

# Custom Document

A custom `Document` can update the `<html>` and `<body>` tags used to render a [Page](#). This file is only rendered on the server, so event handlers like `onClick` cannot be used in `_document`.

To override the default `Document`, create the file `pages/_document.js` as shown below:

```
1  import { Html, Head, Main, NextScript } from 'next/document';
2
3  export default function Document() {
4    return (
5      <Html>
6        <Head />
7        <body>
8          <Main />
9          <NextScript />
10       </body>
11     </Html>
12   );
13 }
```

The code above is the default `Document` added by Next.js. Custom attributes are allowed as props. For example, we might want to add `lang="en"` to the `<html>` tag:

```
<Html lang="en">
```

Or add a `className` to the `body` tag:

```
<body className="bg-white">
```

`<Html>`, `<Head />`, `<Main />` and `<NextScript />` are required for the page to be properly rendered.

## Caveats

- The `<Head />` component used in `_document` is not the same as `next/head`. The `<Head />` component used here should only be used for any `<head>` code that is common for all pages. For all other cases, such as `<title>` tags, we recommend using `next/head` in your pages or components.
- React components outside of `<Main />` will not be initialized by the browser. Do *not* add application logic here or custom CSS (like `styled-jsx`). If you need shared components in all your pages (like a menu or a toolbar), read [Layouts](#) instead.
- `Document` currently does not support Next.js [Data Fetching methods](#) like `getStaticProps` or `getServerSideProps`.

## Customizing `renderPage`

**Note:** This is advanced and only needed for libraries like CSS-in-JS to support server-side rendering. This is not needed for built-in `styled-jsx` support.

For [React 18](#) support, we recommend avoiding customizing `getInitialProps` and `renderPage`, if possible.

The `ctx` object shown below is equivalent to the one received in `getInitialProps`, with the addition of `renderPage`.

```
1 import Document, { Html, Head, Main, NextScript } from 'next/document';
2
3 class MyDocument extends Document {
4   static async getInitialProps(ctx) {
5     const originalRenderPage = ctx.renderPage;
6
7     // Run the React rendering logic synchronously
8     ctx.renderPage = () =>
9       originalRenderPage({
10        // Useful for wrapping the whole react tree
11        enhanceApp: (App) => App,
12        // Useful for wrapping in a per-page basis
13        enhanceComponent: (Component) => Component,
14      });
15
16     // Run the parent `getInitialProps`, it now includes the custom `renderPage`
17     const initialProps = await Document.getInitialProps(ctx);
18
```

```

19     return initialProps;
20 }
21
22 render() {
23     return (
24         <Html>
25             <Head />
26             <body>
27                 <Main />
28                 <NextScript />
29             </body>
30         </Html>
31     );
32 }
33 }
34
35 export default MyDocument;

```

**Note:** `getInitialProps` in `_document` is not called during client-side transitions.

## TypeScript

You can use the built-in `DocumentContext` type and change the file name to `./pages/_document.tsx` like so:

```

1  import Document, { DocumentContext, DocumentInitialProps } from 'next/document';
2
3  class MyDocument extends Document {
4      static async getInitialProps(
5          ctx: DocumentContext,
6      ): Promise<DocumentInitialProps> {
7          const initialProps = await Document.getInitialProps(ctx);
8
9          return initialProps;
10     }
11 }
12
13 export default MyDocument;

```