

GetSimple theme: *SimpleFolio*

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1. Template files & used plugins

The PixelStudio theme comes with the following template files:

- template.php

The theme uses the following plugins (all come bundled with the theme and are available for download from <http://getsimplethemes.com> as well):

- GST ThemeSettings (required)

All the GST (GetSimpleThemes) plugins come bundled with the theme.

2 Installation instructions

When installing the PixelStudio theme, please start by uploading the following plugin(s) to the “/plugins” folder of your GetSimple site:

- GST ThemeSettings (required)

After uploading the plugins, you can upload the folder named “PixelStudio” to the “/theme” folder of your GetSimple installation.

At this point you can start adding content and creating pages. If you'd like to have a fast start and have the exact same content and pages as the PixelStudio demo site (<http://pixelstudio.getsimplethemes.com>), you can copy all the files from the “data” folder to the “/data” folder within your GetSimple site. To prevent problems with your site, you should copy the data files BEFORE you upload your site to your remote hosting and the data files should only be used for a NEW site (mixing in the files with an existing GetSimple site will most likely cause all sorts of problems).

To make getting the site up and running easier, the PixelStudio theme will automatically create a Component named “PixelStudio footer”; this component contains the HTML displayed in the footer of the theme.

3. The Theme Settings Panel

The theme settings panel is found under “Settings” > “GST ThemeSettings”. Below you’ll find a description of each item on the settings panel.

Favicon link

Here you can enter the URL to an image to use as your favicon icon. This should either be a .ico or a .png file (we recommend a PNG file of 32 x 32 pixels).

Site name

This is the logo text that will show on the top left of your site.

Site name font size

Depending on how long/short your site’s name is, you might want to adjust the font size to make sure the layout doesn’t break. Please enter ONLY DIGITS here, no “px”.

Subject for message to site owner

When a user uses the form on the contact page, two emails will be send out. One to the site owner and one for confirmation to the user. This field will set the subject for the email to the site owner.

Subject for message to site user

This will be the subject for the confirmation email to the user of the contact form.

Body text for message to site user

This will be the body text for the confirmation email to the user of the contact form.

On-page confirmation message

Message shown to the user after the form has been submitted.

4. Theme Structure

The PixelStudio theme is a bit different from most other (GetSimple) themes out there; where most themes will show content spread over several pages, PixelStudio places ALL content on a single page and navigates through the content using Javascript.

You will not have to worry about the technicalities of the theme structure though, and you should create your pages just as you would with any other GetSimple theme.

The theme is optimized to display the following items (pages): welcome, portfolio, and certain number of regular pages and a contact page. These pages should be created within the GetSimple admin panel.

Two pages/items need some special attention; this would be the “welcome”, “portfolio” and “contact” page. More on these pages below

5. Welcome

This will ALWAYS be the same as your homepage (page with slug “index”). This page/item will show some regular content, next to this content a slideshow animation and below it three columns with some text.

The regular content is the page’s main content. The slideshow can be created by creating a page named “slideshow” and make it a child of the homepage (page with slug “index”). Within the slideshow page you should place either just images, or images which are linked (images wrapped within `<a>` tags). Other HTML will break the slideshow! The images used are best sized to 390 x 242 pixels.

The three columns can be created simply by adding more child pages to the homepage. The columns are ordered by their named (“column1” comes before “column2”). To create the h5 headings with the small icons in them, simply add one of the provided icons (within the /data/uploads folder, files “icon1.png”, “icon2.png” or “icon3.png”) or add an icon of your own.

6. Portfolio

This page should be added by creating a new page named “Portfolio”. Within this page you should create an unsorted list (using the GetSimple text editor) and place an image as each element within this list. To link an image, simply create a regular link for the image (add style class “prettyPhoto” to have the link open in a nice modal lightbox window). Finally, add the following classes to the unsorted list: “clearList” and “portfolio”.

7. Other pages

Other pages are simply added by adding new pages. To have a sidebar appear for these pages, simply add a child page the page (the child page can have any name).

8. Contact

The PixelStudio theme comes with a fully functional contact form.

When a user uses the contact form, two separate emails are send out: one to the site owner and a confirmation email to the user of the form. The subjects for both emails and body text for the confirmation email to the user can be configured through the theme settings panel.