PlanetStyles: Volare Theme Documentation

Theme Version: 1.0.3
phpBB Version: 3.2.6+

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Thank you for purchasing phpBB Volare Theme by PlanetStyles - we think you've made a great choice!

This document contains everything to help you install and configure the Theme. If you need help with anything, check out the "Support" section below :)

Installation

There are 3 components to install in total:

1. Volare front-end Theme
2. Volare control panel extension
3. Volare sidebars extension

Installing Theme

1. In the download folder, locate: **1. Theme Files/Volare.zip**
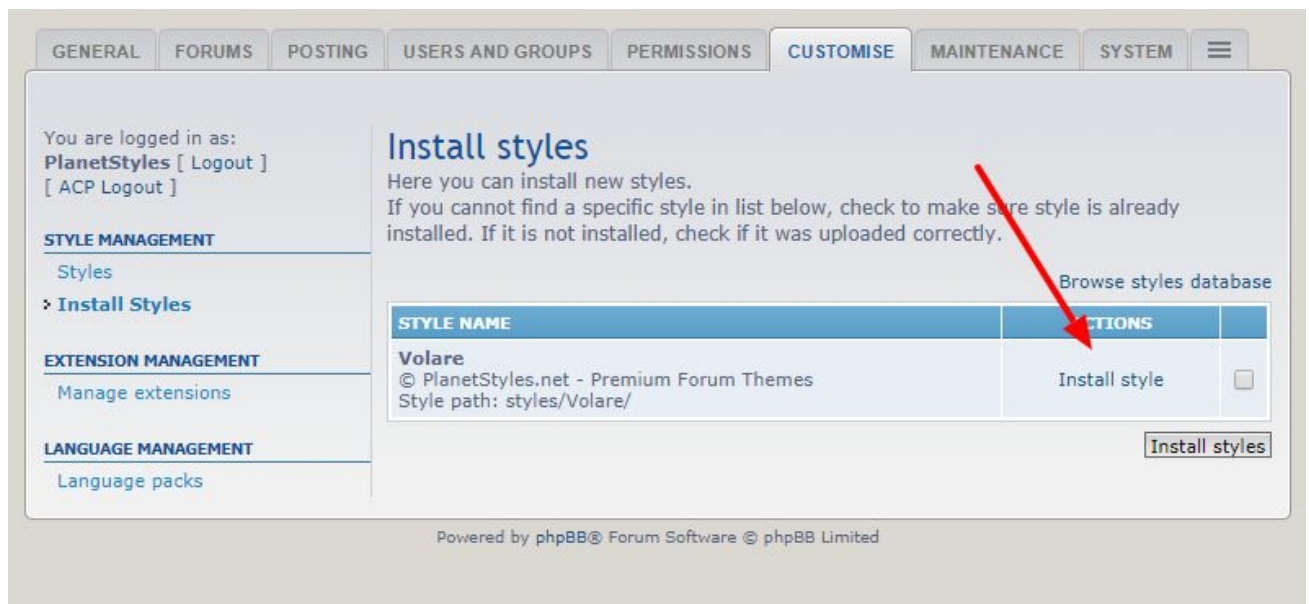
2. Using a file manager, upload the "Volare.zip" folder to:

   `http://www.yourforum.com/styles/`

3. Extract it inside the "styles" directory, so your full file path should be:

   `http://www.yourforum.com/styles/volare/`

   At this stage, check the file path. The theme contains a "style.cfg" file which <u>must</u> be found in the following location:-

   `http://www.yourforum.com/styles/volare/style.cfg`

4. Open phpBB → Administration Control Panel → Customise (tab) → Install Styles

5. Next to the Volare theme, click "Install Style"

6. Open phpBB → Administration Control Panel → General (tab) → Board Settings

7. [Optional] Set Volare to Default board style. Here you can also choose to override any other installed styles your members may have selected

8. Install the 2 necessary extensions (steps below)

Installing the extensions

1. In the download folder, locate: **2. Extension Files/ext/planetstyles.zip**

2. Using a file manager, upload the "planetstyles.zip" folder to:

   http://www.yourforum.com/ext/

3. Extract it inside the "ext" directory, so your full file path should be:

   http://www.yourforum.com/ext/planetstyles/

   At this stage, check the file paths. There are **2 extensions**, each has their own composer.json file

   http://www.yourforum.com/ext/planetstyles/volare/composer.json
   http://www.yourforum.com/ext/planetstyles/volaresidebars/composer.json

4. Open phpBB → Administration Control Panel → Customise (tab) → Manage extensions

5. Next to the Volare theme extensions, click "Enable"
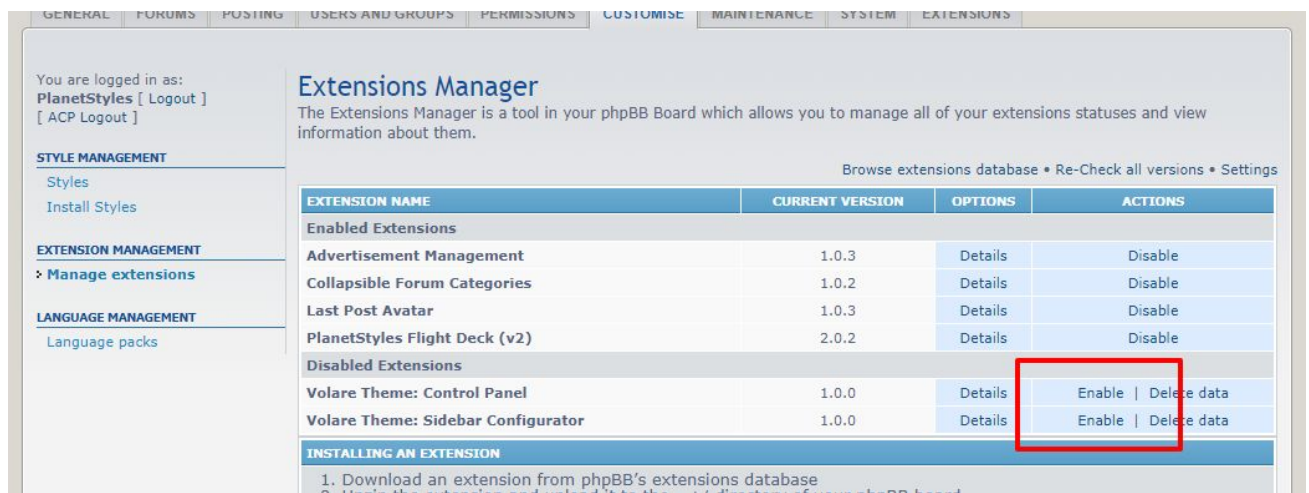
6. Open phpBB → Administration Control Panel → Extensions (tab) to begin configuration

The Volare theme uses [Avatar in last post](#), [Advertisement Management](#) and [Collapsible Forum Categories](#) extensions in live product demos.

Sidebar Extension Settings

There is no need to edit any template code. The Volare Theme extensions will automatically add and remove all features.

The following table demonstrates the various options available to you. Check below for 'Code Examples'.

Sidebar Extension

Feature	Options	Preview
Login / Profile Widget	Yes | No	**Logged out:**
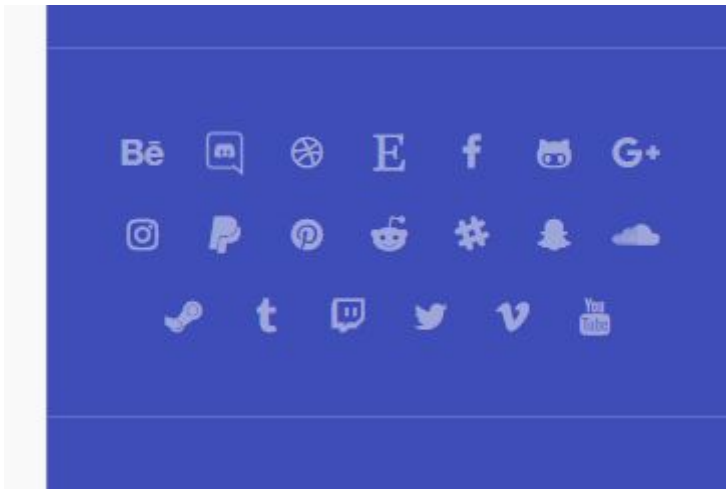
		  Logged in:
Sidebar Location	Global | Index Only	n/a

Social Icons	Yes | No	

Width (pixels)	Enter a custom value	**Right sidebar:** Default value 300px Important: If using fixed-width content here (eg: Images), add **40px** to account for left and right padding.
Content	Enter custom HTML/JS/CSS	WARNING: **USE AT YOUR OWN RISK.** Entering insecure code (particularly JavaScript) here may compromise your forum. It is your responsibility to check any code you enter here is safe and secure. Check "Code examples" below for some safe code. Custom code being entered: Output:

Social Links

All social links allow you to input a custom link. Social icons won't appear in the right sidebar unless something is entered its input in the control panel.

You should enter the full link (including http:// or https://), not just the account name:
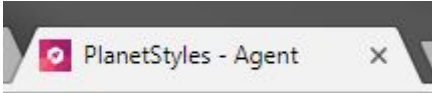

Sidebar Code Examples

You can use the following code examples to add content with your sidebar. You don't have to use these, but these will help you get started.

Output	Code

* Anything	**Any code you enter you should be wrapped with:**
	
	`<div class="sidebarWidget">`
	`    * Your code here *`

	``` </div> ``` **Text-only sections should be wrapped with:** ``` <p>Wrap text in p tags</p> ```
[A link](http://www.planetstyles.net)	``` A link ```

Unordered list:
   ● Of options
   ● Just
   ● Like
   ● This
 	
Ordered list:
   1. A numbered list
   2. Looks
   3. Like this
	``
	
	     - List item 1
	     - List item 2
	     - List item 3
	
	     - List item 1
	     - List item 2
	     - List item 3
	
	``

An image: 	``` ```
Ad Grid:	``` <div class="sidebarWidget gridWidget"> </div> ```
Sticky Section	``` <div class="sidebarWidget stickyWidget"> This will always stay in view, even when the browser scrolls down </div> ```

Custom JS / CSS:

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Entering insecure code (particularly JavaScript) here may compromise your forum. It is your responsibility to check any code you enter is safe and secure.

Custom CSS	``` <style type='text/css'> /* Your css here */ </style> ```

| Custom JavaScript | ```
<script type='text/javascript'>
    // Your JS here
</script>
``` |
| --- | --- |

Theme Settings

Logo image	
	Upload a logo image:
	1. Click "browse" and locate image
	Note: Your image should not exceed 64px in height. Larger images will scale down to 64px proportionately
	2. Scroll down and click submit
	Note: If logo image won't upload, check ACP → Attachment Settings and ensure your logo size / format is permitted within the attachment settings.
	Delete the logo image:
	1. Delete the file path in "logo image location" field
	2. Scroll down and click submit
Favicon	
	Upload a favicon:
	1. Click "browse" and locate image
	Note: Your image should be square.
	2. Scroll down and click submit
	Delete the favicon:
	1. Delete the file path in "favicon location" field
	2. Scroll down and click submit

Guest Welcome Background		
	Upload a guest welcome background image:	
	1. Click "browse" and locate image	
	Note: Scroll down for further guest background image settings	
	2. Scroll down and click submit	
	Note: If logo image won't upload, check ACP → Attachment Settings and ensure your logo size / format is permitted within the attachment settings.	
	Delete the background image:	
	1. Delete the file path in "guest welcome background location" field	
	2. Scroll down and click submit	
Base Colour	Amber Black Blue Blue Grey Brown Cyan Deep Orange Deep Purple Green Grey Indigo Light Blue Light Green Lime Orange Pink Purple Red Teal	Sets the base colour of of your forum (navbar / sidebar backgrounds and all link / button colours)

Allow end users to pick own colour scheme	Yes | No	
		If enabled, presents the above menu to all users. The user's choice will be remembered by a cookie and their choice is only visible to them.
Forum layout	List | Grid	**List view:** **Grid View:**

To set grid background images:

1. Upload your image(s) to the "images" folder in your phpBB installation, eg:

   ```
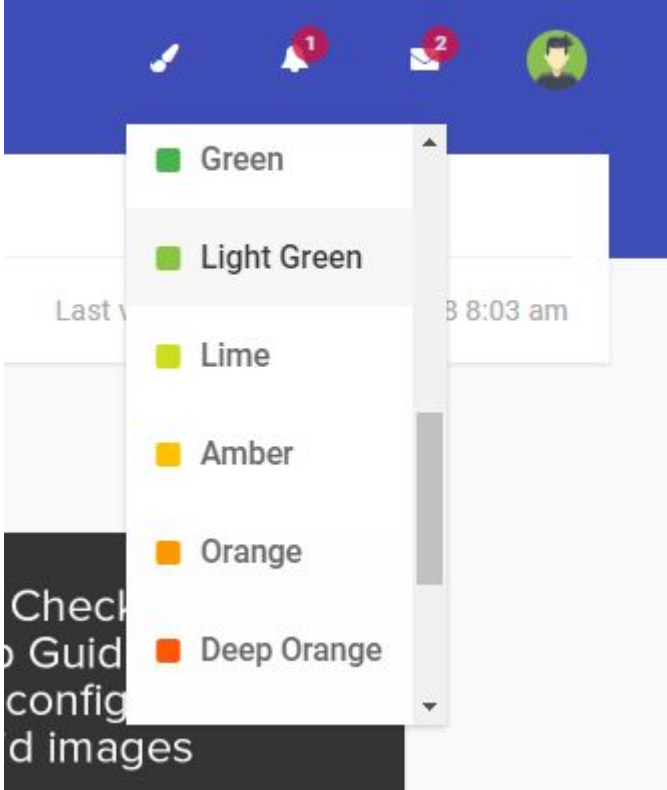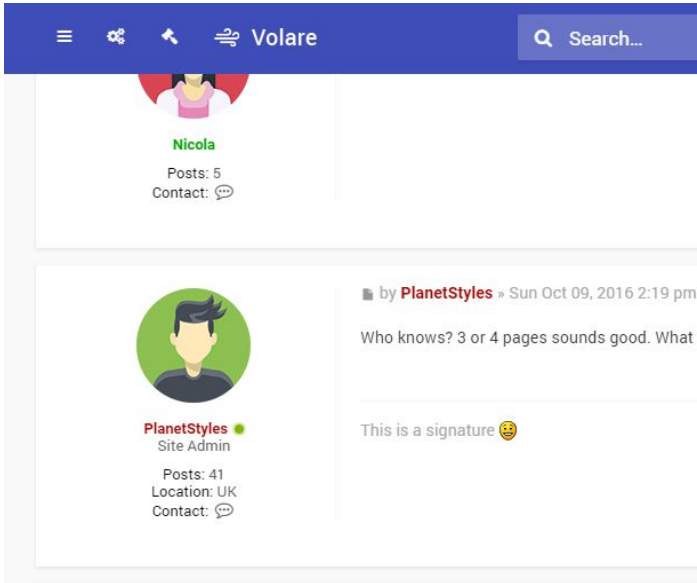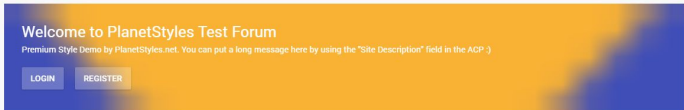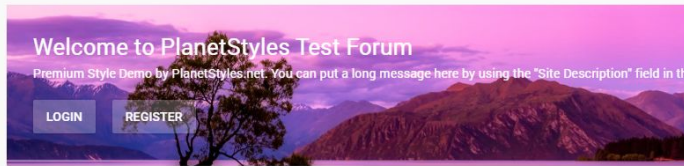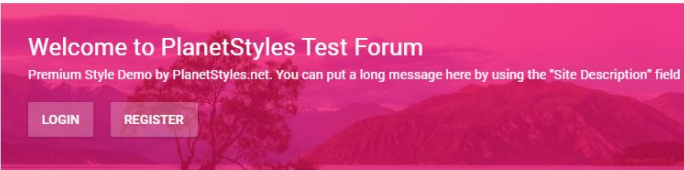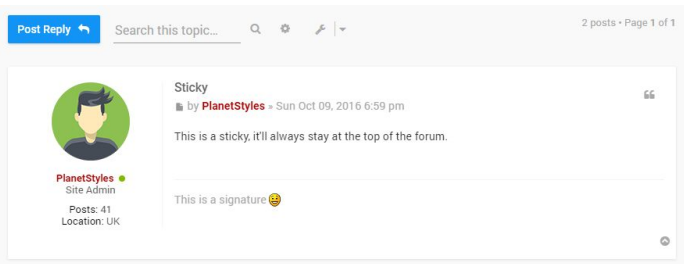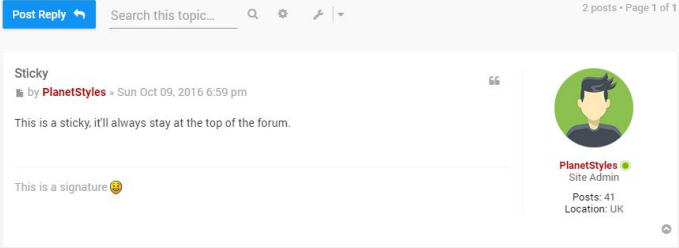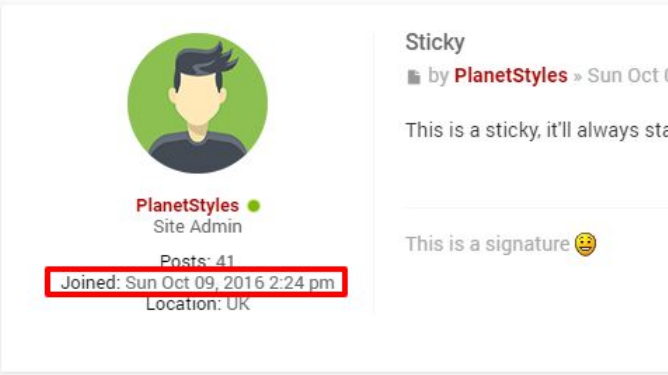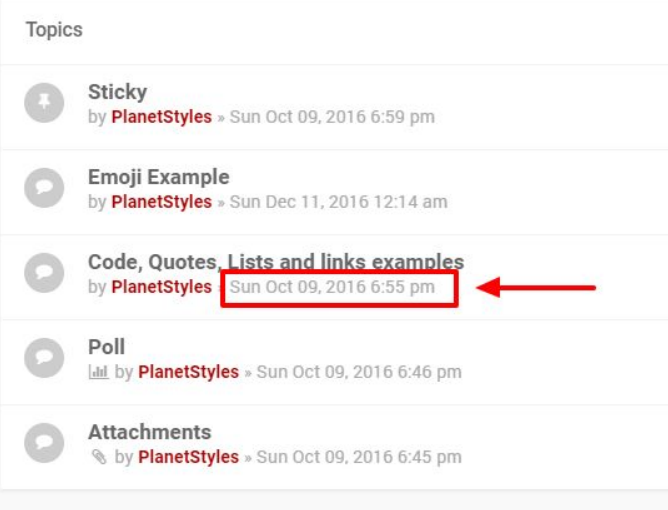   http://www.yourforum.com/images/picture.jpg
   ```

2. Open ACP → Forums (tab)

3. Browse to the forum you'd like to add the image to

4. Click the green 'settings' icon (⚙)

5. In "forum image", type the path to your uploaded image.

   Note: Do not include the board URL. Eg: In the example above,you would only need to enter:

   ```
   images/picture.jpg
   ```

   There is no recommended image size as the image will scale automatically. However, landscape orientation is recommended.

Disable Animations?	Yes | No	By default, CSS animations are used to fade in menus, forum categories and some content boxes. Select "yes" here to disable these animations.
Enable sticky header?	Yes | No	When enabled, the forum header will remain at the

		top of the browser viewport as the user scrolls down.
Enable guest welcome message?	Yes | No	Displays a welcome message to **guests** only. **Note:** The sitename and welcome message are taken from the "Sitename" and "Description" entered into: ACP → Board Settings
Guest welcome background repeat	repeat-x | repeat-y | no-repeat	Defines the axis along which the background image will repeat (n/a if 'cover' option below is enabled) **Repeat-x:** **Repeat-y:**
Guest welcome	1. Left top	Sets the starting position of the background image if

background position	2. Left center 3. Left bottom 4. Center top 5. Center center 6. Center bottom 7. Right top 8. Right center 9. Right bottom	one is uploaded
Stretch guest background to fill space	Yes | No	Stretches the background image to fill all available space. **Note:** This option overrides the repeat option above
Guest welcome background opacity	0.1 → 1	Sets transparency level for guest welcome background image. 0 = Fully transparent , 1 = no transparency **Example, setting: 1** **Example, setting 0.3:**
Postprofile side	Left | Right	Sets which side the profile information displays next to posts and private messages: **Left:** **Right:**

Show 'joined' date on post profiles?	Yes | No	
Show topic creation date on viewforum and search results?	Yes | No	

Responsive Information

For compatibility with devices such as mobiles and tablets, we have implemented the following responsive behaviours:

Device	Behaviour
Desktop	
Average size tablet (horizontal)	● Small header reconfiguration
Average size tablet (vertical) & phones	● Sidebar moved below content ● Header reconfiguration

Support

We are happy to provide support to all verified PlanetStyles Customers with an active support grant.

Before you contact us, we ask you check the commonly reported issues below:

Issue	Resolution
User avatars aren't showing up on the index page	Install this extension: https://www.phpbb.com/customise/db/extension/avatar_in_last_post/
Theme is not showing in ACP "Install Styles" page	Check that the files have been uploaded to the right place. The file path should be: `http://www.yourforum.com/styles/volare/` And this folder should contain "style.cfg" and some other folders.
Extension(s) is/are not showing in ACP after upload	Check that the files have been uploaded to the right place. The file paths should be: `http://www.yourforum.com/ext/planetstyles/volare/` `http://www.yourforum.com/ext/planetstyles/volaresidebars/` Each folder should contain "composer.json" and some other folders.
Extensions aren't working on my style	Check that Volare has prosilver set as its parent. Check: ACP → Customise (tab) → Styles → Volare → Details Set "inherits from" to "Prosilver" and submit.
Extensions look weird	There may (but shouldn't) be some conflicts with some extensions due to the complex nature of Volare. Contact us with a link to your forum & let us know which extension you're using so we can look into this. However, we can't guarantee a fix.

If your support grant has expired, we require you to renew this prior to contacting us. You can do this by visiting the Volare item page again on ThemeForest and selecting the appropriate option from the right sidebar.

To contact us:

1. Log in to your Envato / CodeCanyon Account
2. Browse to the Volare Support page:
   https://themeforest.net/item/volare-material-design-phpbb-32-theme-responsive/21578782/support
3. In your message, please include:

- A link to your forum
- A description of your problem
- Temporary ACP login details (Optional, but really helpful)
- Any other information you think we'd find helpful

Nearly all problems can be resolved in 1 reply if test login details and a link to your forum are included in your message.