content on your website, but we’re not done yet. ...

(Step 2) Next we have to install the theme settings, menus and sidebars. Luckily this is done with **1 click install**.

1. Go to **Appearance >> Load Demo Content**
2. We resolved **Step 1** and will continue with **Step 2**.
3. Select every import feature available and hit **import**.

### Import demo content

This area allows you to install the demo theme content for easy management.

**Preinstall notes:**

Make sure you run this imports on a clean WordPress installation, otherwise unpredictable errors may occur.  
Follow the bellow steps in the exact given order.

**Step 1. Import Default Content (pages, posts, images)**

Please download the [demo content file \(right click - save as\)](#) to your desktop, then go to [Import](#) option and choose WordPress (install the plugin if needed). Once you are there, run the importer by uploading the sample content file. This will load in all the Pages, Posts and images.

**Step 2. Import Default Settings:**

If you wish to setup other demo content, please check the options below. Do this after importing default content above (Step 1).

(1) Import Theme Settings ←

(2) Import Menu Settings ←

(3) Import Sidebars and Widgets ←

**Step 4. [Install WooCommerce plugin \(Optional\)](#)**

To import this settings, WooCommerce plugin must be installed.

Import WooCommerce Settings ←

**Step 5. [Install Revolution Slider plugin \(Optional\)](#)**

To import this settings, Revolution Slider plugin must be installed.

Import Revolution Slider Settings ←

←

**That’s it, you have demo content and all the theme settings installed on your website.**

**Note: You need to change the URL of the the FORUMS menu item, because it links to the theme demo site. So, go to Appearance >> Menus >> “All pages” menu and change the URL of the “Forum” menu item: this one <http://www.okthemes.com/vilandemo/forums/> with your site URL.**

**Then, you must set the permalinks to Post name for the Forum page to work.**

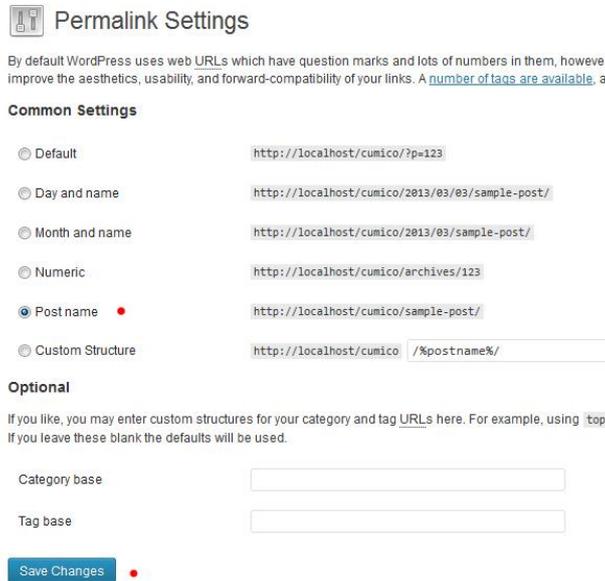
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## Setting permalinks

You can setup your custom permalinks from “**Settings >> Permalinks**”.

The recommended setting is “**Post name**”, select it and hit **Save changes**.



**Permalink Settings**

By default WordPress uses web URLs which have question marks and lots of numbers in them, however improve the aesthetics, usability, and forward-compatibility of your links. A [number of tags are available](#), a

**Common Settings**

Default `http://localhost/cumico/?p=123`

Day and name `http://localhost/cumico/2013/03/03/sample-post/`

Month and name `http://localhost/cumico/2013/03/sample-post/`

Numeric `http://localhost/cumico/archives/123`

**Post name** `http://localhost/cumico/sample-post/`

Custom Structure `http://localhost/cumico /%postname%/`

**Optional**

If you like, you may enter custom structures for your category and tag URLs here. For example, using `top` if you leave these blank the defaults will be used.

Category base

Tag base

**Save Changes**

## Install the theme in other language

First you have to install WordPress in your specific language. Go to **wordpress.org**, download and install WordPress in your language like you normally would.

For translation the theme comes with a .PO file which can be found in **/lang/vilan.po**

To translate that file into your language you need to make a copy and name it with your language tag. For example let's translate the theme in Dutch.

1. Make a copy of **vilan.po** and name it **de\_DE** (language tag for Dutch)
2. Open the file you created with Poedit ([www.poedit.net](http://www.poedit.net))
3. After opening you will see a column with the original strings. Click on each of them and translate them in the box below it.
4. After you made the translation save the file and copy it in **/lang/**
5. Now you have to instruct WordPress to use that file
6. Open **config.php** from WordPress root and find the line **define ('WPLANG', '');**
7. Change that line of code with your newly create po file. Like this:

```
define ('WPLANG', 'de_DE');
```

8. Save and you're done!

*Here are a couple of video tutorials to help you get started:*

<http://www.wpexplorer.com/videos/translating-your-WordPress-theme>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Z86Rld7K1c>

## General instructions (!important)

### How to create a page

Go to “Pages >> Add new”.

Each page has specific options **under the editor**, like page **Page Header Options**, **Page Header Slideshow**, **Page Layout Options** and **Page Footer Options**, which helps you to configure the page as you need. Also, every page supports a header image which can be displayed by adding an image in the **Feature image box**.



### Page Header Options

You have the possibility to show/hide the header, page title, breadcrumbs, social media and page description.

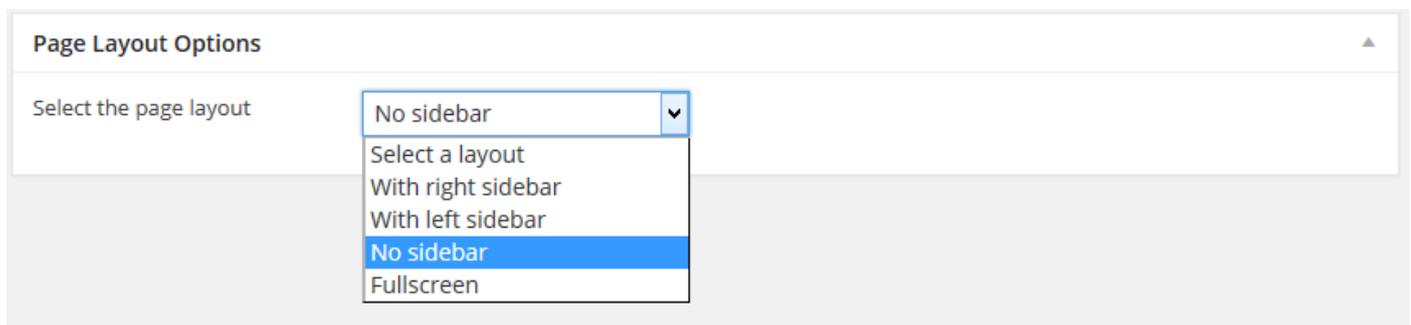
### Page Header Slideshow

You have the possibility to add a **revolution slider** to each page.

### Page Layout Options

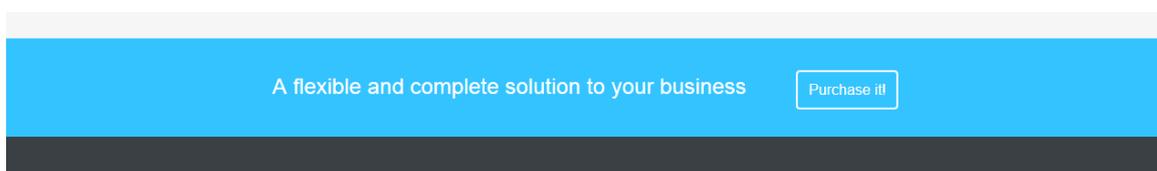
You have the possibility to select the page layout. The difference between “No sidebar” and “Fullscreen” is that the “No sidebar” layout has a maximum width of 1140 while the “Fullscreen” layout inherits the size of the screen.

Fullscreen layout is used for image, parallax, video background in combination with Visual Composer. For example the Homepage has a fullscreen screen layout.



### Page Footer Options

You have the possibility to add **message box** to each page footer.

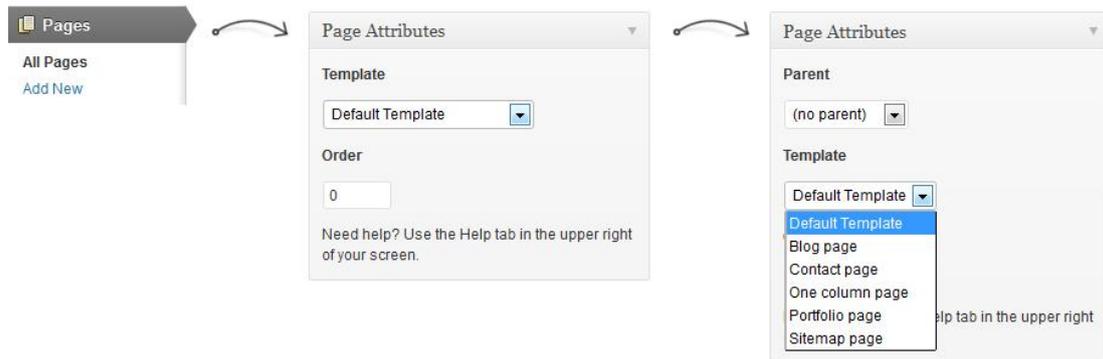


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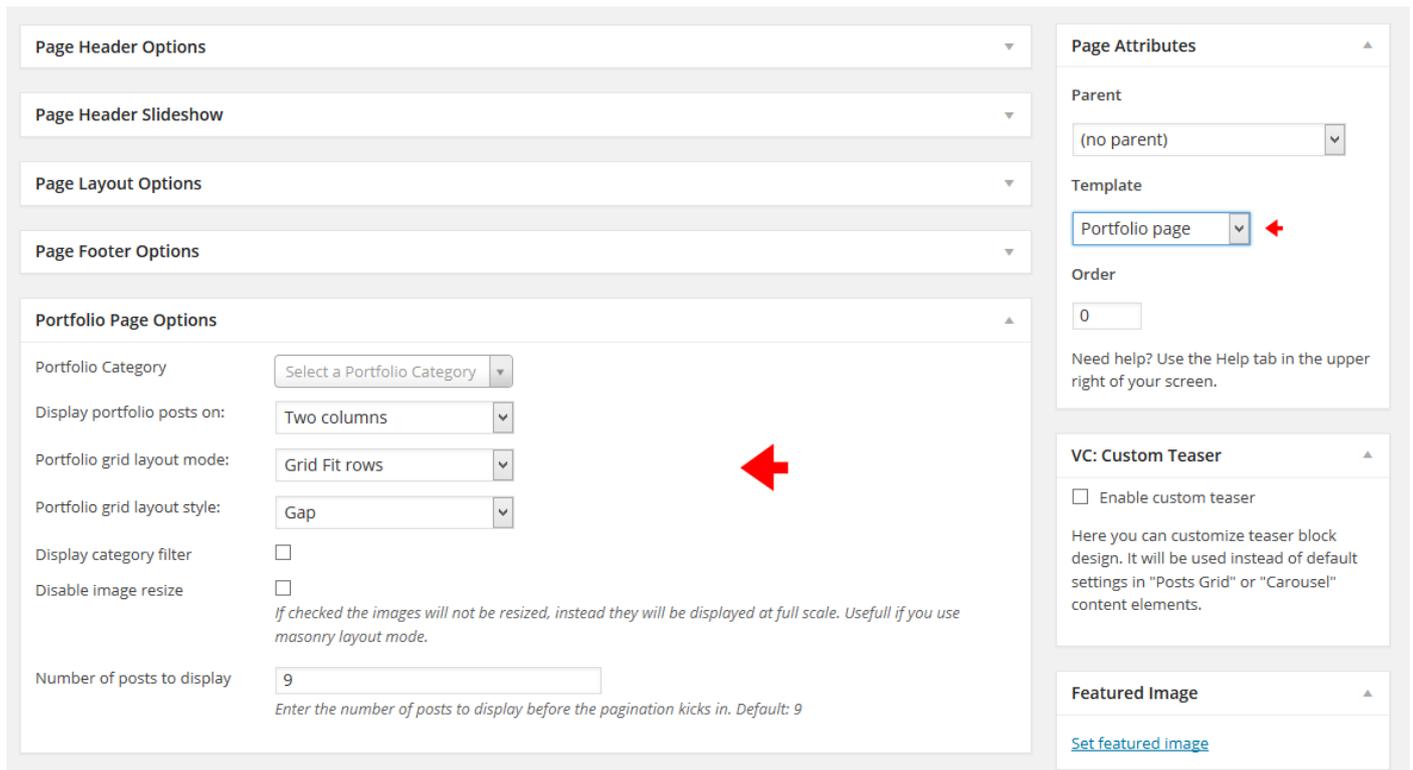
## How to create a page template (Portfolio, Team, Testimonials, Contact)

This theme uses custom post types to display specific page templates and posts. Each page template is created by selecting a page template from **Page attributes** panel.



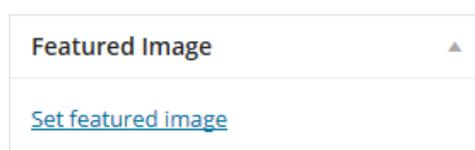
After you select a page **template**, specific options will appear **under the editor**. Some of these are general options (displayed on every page) and some are template specific.

See below the options for the portfolio page template, the image is self-explanatory.



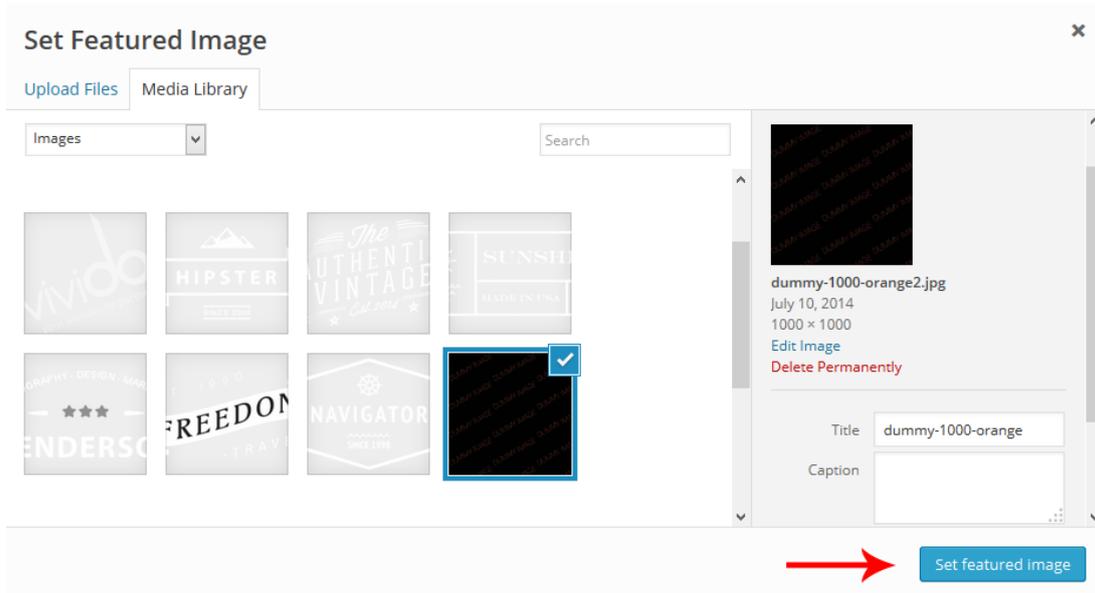
## How to insert a featured image (in posts, pages or custom post types)

**Each page and post** has the possibility to display a featured image. The panel that allows you to upload a featured image looks like this and it's located in the bottom right hand side of the main panel, under **"Page attributes"**:



To upload an image, click on **"Set featured image"** link. The default media popup will appear.

Click on **“Set featured image”** after you upload your image. See below.

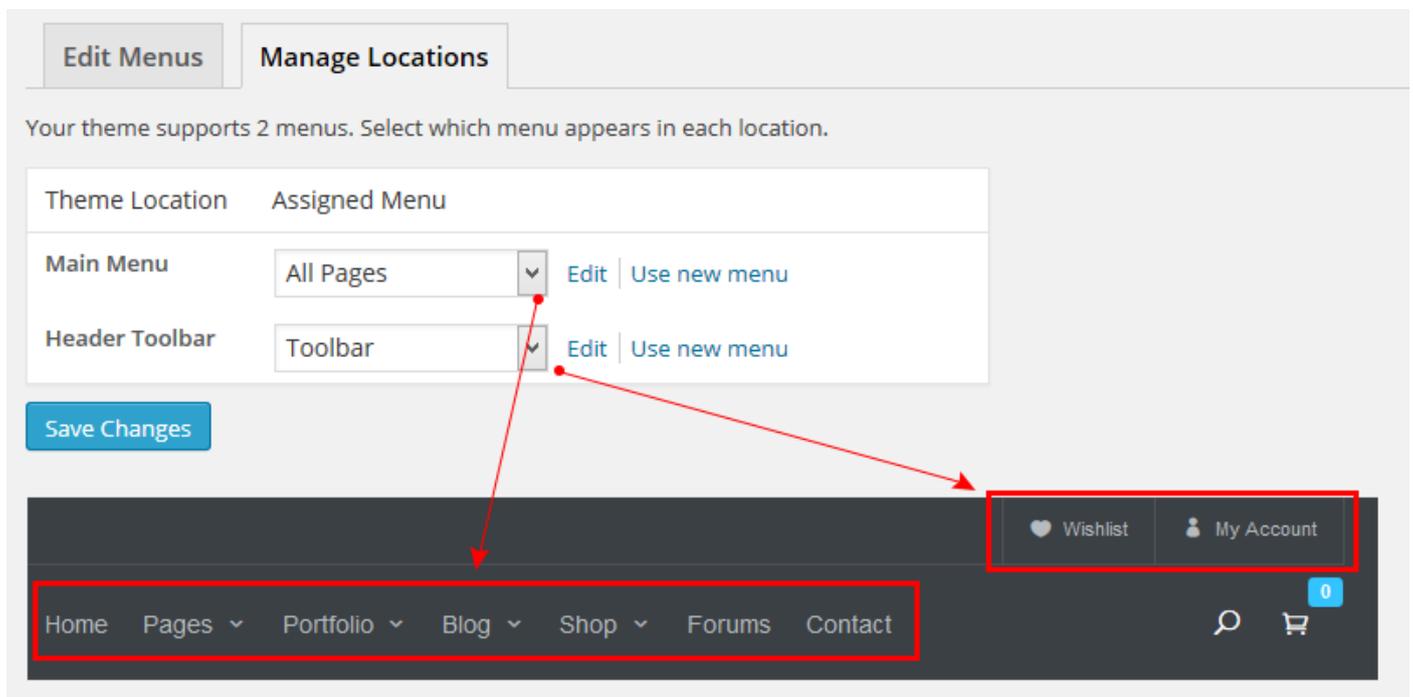


### Working with the menu

You can create a menu by going to **“Appearance>>Menus”**.

The theme has **2 menu locations**.

- First menu is the theme main menu
- Second menu is the theme header toolbar menu



To setup a new menu follow the steps bellow.

- Go to **Appearance >> Menus**
- Click on **“Create a new menu”** link
- Give it a name, for example **“Demo”** then click on **“Create menu”**

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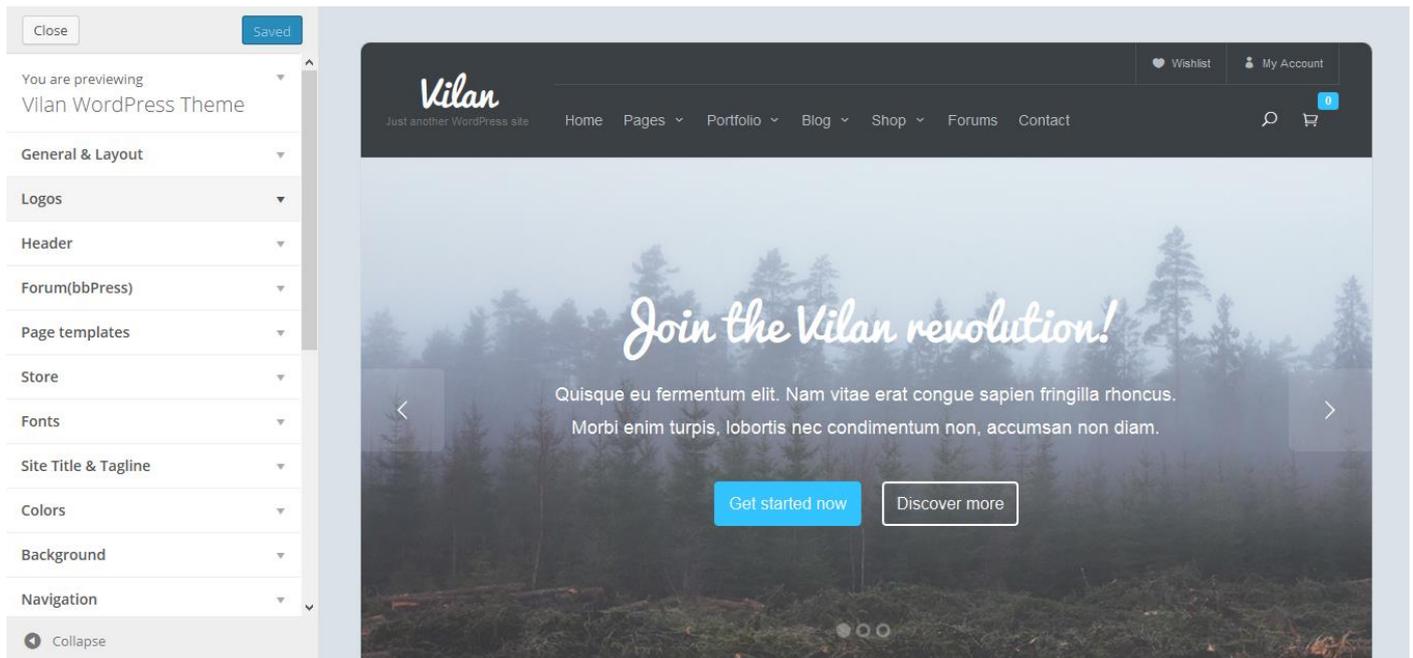
- Then, add whatever pages/posts/categories you need and click save. Tip: To create a submenu drag the menu items to the right.
- Assign the menu to the location you want from **“Menu setting”** panel at the bottom of the page, for example **“Main Menu”** (see the image bellow)

- To add an icon to the menu item, follow the steps bellow:
  - Then, expand a menu item and insert the icon class in the Title Attribute.

- The full list of icons available can be found here: <http://www.elegantthemes.com/blog/resources/elegant-icon-font> (Scroll to “Complete List Of Class Names”)

## Theme options

All theme options are available in the default WP customize page. You can access it from **“Appearance >> Customize”**.



**Note: After each change wait until the page loads again ~1 sec (refresh).**

## Create a portfolio item

1. Go to **“Portfolio>> Add new item”**
2. You have the possibility to insert title, image, short description, project information and others. You have instructions for the image dimensions also (look on the right side of the page, under Featured image).

*NOTE: For retina display upload the images double in size.*

### Portfolio image size guidelines ▲

**Recommended sizes:**  
2 columns : 555x585px  
3 columns : 360x390px  
4 columns : 263x293px

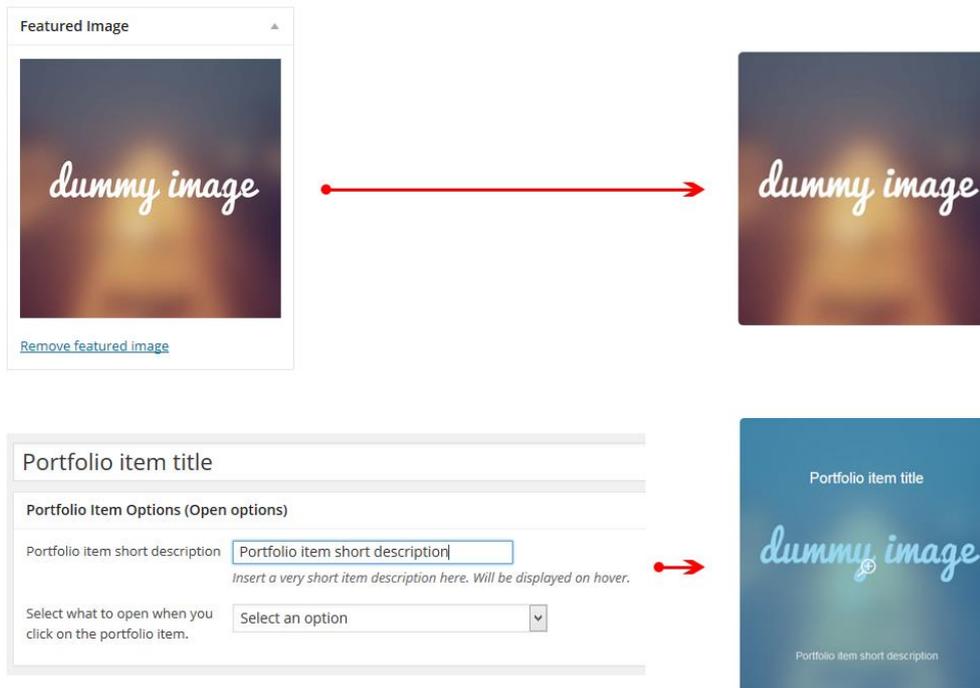
*You can upload images of any size, they will be automatically resized to these values.*

**For retina support, upload your images at twice the size, the script will do the rest. For example, instead of 360x390px you must upload 720x780px.**

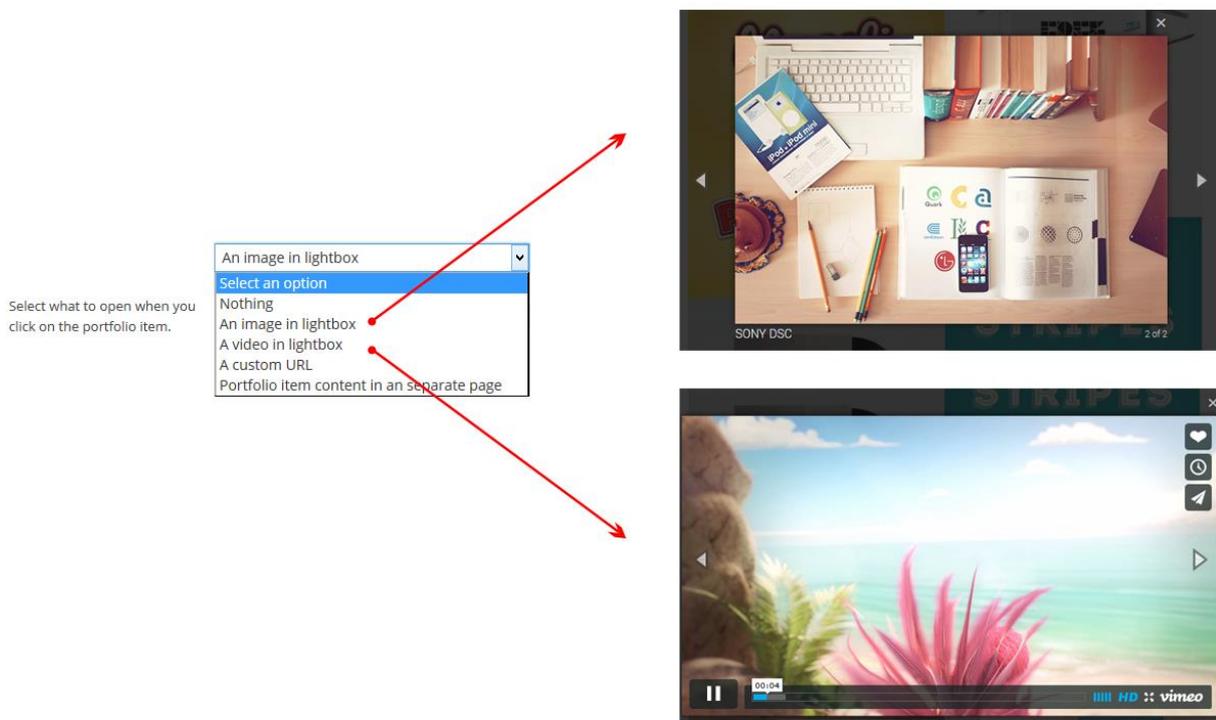
**Portfolio inner page slider size:**  
The images can be of any size, for best display use 1140px for the width and the height can be as much as you want.  
*This images are not resized, instead are displayed at full scale.*

3. You have a lot of possibilities on how to display your portfolio, so please see the image below for the corresponding modules.

**Featured image, title and short description**

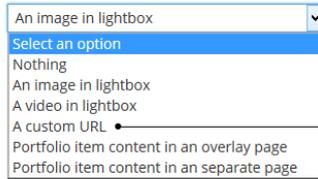


**On click open an image or a video in lightbox**



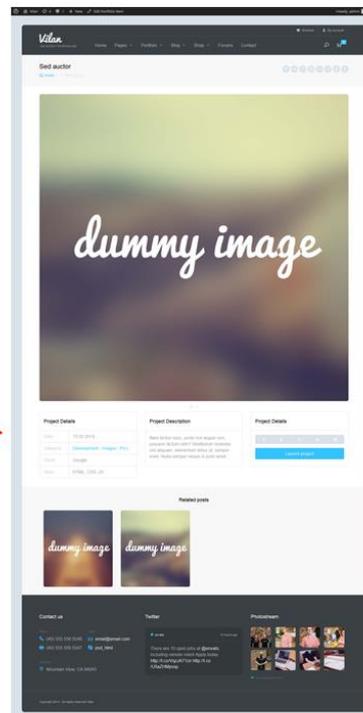
## On click open a custom URL

Select what to open when you click on the portfolio item.



## On click open content in a separate page

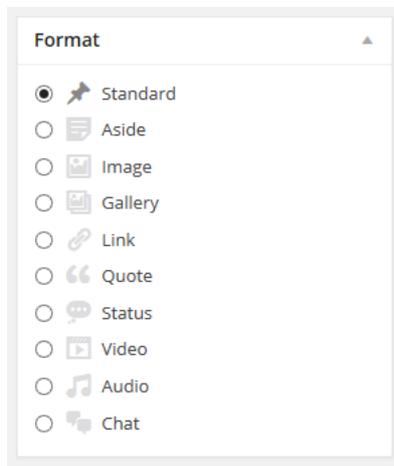
Select what to open when you click on the portfolio item.



## Create a blog post

Go to **“Posts”** and create a new blog post:

- Go to **“Posts>> Add new”** (the classic way to create a post in WordPress )
- Insert a title, content and add a featured image
- Choose the post format. Select **“Standard”** for the normal blog post.

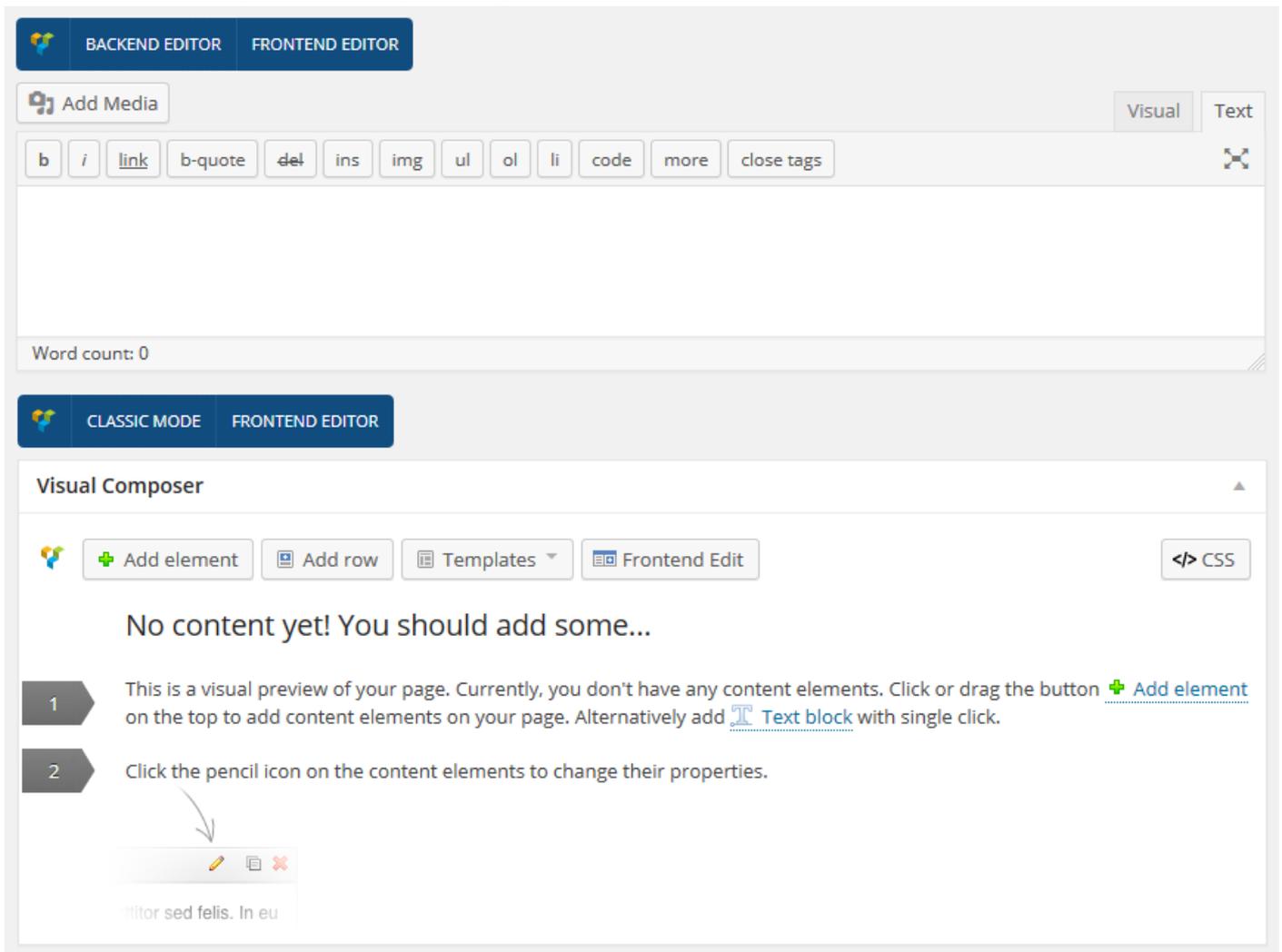


Hit Publish and you're done.

### How to work with Visual Composer

Visual composer page builder helps you create advanced layouts in minutes and it's an essential part of the theme. Videos and tutorials can be found here: <http://vc.wpbakery.com/video-academy/>

- To enable visual composer create/open a page and click on "Backend Editor".



- To insert a row click on "Add row" and to insert an element click on "Add element".



+ Add element

Add row

Templates

Frontend Edit

- How to add a **fullscreen parallax image (applies for video background as well)**.

- First of all your page layout must be set as “Fullscreen”.
- Then click on Add row and open the row settings (click on the little pencil icon)



- Upload your background image, then from the “Row type” select **Section** and then **In Container**, that means that the background will be fullscreen and everything else you add on the row will be at the container width (1170px)

Row Type

Section

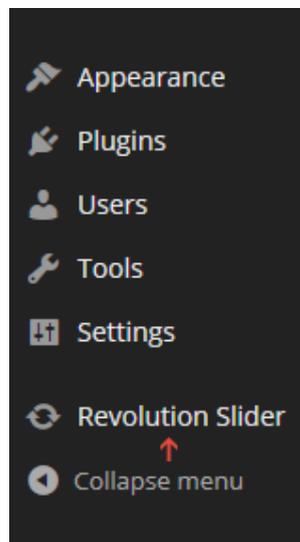
Type

In Container

- Then, click on **Use parallax effect** and insert the height, usually 70-80% of the image size.
- That’s it.

## Revolution Slider

You can find Revolution Slider at the bottom of the admin left panel.

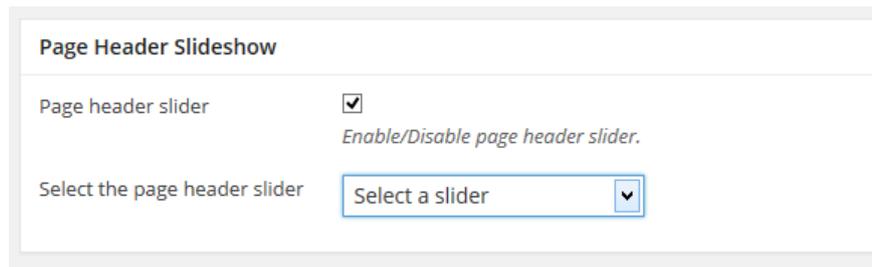


To create a slider follow the steps below:

- Click on “**Create new slider**” button
- Give the slider a title and an alias and play with the options.
- Once you’re done hit “Create slider” and then click “Edit slides” to create the slides.
- This is a very powerful slider with lots of options and effects. You can see a presentation and a video tutorial of the slider here: [http://www.themepunch.com/codecanyon/revolution\\_wp/](http://www.themepunch.com/codecanyon/revolution_wp/)

## Use Revolution Slider in page header

You can choose to display a slider in the header of a page. To accomplish that open a page and scroll down until you find “Page Header Slideshow” panel. You can select your slideshow from there.



## Use Revolution Slider in a page with Visual Composer

You can insert a slideshow in the body of a page with the help of Visual Composer. Open a page, click on Visual Composer (Add element) and select “Revolution slider”.

## Configuration of WooCommerce

- A very detailed documentation of WooCommerce can be found here: <http://docs.woothemes.com/document/woocommerce/>
- To personalize your WooCommerce installation, go to **Appearance > Customize > Store** tab

## Configuration of bbPress

- A very detailed documentation of how to set the forum can be found here: <https://codex.bbpress.org/step-by-step-guide-to-setting-up-a-bbpress-forum/>
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## Create a homepage and a blogpage

### 1. Create the pages

- a. Go to Pages >> Add new
- b. Give them a title; for example **Homepage** and **Blog**
- c. From Page Layout, select “Fullscreen” or “No sidebar” for the homepage and “Right/Left sidebar” for the blog page
- d. Activate visual composer and add your elements (applies only for the Homepage)

### 2. Link the pages

- a. Go to “Settings >> Reading”
- b. Select “A static page”
- c. For “Front page” choose “Homepage”
- d. For “Posts page” choose “Blog”
- e. Save and you’re done

## Widget areas

This theme has **11** widget areas (go to “Appearance >> Widgets” to configure them).

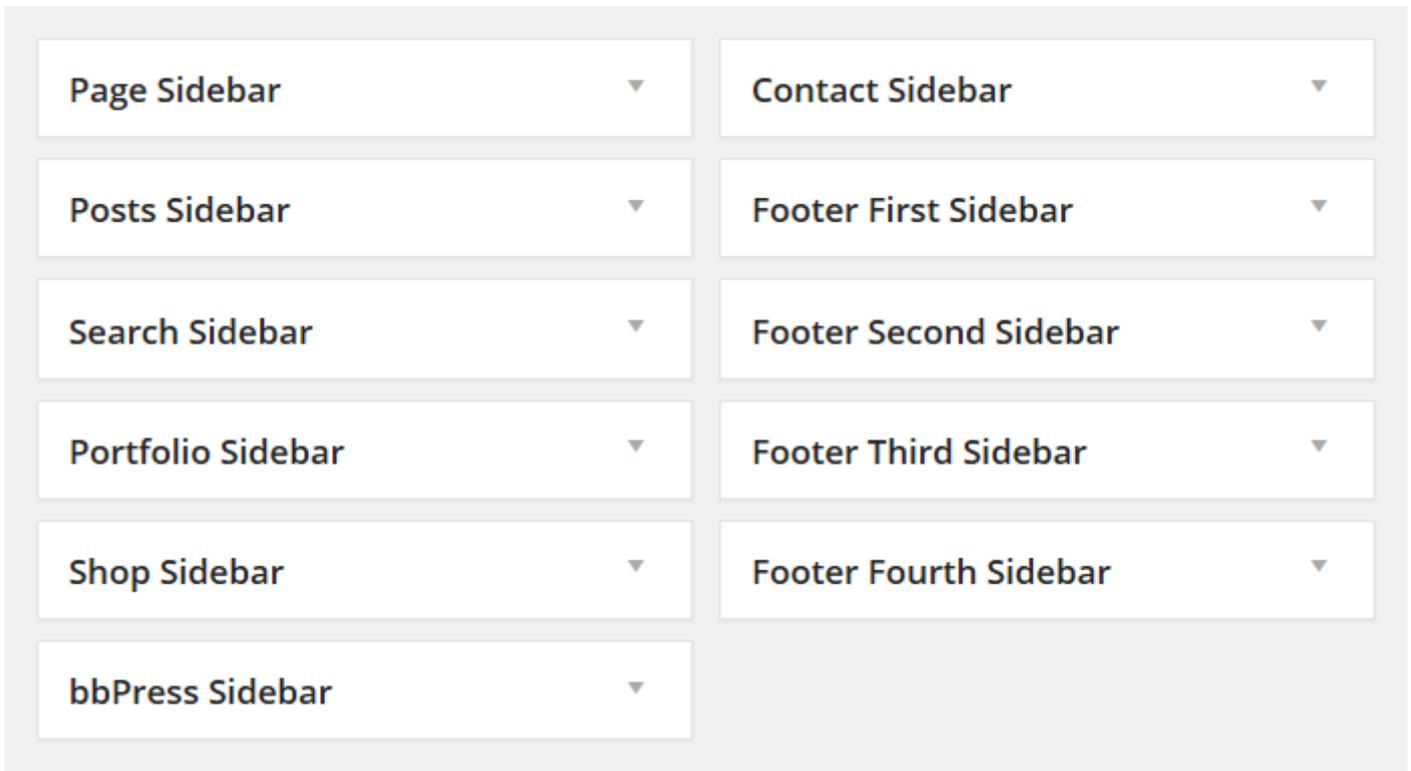
Those areas are:

1. Page Sidebar – used on pages
2. Posts Sidebar – used on blog posts
3. Search Sidebar – used on search page
4. Portfolio Sidebar – used on portfolio page
5. Shop Sidebar - used on WooCommerce Shop page (if woocommerce is installed)

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6. bbPress Sidebar - used on bbPress forum page (if bbPress is installed)
7. Contact Sidebar - used on contact page
8. First Footer Sidebar – used in footer
9. Second Footer Sidebar – used in footer
10. Third Footer Sidebar – used in footer
11. Fourth Footer Sidebar – used in footer



The theme comes with 4 custom widgets:

1. Social icons Widget
2. Twitter widget
3. Flickr widget
4. Contact widget

## Troubleshooting

### If you receive a weird message at install

Like: Parse error: syntax error, unexpected T\_OBJECT\_OPERATOR in /home3/(...)/wp-content/themes/VILAN/index.php on line xxx

**This means you have a PHP version installed on the server lower than PHP 5.x.x. Please upgrade to a newer version.**

### Sources and Credits

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- **Metaboxes** - <http://www.deluxeblogtips.com>
- **Bootstrap** - <http://www.bootstrap.com>
- jquery.gmap.min.js - <http://labs.mario.ec/jquery-gmap/>
- jquery.isotope.min - <http://isotope.metafizzy.co/> (commercial licence purchased)
- jquery.hoverIntent.js - [http://users.tpg.com.au/j\\_birch/plugins/superfish/](http://users.tpg.com.au/j_birch/plugins/superfish/)
- jquery.magnific-popup.min.js - <http://dimsemenov.com/plugins/magnific-popup/documentation.html>
- jquery.validate.min.js - <http://jqueryvalidation.org/>
- jquery.videobackground.js - <https://github.com/georgepaterson/jquery-videobackground>
- owl.carousel.min.js - <https://github.com/OwlFonk/OwlCarousel>
- retina.min.js - <http://imulus.github.io/retina.js/>
- jquery.jplayer.min.js - <http://jplayer.org/latest/developer-guide/>
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#### Page composer used:

- Visual composer - <http://codecanyon.net/item/visual-composer-page-builder-for-wordpress/242431>

#### Premium slideshow used:

- Revolution Slider - <http://codecanyon.net/item/slider-revolution-responsive-wordpress-plugin/2751380>

#### Fonts used:

- Pacifico (only for Logo and Slideshow heading) - <https://www.google.com/fonts/specimen/Pacifico>

#### Icons used:

- Icon fonts - <http://www.elegantthemes.com/blog/resources/elegant-icon-font>
- Social icons - <http://drinchev.github.io/monosocialiconsfont/>

#### Images

- <https://unsplash.com/>
- <http://www.imcreator.com/free>
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Once again, thank you so much for purchasing this theme. As I said at the beginning, I'd be glad to help you if you have any questions relating to this theme. No guarantees, but I'll do my best to assist. If you have a more general question relating to the themes on ThemeForest, you might consider visiting the forums and asking your question in the "Item Discussion" section.