

Horizontal scroll area for displaying code snippets on tumblr

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I am trying to set up my tumblr theme using prettify and css customization to display python code snippets. I am brand new to css, but I have it pretty much working as I want now (thanks to scouring the web for examples). However, the text is wrapping when too long and I have not been able to figure out how to get it to just display a scroll bar instead.

```
pre code {  
    overflow-x: scroll;  
    overflow-y: hidden;  
    display: block;  
    line-height: 1.6em;  
    font-size: 11px;  
}
```

Here is what I am using right now. I found some pages saying I wanted to add white-space: to here, but after going through all the options, none of them seem to work. The option nowrap makes it so there are no linebreaks whatsoever.

If I add width: 2000px or something huge, it stops the text from wrapping but it gets written over top of everything and no scroll bar appears.

Thanks for the help.

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Are you sure your HTML is correct? I.e. you have `<pre><code>...</code></pre>`. Because this works for me...jsbin.com/aIADiKo/1/edit – [davidpauljunior](#) Dec 6 '13 at 1:32

Pretty sure. The code snippets are successfully getting formatted by prettify. Interesting to see that it is in fact working on that page. I wonder if the tumblr theme is somehow overriding the behaviour. The one difference I notice between your code on that page and the code in the theme is there is no container set anywhere. Not sure if that makes any difference. I should also mention, I am still just set to the default tumblr theme Optica. – [Mathieson](#) Dec 6 '13 at 1:41

1 Ah ok, it's the theme I think. I just previewed the theme and tested adding your HTML. In your CSS, try adding: `white-space: pre; word-wrap: normal;` – [davidpauljunior](#) Dec 6 '13 at 3:19

Perfect! Thanks! Never would have gotten that. Gotta look up what is special about that combination now. Thanks a bunch! – [Mathieson](#) Dec 6 '13 at 3:34

1 @MikeSamuel with `word-wrap: normal` and `white-space: pre` the text will *only* wrap when there are line breaks in the content. When using `word-wrap: break-word` and `white-space: pre`, behaviour seems to be the same as `break-word` and `pre-wrap` combo. I've listed them all out here. jsbin.com/OSuNatep/1/edit – [davidpauljunior](#) Dec 10 '13 at 5:37

1 Answer

In order to get it work with coloring syntax.

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Go to: Customize > Custom Theme (Edit HTML)

And in your HTML template code add this just before head tag:

```
<style type="text/css" media="screen">

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  overflow-x: scroll;
  overflow-y: hidden;
  display: block;
  line-height: 1.6em;
  font-size: 11px;
  white-space: pre;
  word-wrap: normal;
}
</style>

<!-- For Syntax Highlighting -->
<script src="http://code.jquery.com/jquery-latest.min.js"></script>
<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="http://google-code-prettify.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/src/prettify.css"></link>
<script src="http://google-code-prettify.googlecode.com/svn/trunk/src/prettify.js">
</script>
<script>
  function styleCode() {
    if (typeof disableStyleCode != 'undefined') { return; }

    var a = false;

    $('code').each(function() {
      if (!$('this').hasClass('prettyprint')) {
        $('this').addClass('prettyprint');
        a = true;
      }
    });

    if (a) { prettyPrint(); }
  }

  $(function() { styleCode(); });
</script>
```

answered Sep 26 '14 at 8:24



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