
Bootstrap

What is Bootstrap?

- Bootstrap is a free **front-end framework** for faster and easier web development.
- Bootstrap **includes HTML and CSS based design templates** for typography, forms, buttons, tables, navigation, modals, image carousels and many other, as well as optional JavaScript plugins.
- Bootstrap also gives you the ability to easily create responsive designs (creating web sites which automatically adjust themselves to look good on all devices, from small phones to large desktops).

Bootstrap 4 is the newest version of Bootstrap; with new components, faster stylesheet and more responsiveness..

Bootstrap 4 supports the latest, stable releases of all major browsers and platforms.

Why Use Bootstrap?

- **Easy to use:** Anybody with just basic knowledge of HTML and CSS can start using Bootstrap.
- **Responsive features:** Bootstrap's responsive CSS adjusts to phones, tablets, and desktops.
- **Mobile-first approach:** In Bootstrap, mobile-first styles are part of the core framework.
- **Browser compatibility:** Bootstrap 4 is compatible with all modern browsers (Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer 10+, Edge, Safari, and Opera)

Bootstrap 4

There are two ways to start using Bootstrap 4 on your own web site.
You can:

- Include Bootstrap 4 from a CDN (Content Delivery Network)

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="https://maxcdn.bootstrapcdn.com/bootstrap/4.5.2/css/bootstrap.min.css">
```

- Download Bootstrap 4 from getbootstrap.com

1. **Add the HTML5 doctype** : include the HTML5 doctype at the beginning of the page, along with the lang attribute and the correct character set:

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <head>
    <meta charset="utf-8">
  </head>
</html>
```

2. **To make your webpage responsive** : add the following <meta> tag inside the <head> element

```
<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1">
```

The **width=device-width** part sets the **width of the page** to follow the **screen-width of the device** (which will vary depending on the device).

The **initial-scale=1** part sets the initial **zoom level** when the page is first loaded by the browser.

3. **Containers**: Bootstrap 4 also requires a containing element to wrap site contents. There are two container classes to choose from:

The **.container class** provides a responsive **fixed width container**

The **.container-fluid class** provides a **full width container**, spanning the **entire width of the viewport**

Create web page

.container

.container-fluid

Bootstrap 4 Grid System

Allows up to 12 columns across the page.

The columns can be grouped together to create wider columns:

span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1	span 1
span 4				span 4				span 4			
span 4				span 8							
span 6						span 6					
span 12											

Grid Classes

- .col- (extra small devices - screen width less than 576px)
- .col-sm- (small devices - screen width equal to or greater than 576px)
- .col-md- (medium devices - screen width equal to or greater than 768px)
- .col-lg- (large devices - screen width equal to or greater than 992px)
- .col-xl- (xlarge devices - screen width equal to or greater than 1200px)

The classes above can be combined to create more dynamic and flexible layouts.

- The classes for **text colors** are: .text-muted, .text-primary, .text-success, .text-info, .text-warning, .text-danger, .text-secondary, .text-white, .text-dark, .text-body (default body color/often black) and .text-light:
- **Background Colors:** .bg-primary, .bg-success, .bg-info, .bg-warning, .bg-danger, .bg-secondary, .bg-dark and .bg-light.

Bootstrap 4 Tables

- The `.table` class adds basic styling to a table
- `.table-striped` class adds **zebra-stripes** to a table
- `.table-bordered` class adds **borders on all sides of the table and cells**
- `.table-hover` class adds **a hover effect** (grey background color) on table rows
- `.table-dark` class adds a **black background** to the table
- `.table-borderless` class **removes borders** from the table
- `.table-sm` class makes the **table smaller** by **cutting cell padding in half**
- `.table-responsive` class **adds a scrollbar** to the table when needed

- `.rounded` class adds rounded corners to an image.
- ``
- `.rounded-circle` class shapes the image to a circle.
- `.img-thumbnail` class shapes the image to a thumbnail
- `.float-right` and `.float-left` to align the right and left respectively.
- `.mx-auto` (margin:auto) and `.d-block` (display:block) to center align the image
- `.img-fluid` class to the `` tag: to create responsive images

- `.alert` class, followed by one of the contextual classes `.alert-success`, `.alert-info`, `.alert-warning`, `.alert-danger`, `.alert-primary`, `.alert-secondary`, `.alert-light` or `.alert-dark`
- `<div class="alert alert-success">`
 `Success!` Indicates a successful or positive action.
 `</div>`

Bootstrap 4 Buttons

- `<button type="button" class="btn">Basic</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-primary">Primary</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-secondary">Secondary</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-success">Success</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-info">Info</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-warning">Warning</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-danger">Danger</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-dark">Dark</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-light">Light</button>`
`<button type="button" class="btn btn-link">Link</button>`

- A navigation bar is a navigation header that is placed at the top of the page
- A standard navigation bar is created with the `.navbar class`, followed by a responsive collapsing class: `.navbar-expand-xl|lg|md|sm` (stacks the navbar vertically on extra large, large, medium or small screens).
- To add links inside the navbar, use a `` element with `class="navbar-nav"`. Then add `` elements with a `.nav-item` class followed by an `<a>` element with a `.nav-link` class
- **Vertical Navbar:** Remove the `.navbar-expand-xl|lg|md|sm` class to create a vertical navigation bar
- `.bg-color` classes to change the background color of the navbar (`.bg-primary`, `.bg-success`, `.bg-info`, `.bg-warning`, `.bg-danger`, `.bg-secondary`, `.bg-dark` and `.bg-light`)

Useful Reference Links

- <https://www.w3schools.com/bootstrap4>