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MAKE YOUR OWN WEBSITE

12 Steps to Build your
Own WordPress Site



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Who am I



Hi There! I'm Srinivas Vanamala (**Srini**) and I been in love with WordPress since the day I saw and used it for my first website. I knew this is one of the wonders in Internet Space.

Now, what I am doing is just spreading this love to everyone. It is FREE & Abundant!

About me - I am from a place where World's Best Biryani food is made - Hyderabad and I love to be called as a **Hyderabadi Techie**. I love to **Teach WEB Development Skills**. I also hold a Master Degree in Mathematics. Also, I have got 15+ year of experience in this web development area.

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- [YouTube](#)
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- [Facebook Group](#) (My Free Courses)

How this book can help you

If you like to know how to build website with WordPress then this book will help you to learn that skill.

This book is written for people who has no previous experience in building website with WordPress. So, you might find some of the steps are too details. That is made on purpose so that anyone can learn to build their own website.

How to use this Book

All the steps are divided into 12 steps and each step is further sub divided to show further steps inside it.

Found Typos & Broken Link

If you find any typing errors and grammatical mistakes in this book, then please let me know using this email address.

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What you'll need to build Website

- Access to a Computer with Internet
- Valid Email ID
- Valid Phone Number
- Credit or Debit card with VISA / MASTER
- Idea on Domain Name
- Some Knowledge on how to follow instructions and do the steps as shown.

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Step 1: Register & Purchase a Domain Name

Hello and Welcome to **Step 1: Register and Purchase a Domain Name**. This is the first step you will do before you start building your website.

In this step 1, you will do the following things:

- Create an Account with Domain Name Provider (goDaddy.com)
- After all the verifications steps, you will login into the goDaddy Dashboard.
- You will then search for your required Domain Name and see what is available.
- Once you find the Available Domain Name then you make the purchase of that Domain Name.
- After the purchase of the domain name, I will show you how to verify if the domain name purchase is successful.
- After successful purchase of domain name and verification. I will summarize Step 1 by showing the list of things you need to finish before you proceed to step 2.
- In the Reference Section at the last, I will share all the links that will be helpful for your future Reference.

Alright then I know you are excited to find a good name for your dream website. Let's go and hunt for some awesome website name.

Introduction to Domain Name

Okay, so you have decided to build a website for yourself and you have a rough idea on what you're going to do with your website.

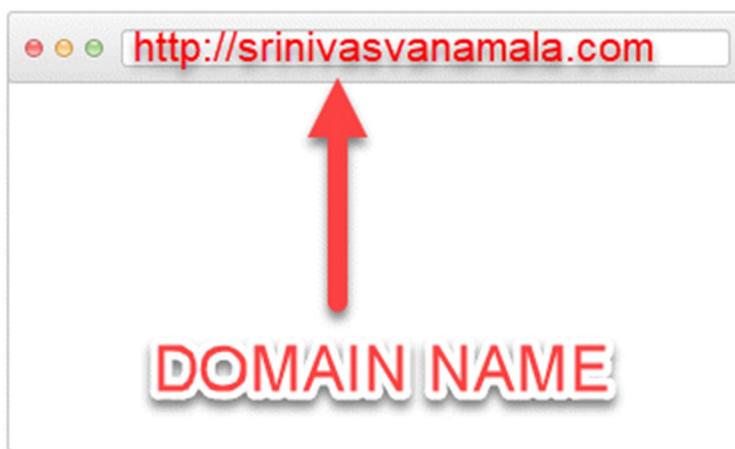
Also, you have decided to use WordPress software on your website.

The First step in building your website is to **purchase a website name**. You need to spend some money to register a good Website name or Domain Name.

What is Domain Name?

Website name is called as **Domain Name**.

Domain name is the name that everyone types in the browser URL bar to visit your site.



Imagine If you have a house then Domain name is the address of your house.

WHAT IS A DOMAIN NAME?

ONE LINER DEFINITION

Domain Name is your Website name that you will type in the browser URL bar to access your website files.

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Why do we need to buy Domain Name?

In Internet, all the computers are connected together, and every computer has a unique number pattern name called as IP address.

It looks like 112.34.234.12

This is the number using which we can identify a computer in the internet and it cannot be duplicated.

It would be too difficult if we have to remember those number and type that long address in browser URL bar.

Instead, we can find a nice name to refer to that specific IP address and find our files on that server.

WHY TO BUY DOMAIN NAME?

Your website files can also be accessed via IP address.

Difficult to Remember

IP ADDRESS
192.74.33.23

Website Files

<http://187.54.33.89/blogs>
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Domain name is the logical English name to your server's IP address which is pointing to a specific location in the server. The location where your website files are stored.

You cannot duplicate the Domain name means if someone has already purchase the domain name then you need to find another name.

So, the first step in this process is to find and register a domain name using which we will access our website files from a specific server.

From Where we can buy Domain Name?

You can buy domain name from the companies who sell them and they are called domain name registrars.

You need to pay for Domain name and the cost will vary from \$2 to \$15 per year. So, you pay every year once.

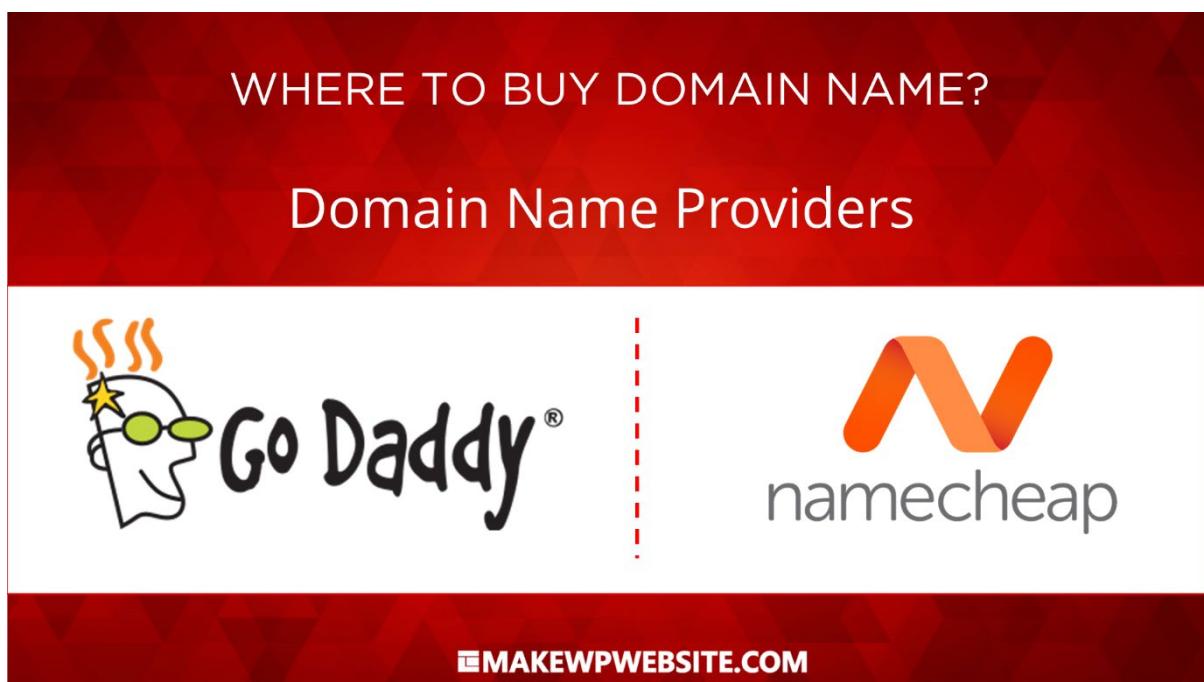
Domain name has expiry date. If you purchase for 1 year then it will expire after 1 year. You need renew it to make sure you still have the name registered under your account.

You can set the renewal to automatic to make sure you won't lose the domain name if it is you like to continue for longer time.

Some of the famous domain name providers are:

- [goDaddy.com](https://www.godaddy.com)
- [Namecheap.com](https://www.namecheap.com)

In this example, you will purchase a domain name from **goDaddy**. But if you like **Namecheap** then you can go ahead and purchase from them.



It is good idea to stick with one Domain Name Provider and manage all your domain name from one place.

So, let's go ahead and create a new account with **goDaddy** and purchase a domain name for them.

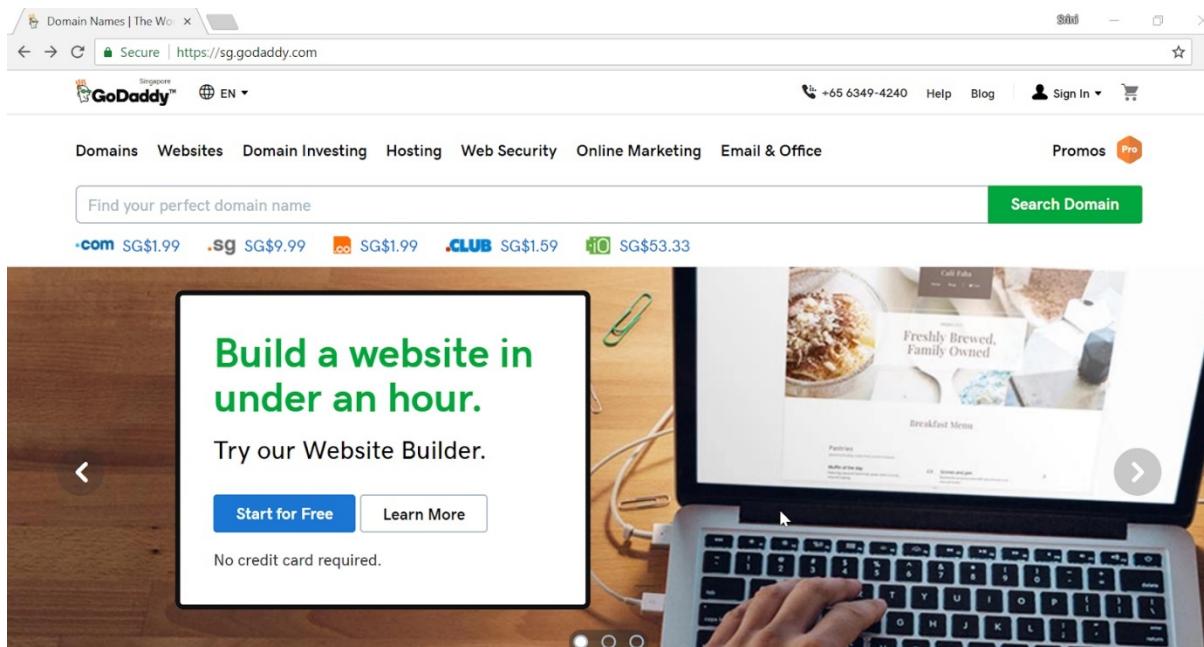
Step 1.1: Register with Domain Name Provider

What you'll do in this step 1.1:

1. **Step 1.1.1:** We will Visit goDaddy Website
2. **Step 1.1.2:** Create a new Account with goDaddy.com with Valid Email ID and Phone number.
3. **Step 1.1.3:** Edit the Account Details
4. **Step 1.1.4:** Secure your account by Enabling Login with SMS option.

Step 1.1.1: Visit goDaddy Website

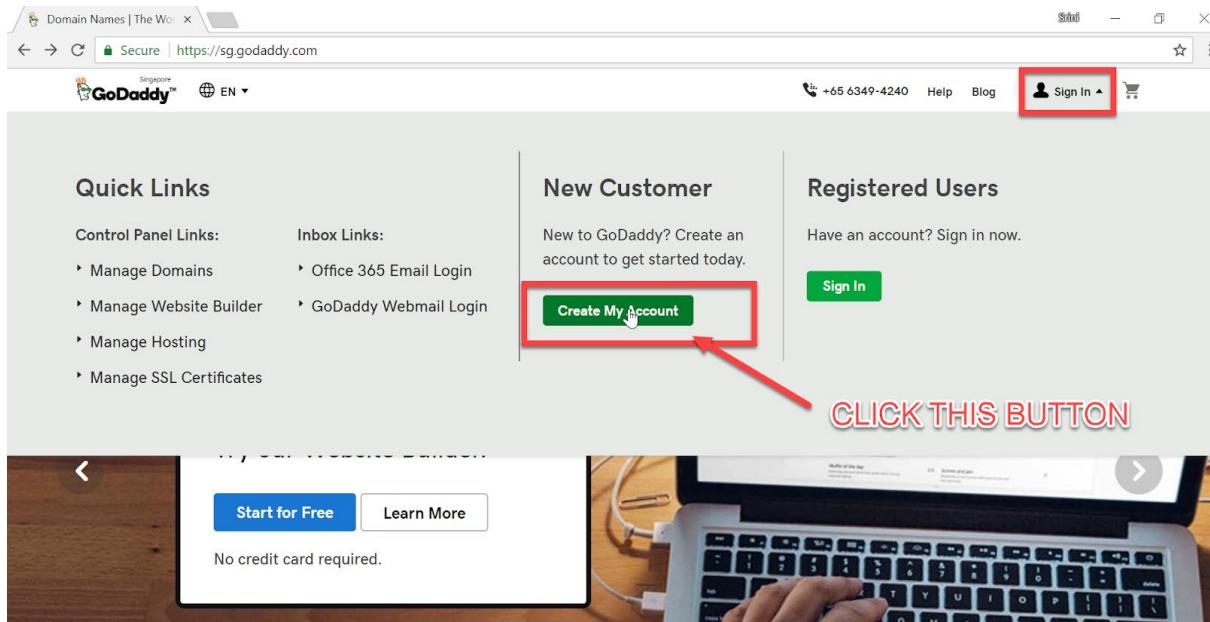
Click this Link: [goDaddy.com](https://sg.godaddy.com)



Do not type sg.godaddy.com instead use the link above so that you will be redirected to right goDaddy page.

Step 1.1.2: Create a New Account with goDaddy

On the Top right side Menu -> Click on Sign In -> Click on Create My Account Button



Next enter the Email ID, Username and 4 digit Support Pin and Click on Create Account.

Make sure you remember the PIN.

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the 'Create Account' form at https://sso.godaddy.com/account/create?realm=idp&path=%2Fproducts&app=account. The form requires input for Email, Username, Password, and Support PIN. Each of these fields is highlighted with a red box. Below the Support PIN field, a note states 'You need this PIN when you contact Support.' The 'Create Account' button is also highlighted with a red box.

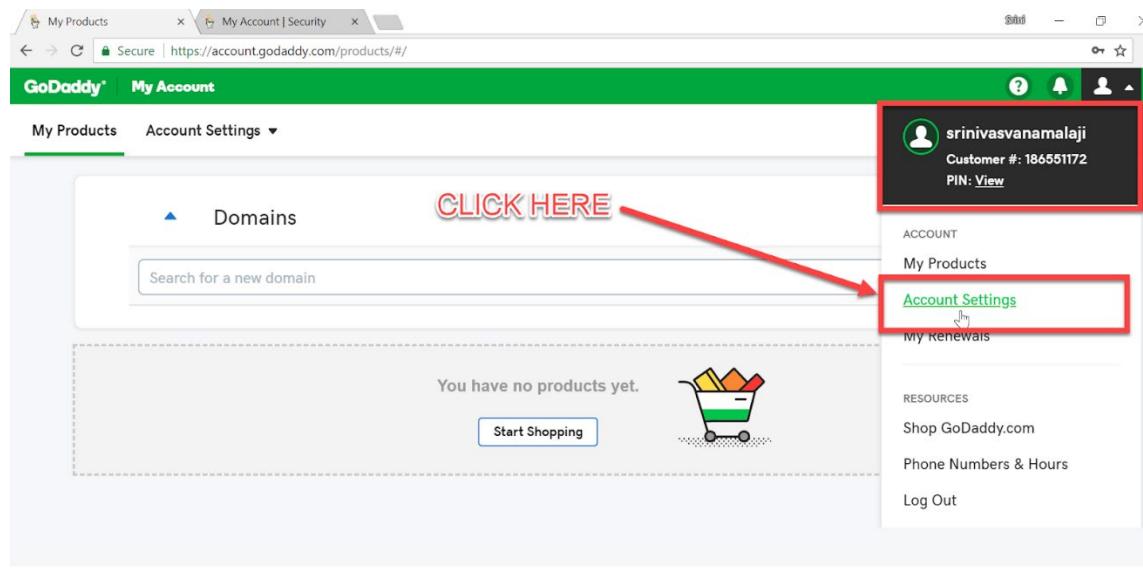
Email	<input type="text" value="srinivasanamalaji@gmail.com"/>
Username	<input type="text" value="srinivasanamalaji"/>
Password	<input type="password" value="....."/> Show
Support PIN	<input type="text" value="7890"/> Show
Create Account	

Once the account is created you will be automatically logged in the Dashboard.

Step 1.1.3: Update the Account Details

Make sure you have updated your account details before you make any purchase.

Click on Account Details Link

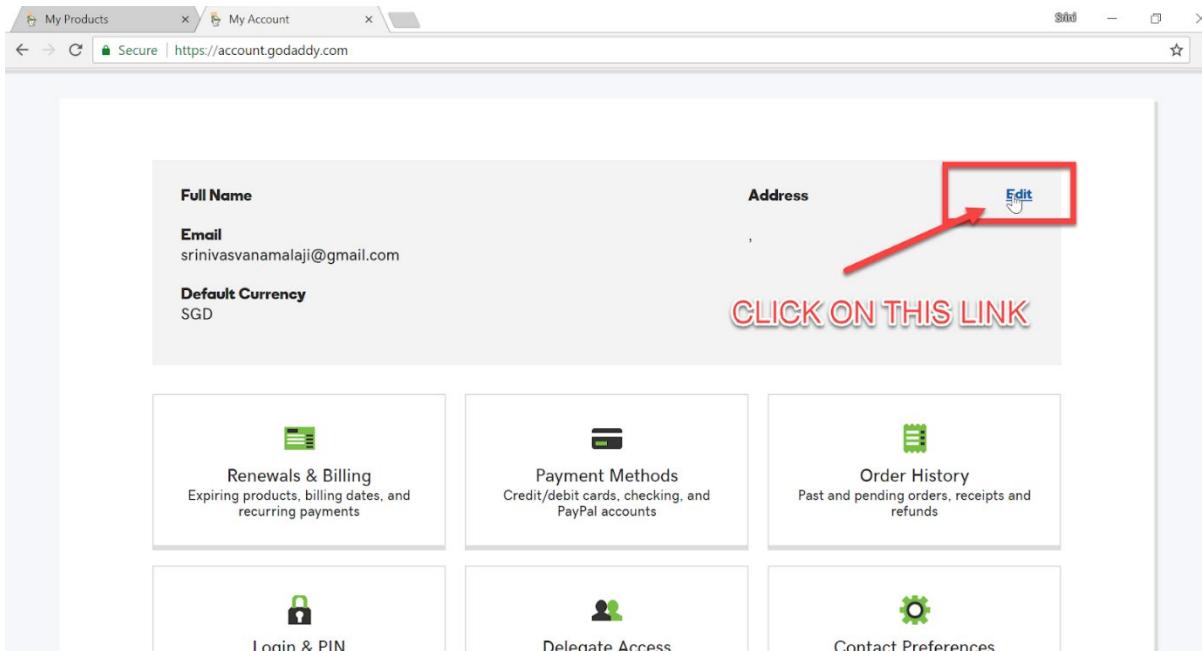


This will show the Account Details page and you find most of the details like Full Name and Address is empty.

So, fill them up.

Click on Edit to update the Account Details

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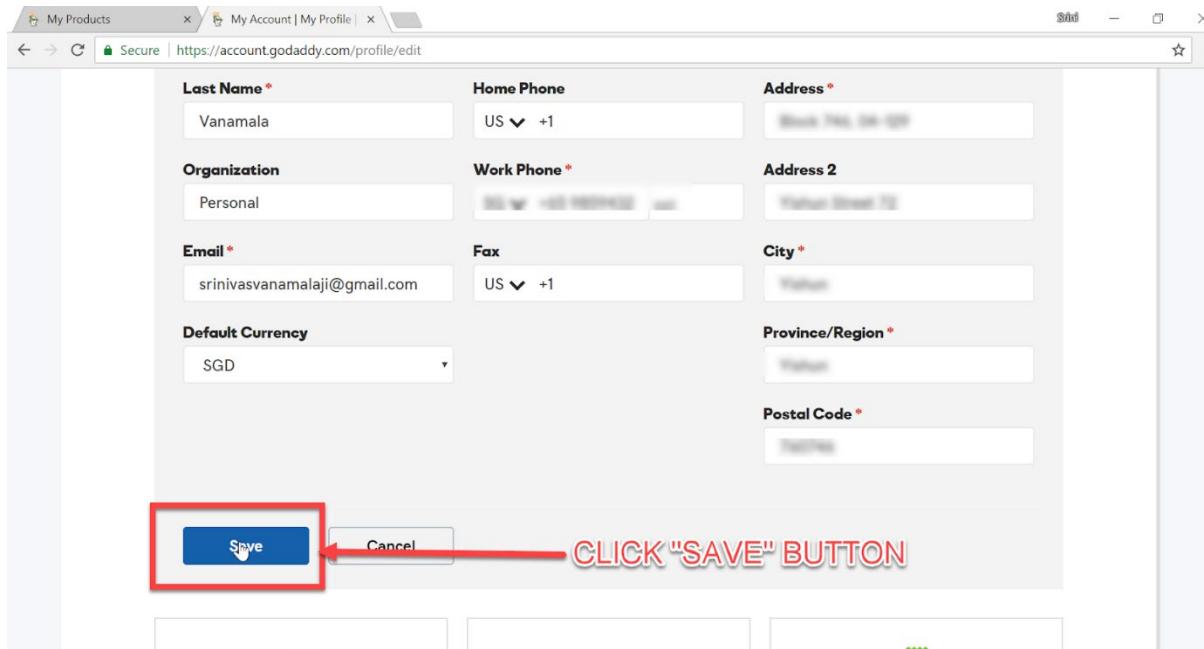


Fill the form with your personal details

The screenshot shows the Godaddy My Profile edit page. The title bar includes 'My Products', 'My Account | My Profile', and the URL https://account.godaddy.com/profile/edit. The main area is titled 'FILL IN YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS' and contains a form for updating personal information. The fields include: 'First Name *' (Srinivas), 'Mobile Phone' (US), 'Country/Region' (Singapore); 'Last Name *' (Vanamala), 'Home Phone' (US +1), 'Address' (Block 79A, Sembawang); 'Organization' (Personal), 'Work Phone *' (US +1), 'Address 2' (Yishun Street 70); 'Email *' (srinivasvanamalaji@gmail.com), 'Fax' (US +1), 'City *' (Yishun); 'Default Currency' (SGD), 'Province/Region *' (Yishun), and 'Postal Code *' (36800).

Click on “Save” button to save your account details

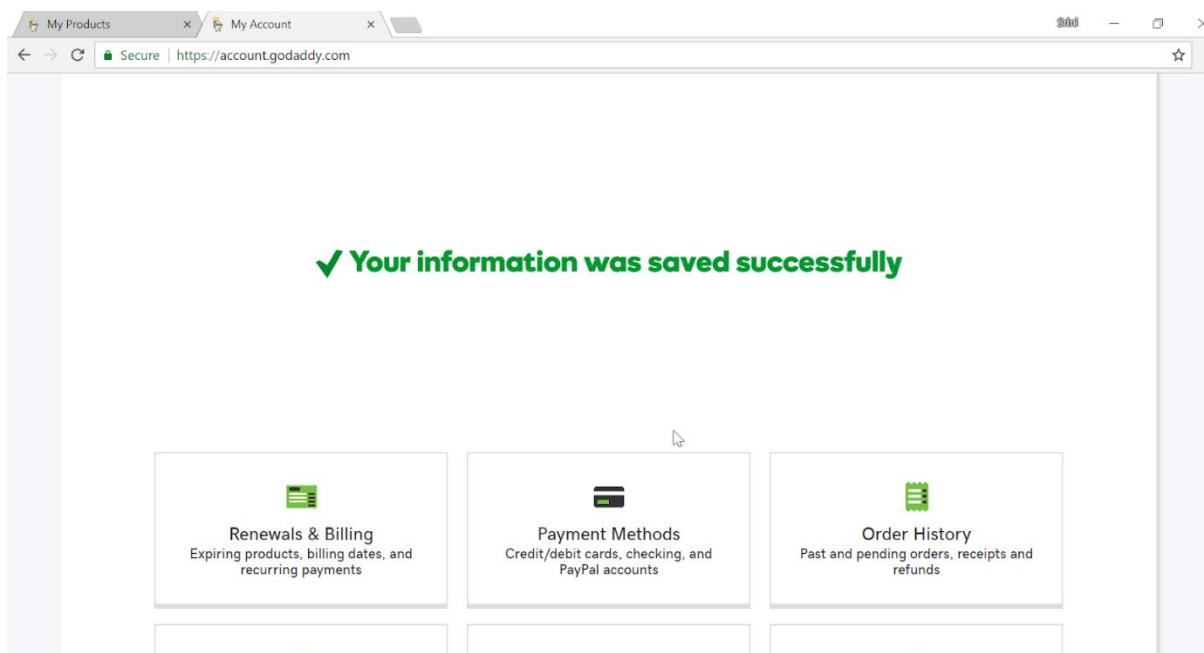
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The screenshot shows the 'My Account | My Profile' section of the GoDaddy account management interface. It displays various profile details in a grid format. The 'Last Name' field contains 'Vanamala'. The 'Home Phone' field shows 'US +1'. The 'Address' field is 'Block 7Bc, 04-02B'. The 'Organization' field is 'Personal'. The 'Work Phone' field shows '(65) 947-1000 ext 1234'. The 'Address 2' field is 'Vishnu Street 7B'. The 'Email' field is 'srinivasvanamalaji@gmail.com'. The 'Fax' field shows 'US +1'. The 'City' field is 'SINGAPORE'. The 'Default Currency' dropdown is set to 'SGD'. The 'Province/Region' field is 'SINGAPORE'. The 'Postal Code' field is '100000'. At the bottom, there is a blue 'Save' button with a white outline, which is highlighted with a red box. To its right is a 'Cancel' button.

CLICK "SAVE" BUTTON

It should show success tick to indicate that your account details are updated.



Verify the details are correct after the update.

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://account.godaddy.com>. The page is titled "My Account". The main content area displays the user's profile information:

Full Name Srinivas Vanamala	Work Phone: [Redacted]	Address [Redacted]	Edit
Organization Personal			
Email srinivasvanamalaji@gmail.com			
Default Currency SGD			

Below the profile information, there are three navigation cards:

- Renewals & Billing**
Expiring products, billing dates, and recurring payments
- Payment Methods**
Credit/debit cards, checking, and PayPal accounts
- Order History**
Past and pending orders, receipts and refunds

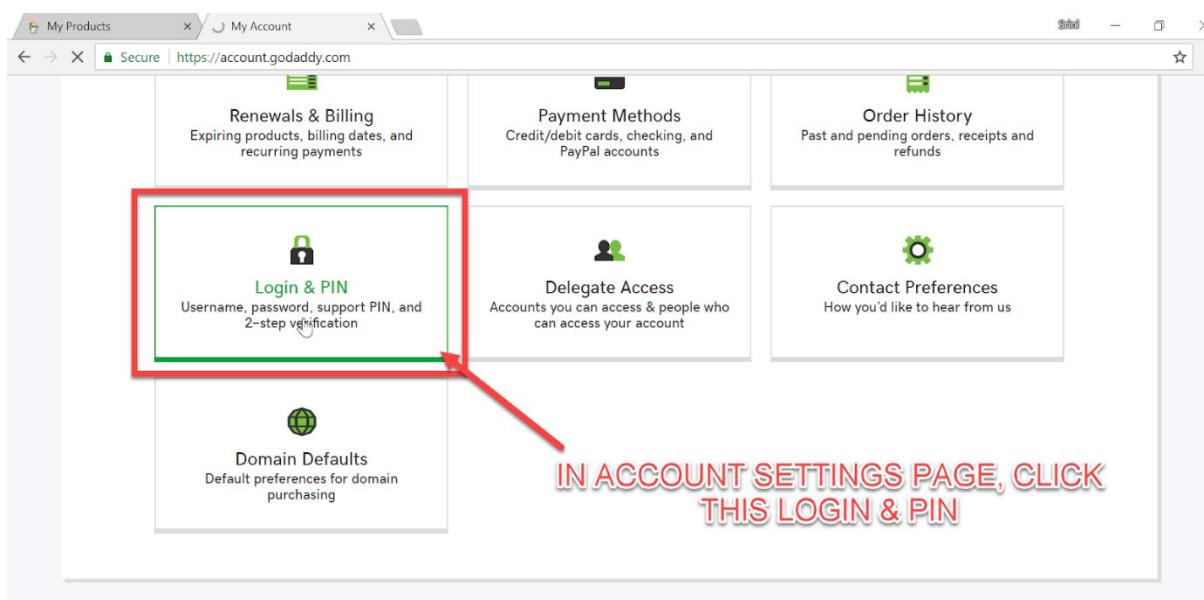
Step 1.1.4: Secure your Account with Login and Pin

Now we will secure our account by enabling the login pin for our account. So, whenever you try to login into your account. GoDaddy will send you a sms with PIN details which you can use to login into the account.

This way you will know if someone else is trying to access your account.

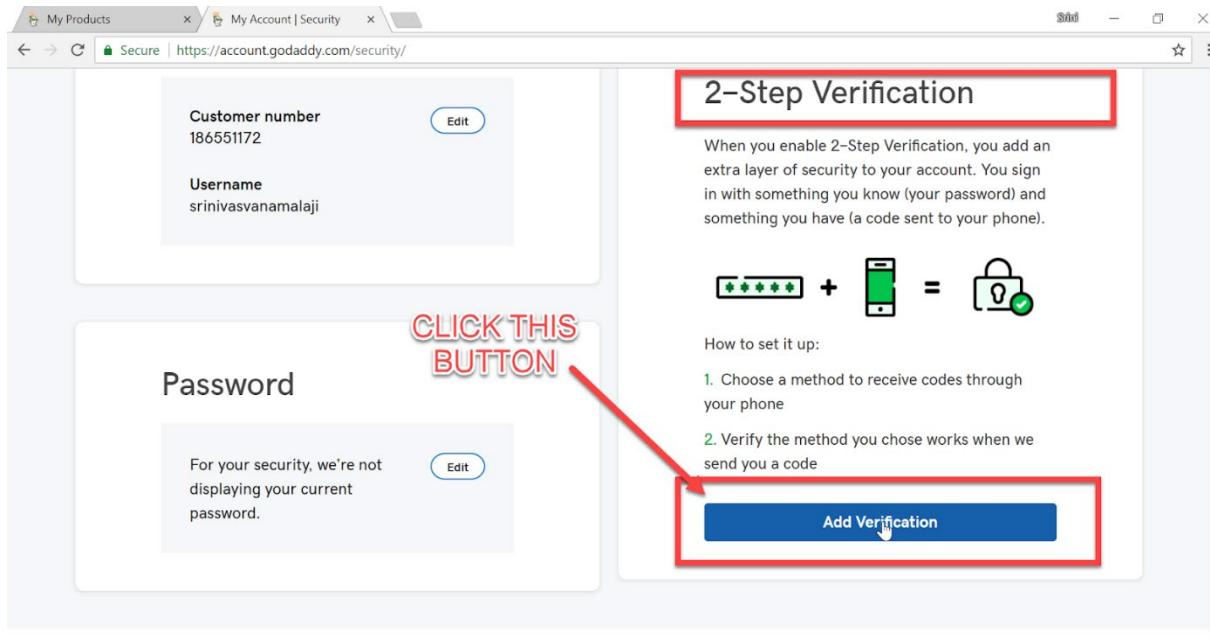
It is a safest way to keep your account secured. So, I highly recommend you do this step.

In the Account Settings Page, Scroll down and Click on Login & PIN Options.

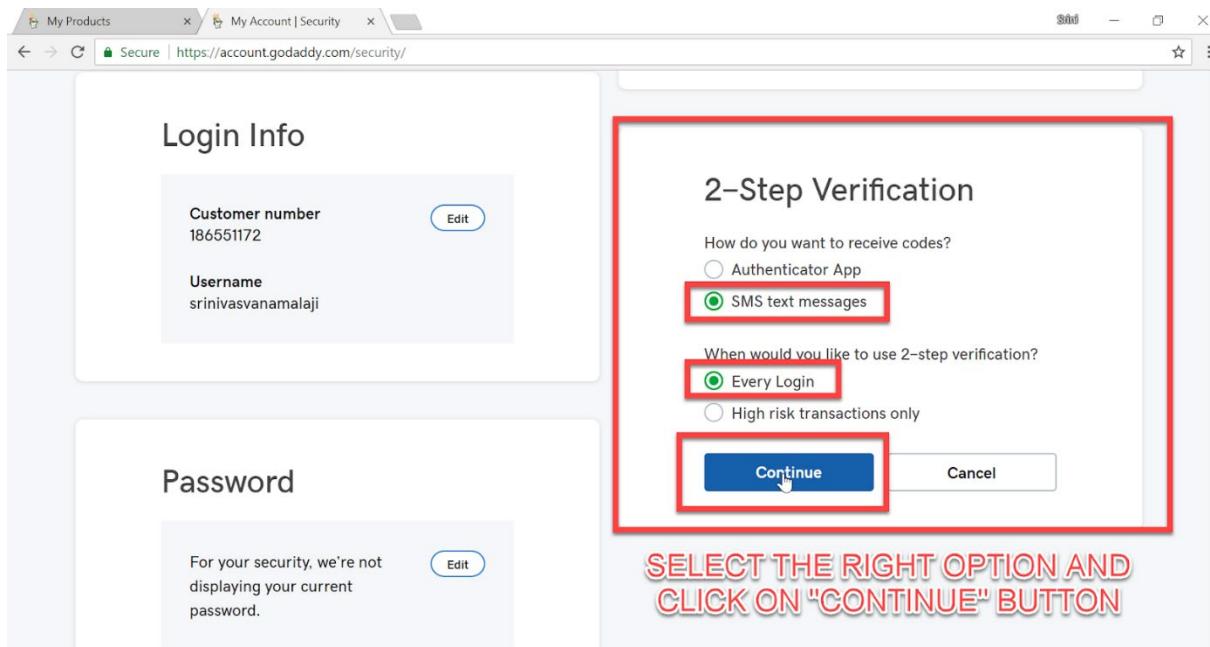


In the Login and PIN Page, Scroll down and Click on “Add Verification” Button under the 2-Step Verification Box.

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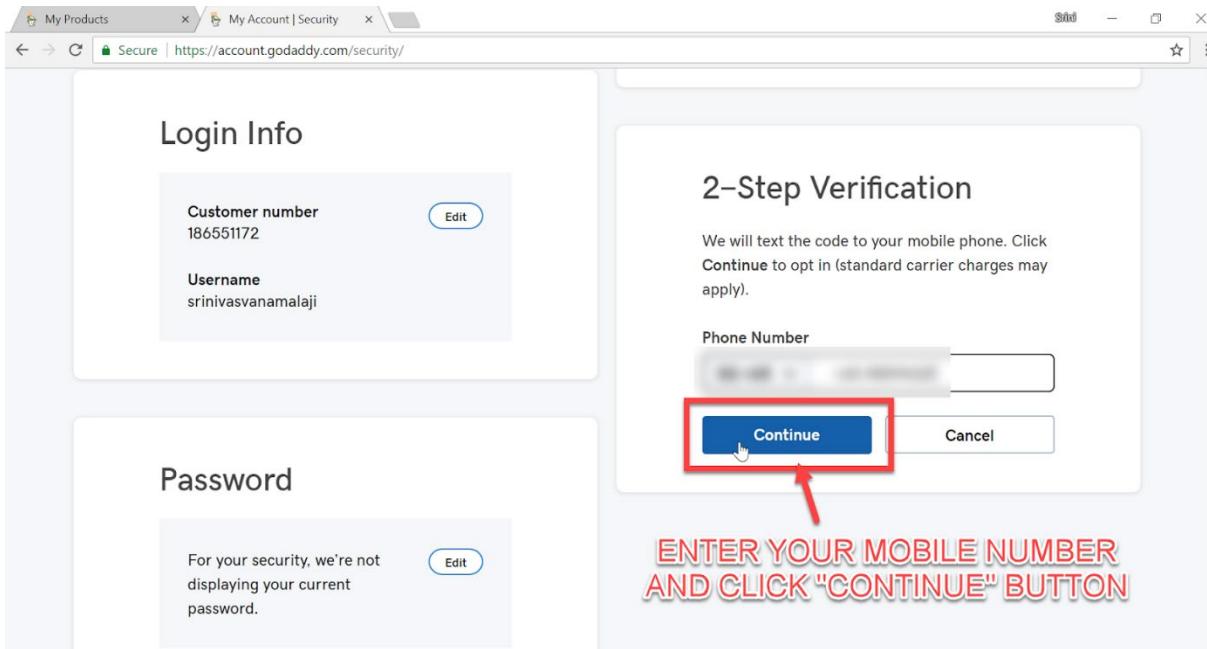


Select the SMS Option and Every Login as shown below.

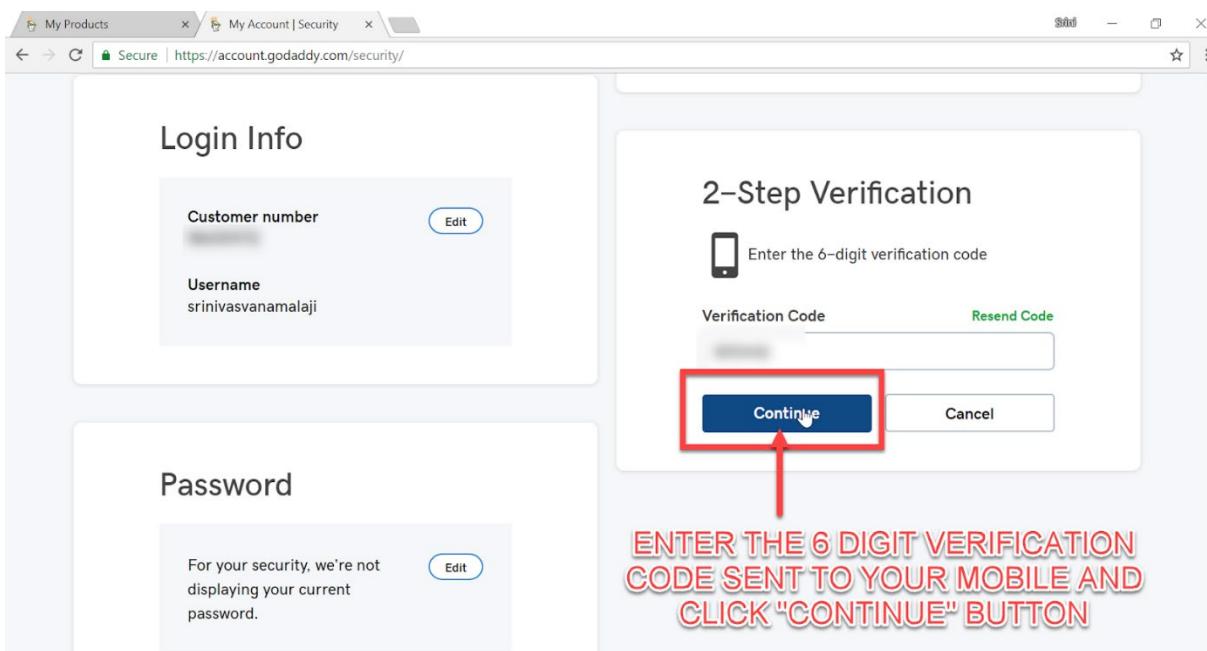


Enter your mobile number and Click “Continue” button

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Enter the Verification code sent to your mobile number and click “Continue” Button



This show the verification step has been completed.

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The screenshot shows the 'My Account | Security' section of the goDaddy dashboard. On the left, there's a 'Login Info' panel with fields for 'Customer number' (186551172) and 'Username' (srinivasvanamalaji), each with an 'Edit' button. Below it is a 'Password' panel with a note: 'For your security, we're not displaying your current password.' On the right, a large red box highlights the '2-Step Verification' section. It shows 'Verification' set to 'SMS' and 'When' set to 'Every Login'. There's also a 'Added' section and a 'Add Backup' button. A red box at the top right of this section says 'STEP COMPLETED!'. Below the verification section is a link 'Why add a backup? ?'.

Step 1.2: Login into goDaddy.com Dashboard

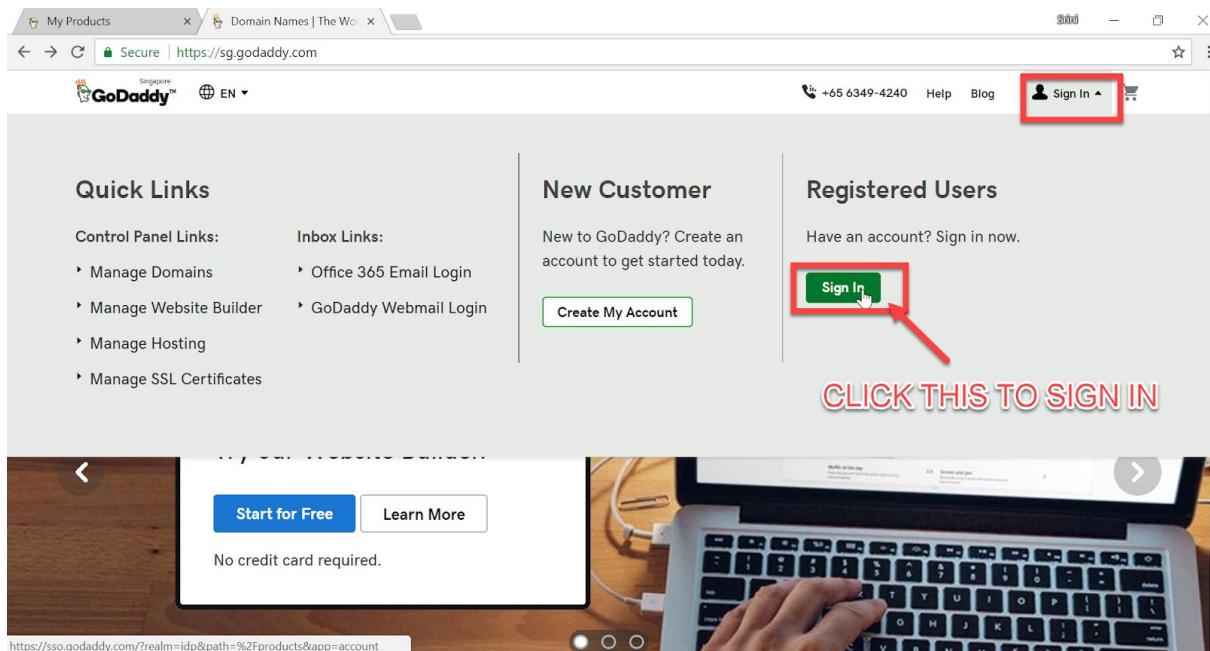
Once you have created the account and completed the settings. Then logout from the goDaddy dashboard.

The screenshot shows the main 'My Account' dashboard. At the top, there's a green header bar with the 'GoDaddy' logo and a 'My Account' link. The main content area has tabs for 'My Products' (which is active) and 'Account Settings'. Under 'My Products', there's a 'Domains' section with a search bar and a note: 'You have no products yet.' with a 'Start Shopping' button. To the right is a sidebar with sections for 'ACCOUNT' (My Products, Account Settings, My Renewals), 'RESOURCES' (Shop GoDaddy.com, Phone Numbers & Hours), and a 'Log Out' button. A red box highlights the 'Log Out' button, and a red arrow points to it from the text 'CLICK LOGOUT TO SIGN OUT FROM THE DASHBOARD' located below the main content area. At the bottom of the page, there's a copyright notice: 'Copyright © 1999 – 2018 GoDaddy Operating Company, LLC. All Rights Reserved. [Privacy Policy](#)'.

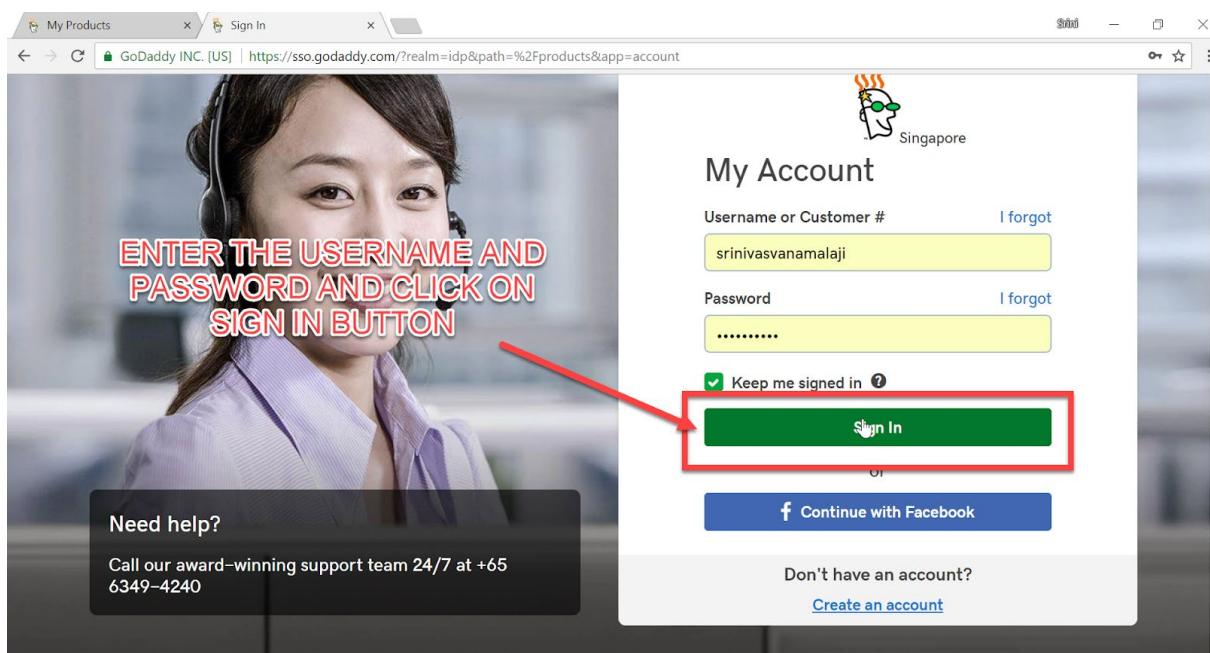
Now you will try to login again and check if all the settings are working fine or not.

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Click on Sign In -> Under Registered Users -> Sign In Button

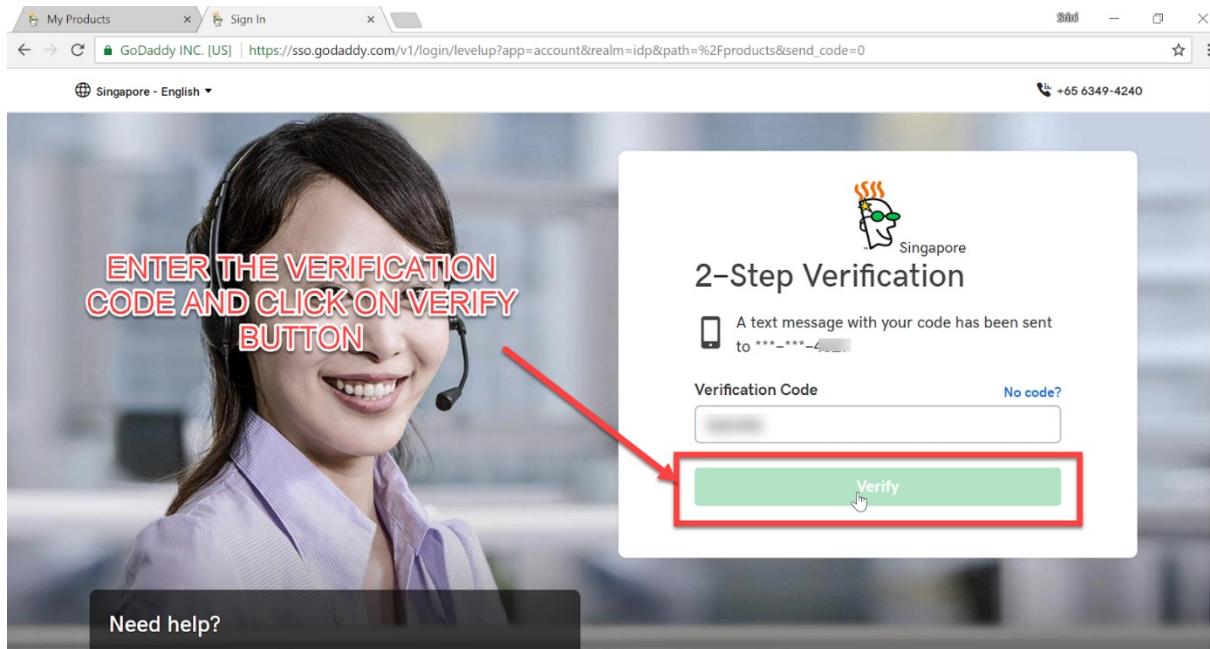


Enter the Username and Password and then Click on “Sign In” Button:



Enter the Verification code sent to you mobile and Click on “Verify” Button

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So, this shows that our Verification methods, login credentials all are working fine.

A screenshot of the GoDaddy My Account dashboard. The top navigation bar includes "My Products" and "Account Settings". The main content area is titled "Domains" and features a search bar with the placeholder "Search for a new domain". Below the search bar, a message says "You have no products yet." with a "Start Shopping" button and a shopping cart icon. On the right side, there is a sidebar with the user's profile information: "Srinivas Vanamala", "Customer # [REDACTED]", and "PIN: View". The sidebar also includes sections for "ACCOUNT" (My Products, Account Settings, My Renewals), "RESOURCES" (Shop GoDaddy.com, Phone Numbers & Hours), and "Log Out". At the bottom, there is a copyright notice: "Copyright © 1999 – 2018 GoDaddy Operating Company, LLC. All Rights Reserved. [Privacy Policy](#)".

Step 1.3: Search for Domain Name

Let's say you are trying to find domain name for travel site. So, you visit goDaddy.com and try with the first domain name. - **travelzoom.com**

Enter the Domain Name in the search box and click Search. This will show if the domain name is available or not.

travelzoo.com

Sorry, travelzoom.com is taken.

Domain	Price	Action
travelzoom.sg	SG\$80.99 SG\$9.99	Add to Cart
journeyzoom.com	SG\$21.99 SG\$1.99	Add to Cart
travelzoom.tel	SG\$24.26	Add to Cart
launtzoom.com	SG\$1.00	Add to Cart

Try to find alternative word with Travel and you can find nearest words with travel by searching synonyms with travel.

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Google search results for "travel synonyms". The search bar has "travel synonyms" highlighted. The results page shows the definition of "travel" as a verb and noun, followed by a list of synonyms. A red arrow points from the word "travel" in the snippet to the word "backpack" in the synonym list, with the text "TRAVEL + BACKPACK" written above the arrow.

Let's see if that domain name is available - travelbackpack.com

Good and Bad News!

TravelBackpack.com is available but for higher price. It is a Premium domain.

Notice With simple combination of two words we found a premium domain name.

Sometimes you will find a good word and it may be at cheaper cost.

After little research and playing around with the travel word to traveller and attaching some new words.

We found **travellersweblog.com** available for reasonable price.

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The screenshot shows the GoDaddy website interface for searching domain names. A red box highlights the search bar containing 'travelbackpack.com'. Below it, a purple banner indicates the domain is a 'Premium Domain'. Another red box highlights the message 'travelbackpack.com is available' and its price 'SG\$6,667.11 + SG\$21.99/year'. To the right, a sidebar lists reasons why the domain is great, such as being widely used for keywords and being easy to remember. A large red arrow points from the 'Available' message towards the sidebar.

I have found another simple to remember domain name by just playing around with the words.

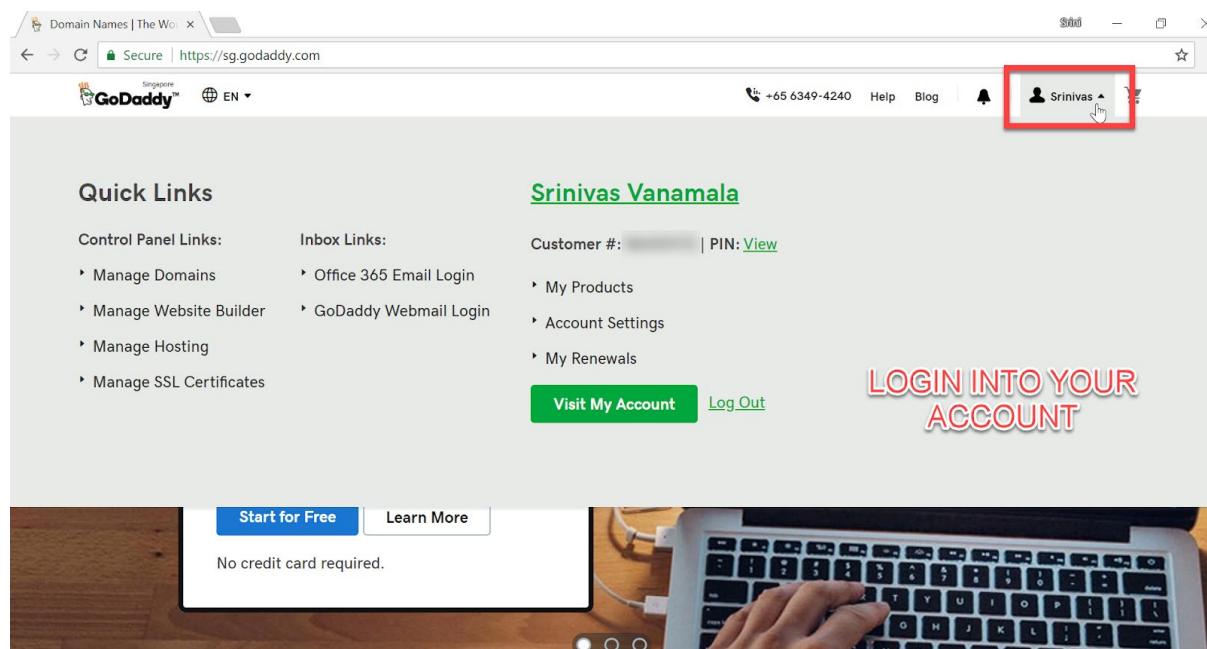
Awesometravelexperience.com

The screenshot shows the GoDaddy website interface for searching domain names. A red box highlights the search bar containing 'awesometravelexperience.com'. Below it, a message says 'Yes! Your domain is available. Buy it before someone else does.' A red box highlights the domain name 'awesometravelexperience.com' and its price 'SG\$1.99'. To the right, a sidebar offers a discount for buying three domains at once. A large red arrow points from the domain name towards the price. Below the search bar, a section titled 'Protect your name with these domains:' is visible.

Step 1.4: Purchase a Domain

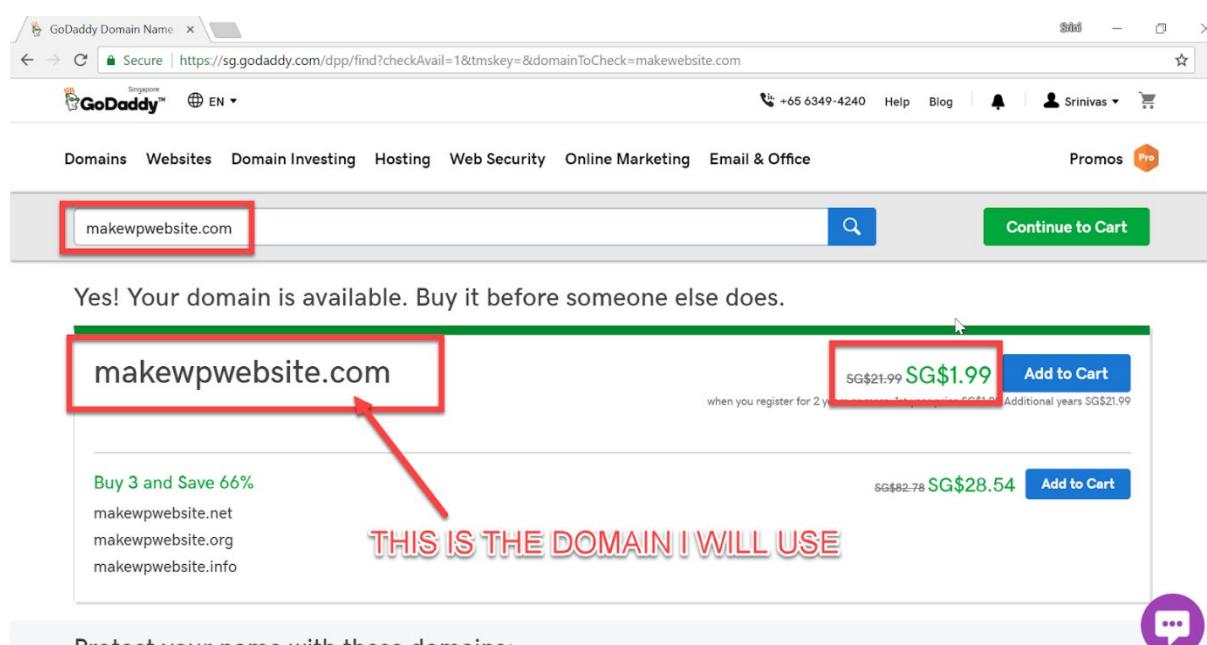
Now let's go ahead and purchase a domain name that we will be using to build in this exercise.

First, login into the goDaddy Dashboard



The screenshot shows the GoDaddy dashboard. At the top right, there is a user profile icon with the name "Srinivas Vanamala". This profile area is highlighted with a red box. Below the profile, there is a "Quick Links" section on the left and a "Customer #:" field on the right. In the center, there is a "Visit My Account" button and a "Log Out" link. To the right of these, a large red banner says "LOGIN INTO YOUR ACCOUNT". At the bottom, there is a "Start for Free" button and a "Learn More" button, along with a note that says "No credit card required".

So, the domain name I purchased for this exercise is **makewpwebsite.com**



The screenshot shows the GoDaddy search results page. A search bar at the top contains the query "makewpwebsite.com", which is highlighted with a red box. Below the search bar, a message says "Yes! Your domain is available. Buy it before someone else does." A large red arrow points from the search bar down to the domain name "makewpwebsite.com" listed in the search results. To the right of this result, there is a price of "SG\$21.99 SG\$1.99" and a "Buy Now" button. The text "THIS IS THE DOMAIN I WILL USE" is overlaid in red at the bottom of this section. At the very bottom of the page, there is a section titled "Protect your name with these domains:" followed by a list of related domains: makewpwebsite.net, makewpwebsite.org, and makewpwebsite.info.

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Once you searched the domain that you like and found it is available then click on “Add to Cart” Button.

The screenshot shows the GoDaddy website interface. A red arrow points to the 'Add to Cart' button for the domain 'makewpwebsite.com' at the price of SG\$1.99. Below the main result, there's a note about buying three domains to save 66% and a link to other related domains. A large red box highlights the 'Add to Cart' button. Overlaid text in red says 'CLICK "ADD TO CART" BUTTON TO START THE PURCHASE'.

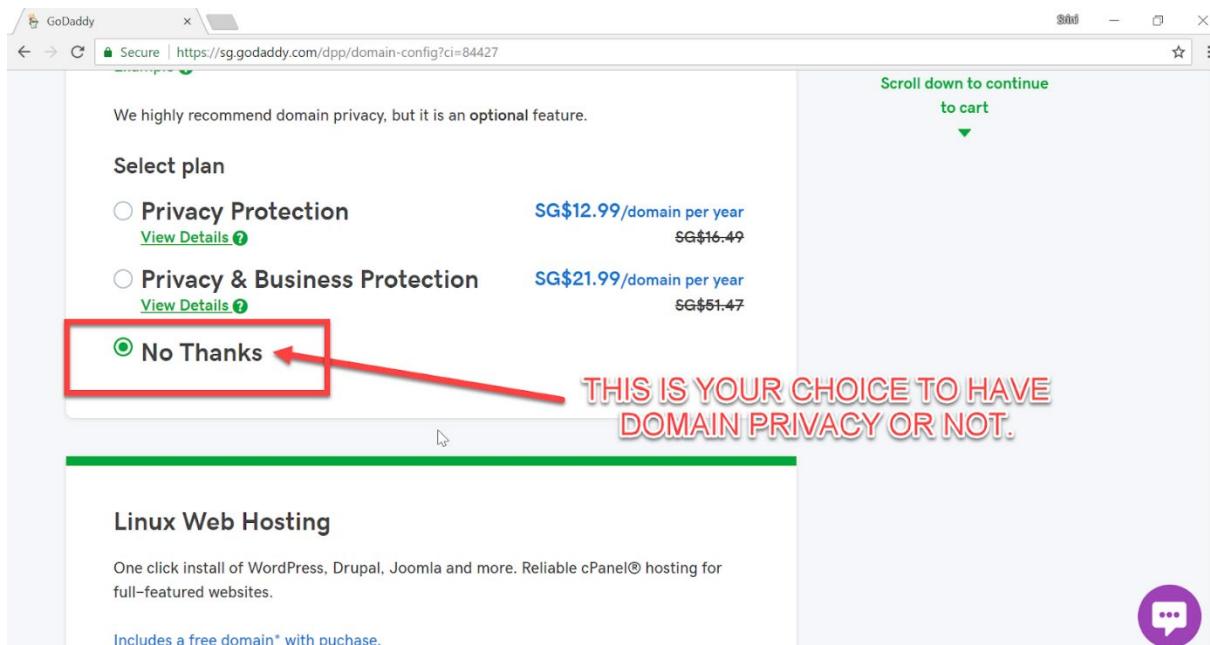
Once the Domain is added to the cart then click on “Continue to Cart” Button.

It will also show small note that “**1 Domain Selected**”

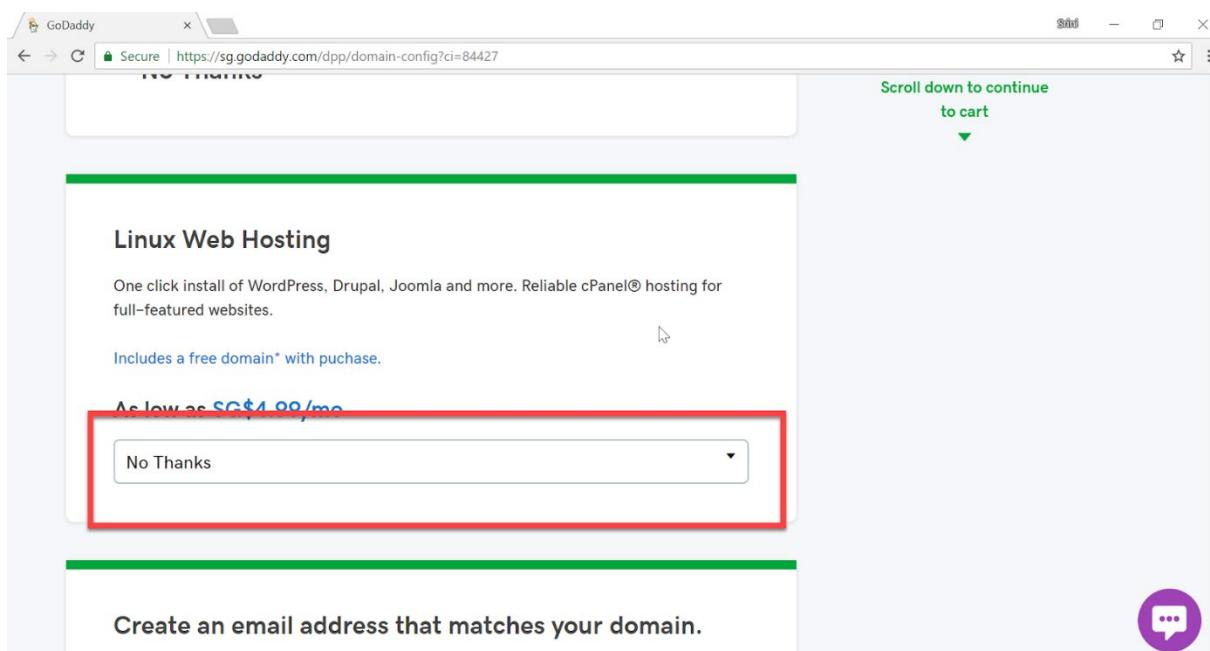
The screenshot shows the GoDaddy website interface for domain configuration. A red arrow points to the 'Continue to Cart' button, which is highlighted with a red box. Below it, a message says '1 domain selected'. The main content area shows the domain 'makewpwebsite.com' has been added, with a green checkmark icon and the word 'Added'. Overlaid text in red says 'DOMAIN ADDED TO CART NOW CLICK ON "CONTINUE" BUTTON'.

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Next, it will ask you to add the domain privacy make sure you select “No Thanks” so that you won’t get charged for this.

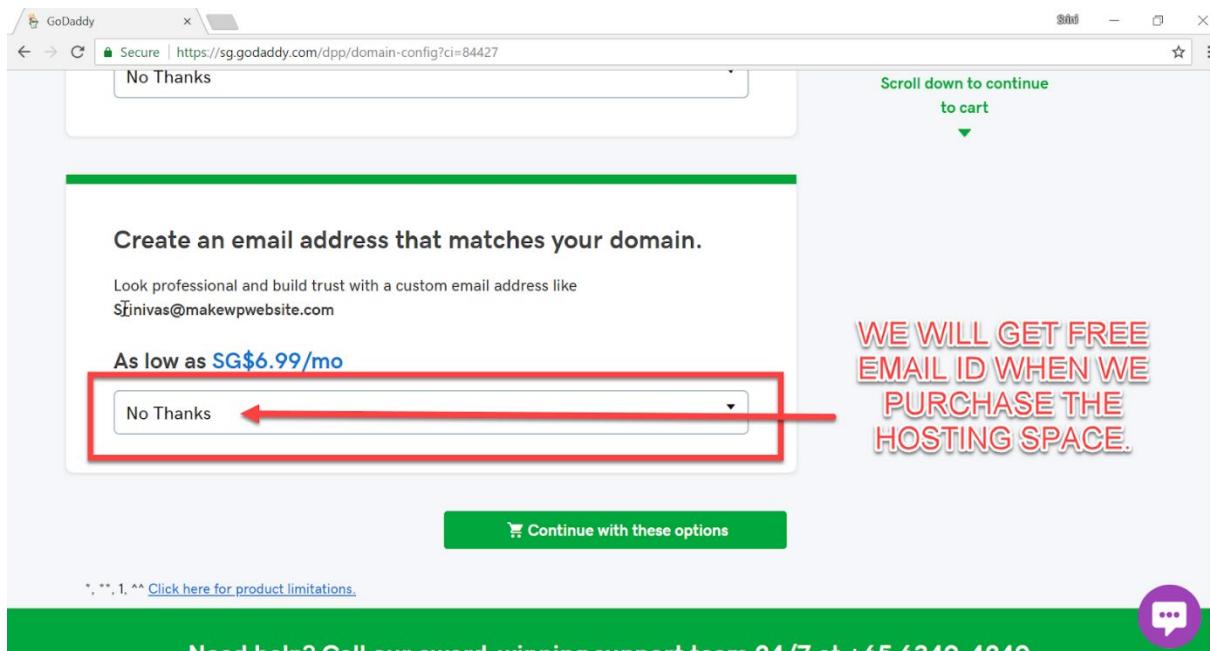


Say “No Thanks” to Linux Hosting

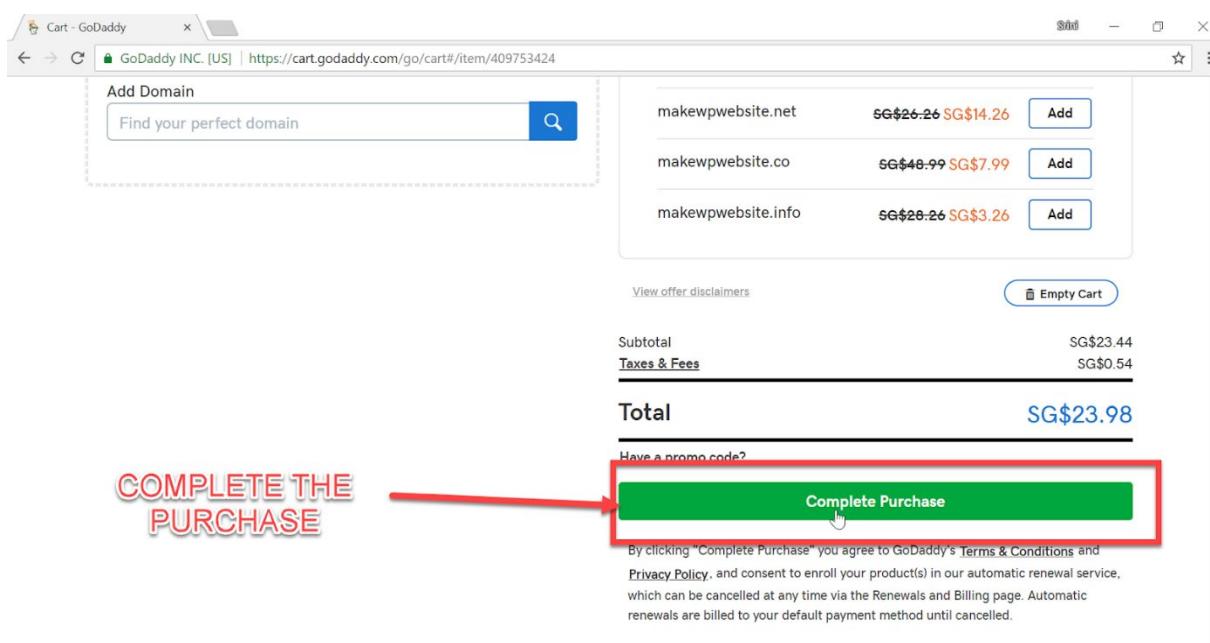


Say “No Thanks” to the email id as well.

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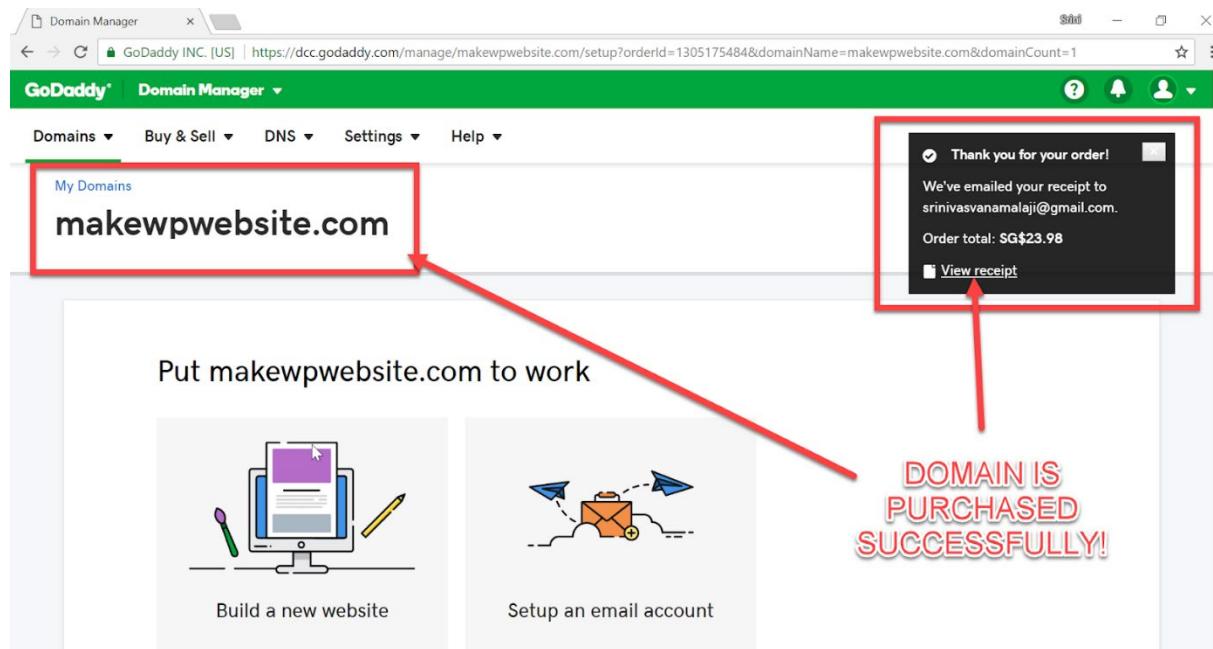


Enter the credit card details and click on “Complete Purchase” Button



This should complete the process of purchasing the domain and you should see the Thank you message and the domain under your account.

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Step 1.5: Verify the Domain Name

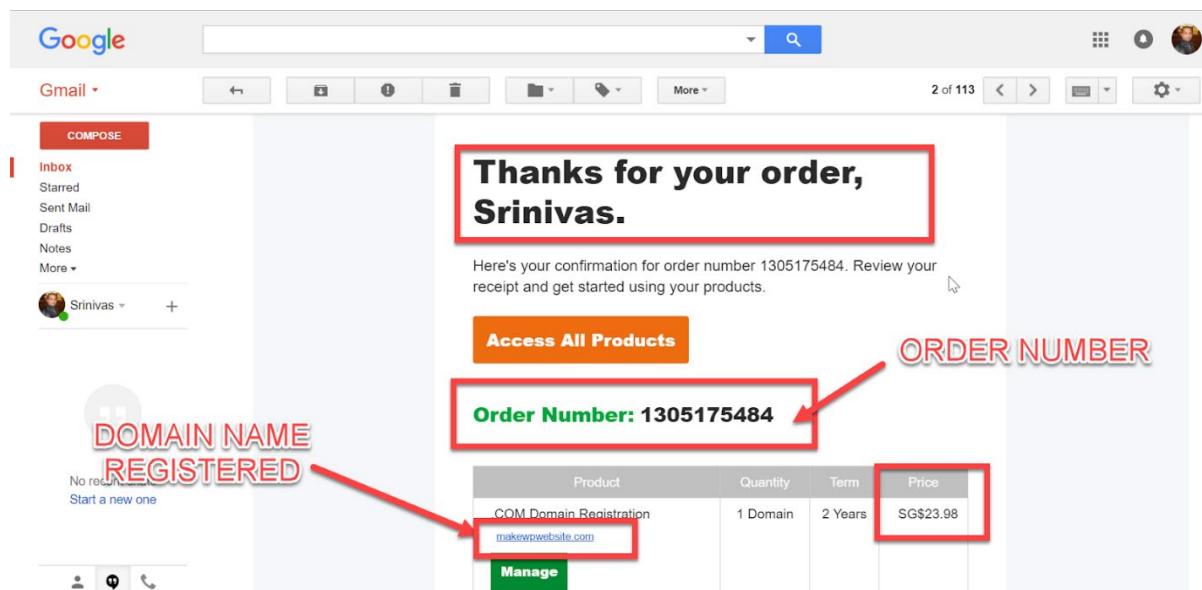
Once you have purchased the domain name there are many ways to confirm if the domain name is properly registered under your name.

This is very important step so please do not skip the verification steps.

Step 1.5.1: Confirmation Email from goDaddy.com

Check your email inbox for the domain name confirmation email from goDaddy with the cost charged to your card.

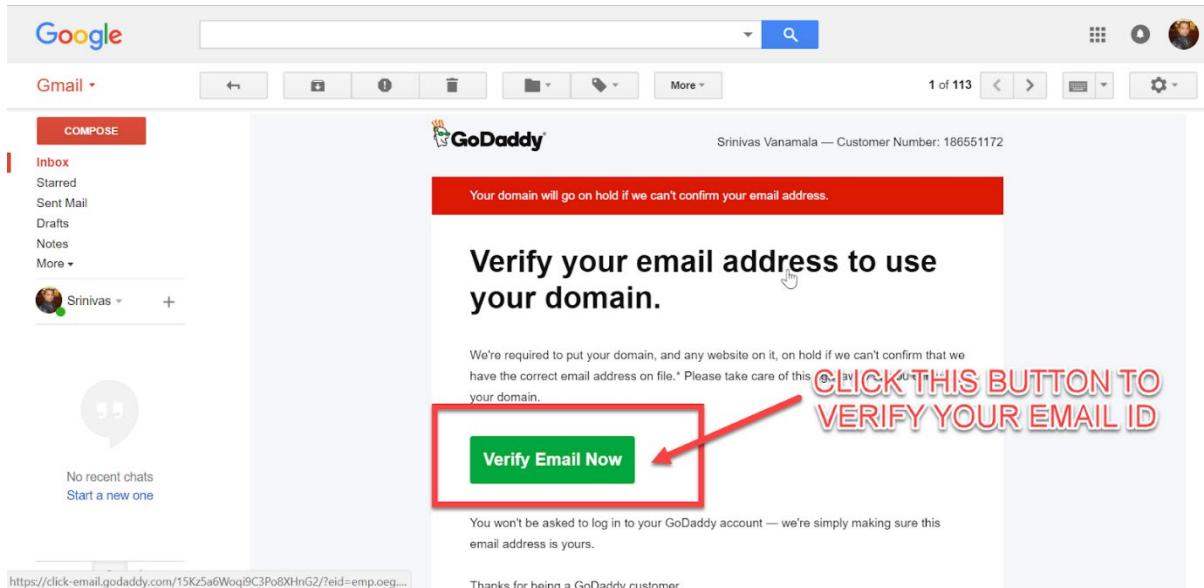
Verify you have the order number, domain name is correct and price is correct.



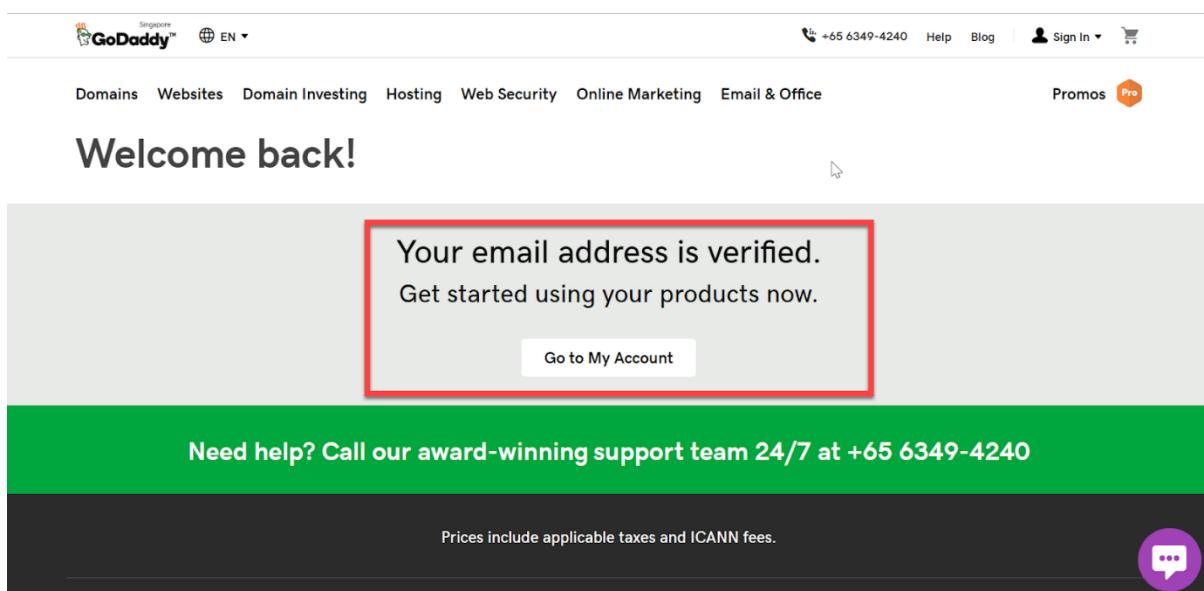
Step 1.5.2: Verify your Email Address

You will also get an email from goDaddy to confirm your email address. Check that email and confirm your email address.

This Email sometime may be in promotions tab or trash tab find it and confirm your email address.



You should see this email confirmation from goDaddy.com



Step 1.5.3: Confirm the Domain Owner

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- Visit the site: <https://www.whois.com/whois/>
- Enter your domain name that you just purchased
- Check the owner details

WHOIS Lookup

Search domain name registration records

makepwebsite.com

SEARCH

.space \$8.00 \$1.48 BUY NOW

*Offer ends 31st May 2018

ENTER YOUR DOMAIN NAME AND SEARCH

Connecting...

Name: ***** (see Notes section below on how to view unmasked data)
Organization: Personal

RAW WHOIS DATA

Domain Name: makepwebsite.com
Registrar URL: http://www.godaddy.com
Registrant Name: ***** (see Notes section below on how to view unmasked data)
Registrant Organization: Personal
Name Server: NS37.DOMAINCONTROL.COM
Name Server: NS38.DOMAINCONTROL.COM
DNSSEC: unsigned

For complete domain details go to:
<http://who.godaddy.com/whoischeck.aspx?domain=makepwebsite.com>

The data contained in GoDaddy.com, LLC's Whois database, while believed by the company to be reliable, is provided "as is" with no guarantee or warranties regarding its accuracy. This information is provided for the sole purpose of assisting you in obtaining information about domain name registration records. Any use of this data for any other purpose is expressly forbidden without the prior written permission of GoDaddy.com, LLC. By submitting an inquiry, you agree to these terms of usage and limitations of warranty. In particular, you agree not to use this data to allow, enable, or otherwise make possible, dissemination or collection of this data, in part or in its entirety, for any purpose, such as the transmission of unsolicited advertising and promotional materials, without GoDaddy.com, LLC's express written consent. You further agree not to collect data about GoDaddy.com, LLC's Whois database through the use of scripts, programs, processes, or other means for purposes designed to collect or compile this data for any purpose, including without limitation for the purpose of sending unsolicited commercial email or spam. If you do so, your connection may be monitored, and you may be subject to legal action and/or disciplinary proceedings.

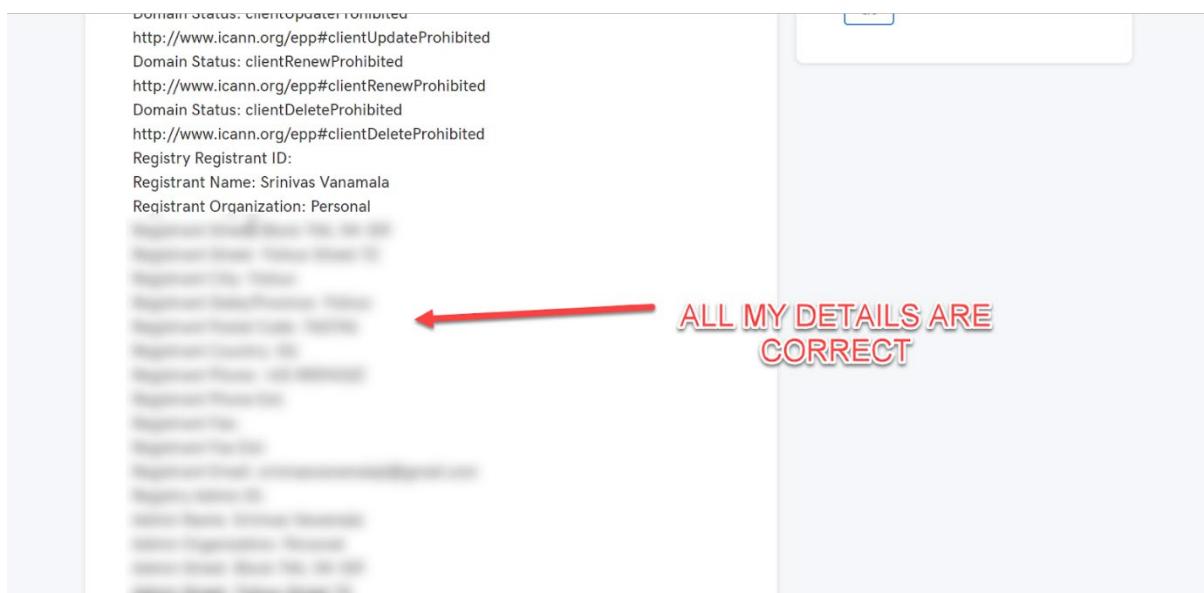
DOMAIN IS REGISTERED WITH GODADDY THEN GO TO THIS URL SHOWN HERE.

Please note: the registrant of the domain name is specified in the "registrant" section. In most cases, GoDaddy.com, LLC is not the registrant of domain names listed in this database.

related domain names

Go to: <https://godaddy.com/whois> and search your domain

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STEP 2: Register & Purchase a Web Hosting Space

Hello and Welcome to **Step 2: Register and Purchase a Web Hosting Space**. Did you manage to find and register a perfect domain name for your dream website.

I hope you got the domain name you were looking for and registered it. If you have not done the Step 1, then I highly recommend you go back and complete that task.

I assume that you have a domain name to use for the upcoming configurations. Let's move on.

In this step 2, you need to purchase a space in the server to store your website files.

This is the first step you will do before you start building your website.

In this Step 2, you will do the following things:

- Understand why we need to Purchase Hosting server.
- Create an Account with WEB Hosting Provider (hostgator.com)
- After all the verifications steps, you will login into the Hostgator Dashboard.
- Select a Hosting plan and purchase it.
- After purchase, you will receive some credentials for your server. We will carefully analyse those credentials.
- With the credentials, I will show you how to login into your Server dashboard.
- How to access files on your server using FTP client software - FileZilla.
- In the Reference Section at the last, I will share all the links that will be helpful for your future Reference.

This will be interesting topic as we need we find a place for our website and learn how to configure it properly.

Let's first understand why we need to purchase a hosting plan.

What you'll need to do in Step 2

- You need a Computer with Internet Access.
- Valid Email ID
- Valid Phone Number
- Credit or Debit card with VISA / MASTER
- Some Idea on Hosting plan.

Introduction to Hosting Plan

In the Step 1, we have found a name for our house that is the Domain name. But we did not purchase any house yet to save our website code.

In this Step 2, we will find out different vendors who offer this space in their server so that we can login into their server and install WordPress and start building our website.

What is Hosting Plan?

You have purchased the domain name which is just a name that you can point to any server.

But we need a server where we can login and install WordPress and then build our website.



WEB Hosting is nothing but the space in the server where we will host or store our website files.

Before we purchase a space in any server, we should expect following things:

- Ability to run PHP code.
- Decent server compute power (CPU/Memory) to run WordPress Software.
- Handle good amount of traffic to our site.
- Unlimited space so that we can store our data without any worry.
- Unlimited email addresses can be created for our domain.
- 99.9% uptime of the server. If the server is down, then our website is down as well.
- 24x7 Technical support in case if any issue happens we should able to talk to someone to fix it.

- Some tools to manage our general task like - WordPress installation, Server backup, view the database and see the site traffic.

What I listed above are actually very basic offering and most of the famous WEB hosting server will offer us.

WHAT IS A HOSTING SPACE?

Buying Hosting Space is like purchasing a space in the server that is connected to Internet.

FEATURES:

- CPU
- RAM
- DISK SPACE
- INTERNET BANDWIDTH
- SOFTWARES (PHP, JAVA)
- SERVERS (APACHE, TOMCAT)
- DATABASE (MYSQL, ORACLE)

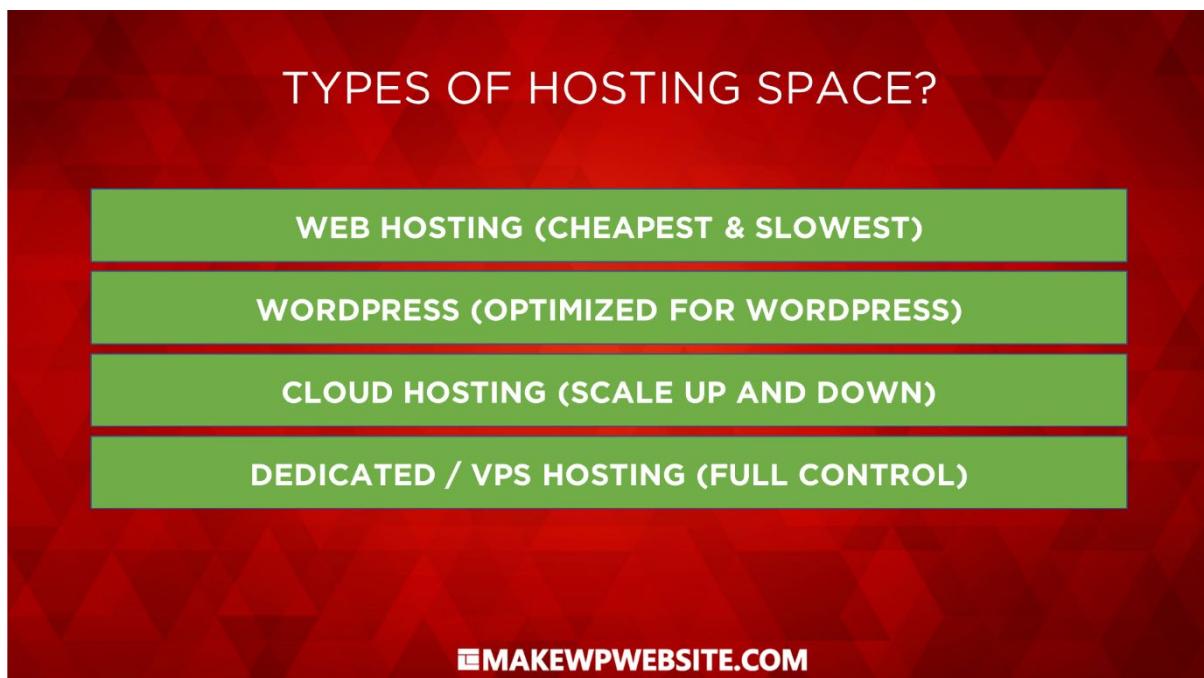
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If you see the list, we are not just buying a space in the server we actually buying the complete ecosystem in which we will deploy our website and make sure it all has the required feature to support our business needs.

So, think for a second when you are trying to search for WEB hosting you are searching for a place where you get many other features apart from just a space in the server.

How many types of Hosting Plan Available?

WEB hosting comes with different options depending on your business needs.



Here are the 5 hosting options available:

1. Basic Hosting
2. WordPress Hosting
3. Cloud Hosting
4. VPS Hosting
5. Dedicated Hosting

Basic Hosting is the cheapest hosting you will find to host your WordPress files and it has many software to manage your site.

Because it is the cheapest option, you might feel that your site is slow and some restrictions to your WordPress Configuration.

WordPress hosting is specifically designed to host WordPress based site. Server is optimized to run WordPress with specific settings.

If you are planning only for WordPress on your site then this is the best option.

Cloud Hosting will help you to choose the server computer power as well. Like you choose how much CPU and memory you need for the server.

Because it is cloud in nature the server will be high availability at various location.

VPS Hosting and Dedicated Hosting will be like hiring a dedicated server and high compute power and you get server level access to this server.

You need to have some server level skill to install web server and configure it.

But for our website I will use the WordPress Hosting.

From where we can buy WEB Hosting Plan?

If you just search “WEB hosting Vendors” then you can find tons of options and obviously you will get confused to choose which one are the best for your simple website.

The image is a graphic titled "WHERE TO BUY HOSTING?" featuring three web hosting providers: HostGator, SiteGround, and Bluehost. Each provider has its logo and name. Below the logos, there is a green button labeled "RECOMMENDED" under the SiteGround section. At the bottom of the graphic, the URL "MAKEWPWEBSITE.COM" is displayed.

Provider	Status
HostGator	
SiteGround	Recommended
Bluehost	

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I have used some of them previously and personally find the siteground hosting service better for startups and simple website hosting.

- [Siteground \(Recommended\)](#)
- [Hostgator](#)
- [Bluehost](#)

What if your requirement is to host a business site and needs some solid business hosting plans. Then my recommendation for you is to look for dedicated server instead of sharing the server with others.

Two best dedicated server hosting plans are from:

- Linode (Currently I am using it for all my website)
- DigitalOcean

Well those are my personal favourite, but you are free to choose whatever you feel better based on the online reviews, your own experience or based on your friends advise.

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For this example, we will use the **Managed WordPress Hosting Plan - Standard Plan from Hostgator.**

<https://www.hostgator.com/managed-wordpress-hosting>

Expect MORE With WordPress Cloud Hosting

We Recommend

Starter Plan Now **40% OFF!**

- 1 Site
- 100k Visits Per Month
- 1GB Backups

Starting At **\$5.95/mo***

Buy Now!

Standard Plan Now **50% OFF!**

We Recommend

- 2 Sites
- 200k Visits Per Month
- 2GB Backups

Starting At **\$7.95/mo***

Buy Now!

Business Plan Now **57% OFF!**

- 3 Sites
- 500k Visits Per Month
- 3GB Backups

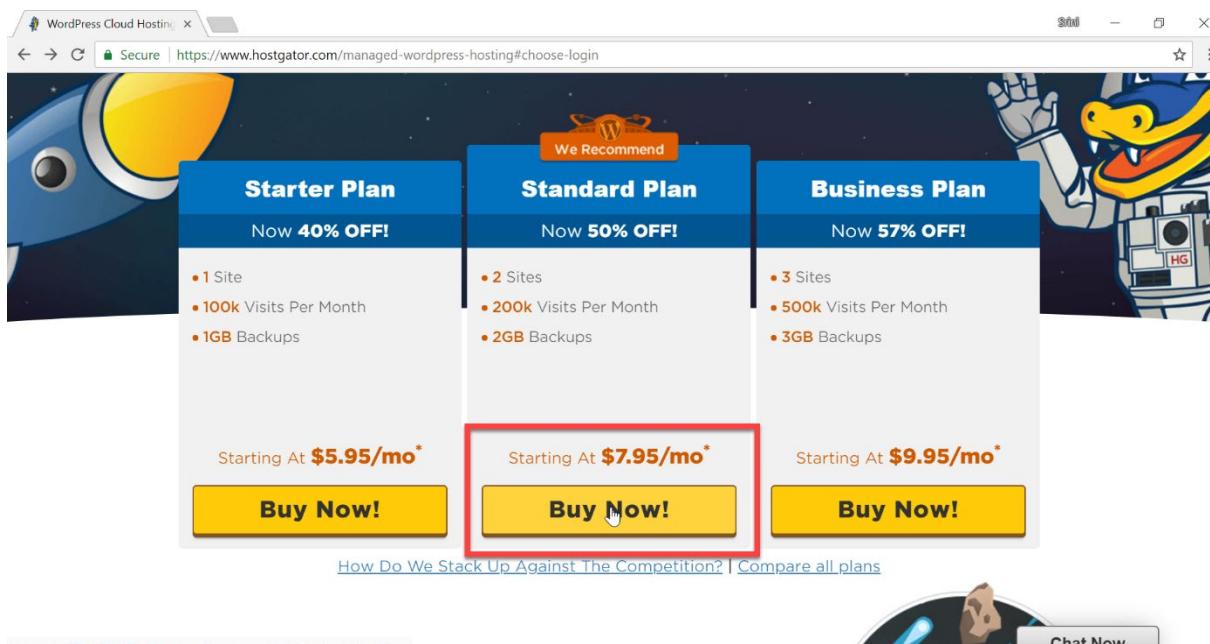
Starting At **\$9.95/mo***

Buy Now!

Step 2.1: Register with Hosting Provider

Visit the Hostgator.com site and then you will buy the WEB Hosting Plan from the option provided.

Here I am selecting the “WordPress Cloud Hosting Plan” – Standard Plan



Step 2.1.1: Purchase the Hosting Plan

After you have selected the Hosting Plan on the Hostgator.com site it will redirect you to the payment page.

It will ask you to purchase the domain name and enter the payment details.

First let's click on "I Already Own Domain" Tab and Enter the domain name that we purchased earlier **makewpwebsite.com**

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The screenshot shows the HostGator Order Form. Step 1 is titled "1. Choose a domain for your first WordPress site." It has two options: "Register a New WordPress Domain" and "I Already Own This Domain". A red box highlights the "I Already Own This Domain" button. Below it, a search bar shows "makewpwebsite.com" with a checked checkbox labeled "makewpwebsite.com" and a green checkmark indicating it's added as primary. A large red arrow points from the "ENTER THE DOMAIN NAME" text at the bottom to the search bar.

Next, choose the plan and amount that you like to pay.

The screenshot shows the HostGator Order Form. Step 2 is titled "2. Choose a Hosting Plan". It lists a hosting plan: "makewpwebsite.host" for \$6.95/yr - 1 year, marked as available with a green checkmark. A red box highlights the "Billing Cycle" dropdown menu set to "36 months @ \$7.95/mo - 50.16% Off!". Below it, a note says "Plan renews 2021-05-08 @ \$15.95/mo*". A large red arrow points from the "SELECT THE PAYMENT PLAN" text at the bottom to the "Billing Cycle" dropdown. The "Security PIN" field is also visible.

In the additional services, there will be services that will be free and some will be paid so be careful what you are selecting and deselecting.

This will directly impact the amount that you need to pay.

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The screenshot shows a web browser window for HostGator's checkout process. At the top, it asks if the user is a customer and lists the state as Alaska. Below this, a section titled "4. Add Additional Services" is highlighted with a red box. To its right, the text "ADDITIONAL SERVICE - PAY EXTRA" is displayed in red capital letters. Three service options are listed:

- SiteLock Monitoring**: Includes "Protect Your Site From Hackers. (Powered By SiteLock)" which is marked as "Included Free!".
- Site Backup**: Includes "Backup Your Hard Work. (Powered By CodeGuard)" which is also marked as "Included Free!". A red arrow points to this "Included Free!" label.
- SSL Certificate**: Includes "Assure Safety To Your Visitors & Convert Them To Customers." with a price of "\$1.67/mo (Billed Annually @ \$19.95)".

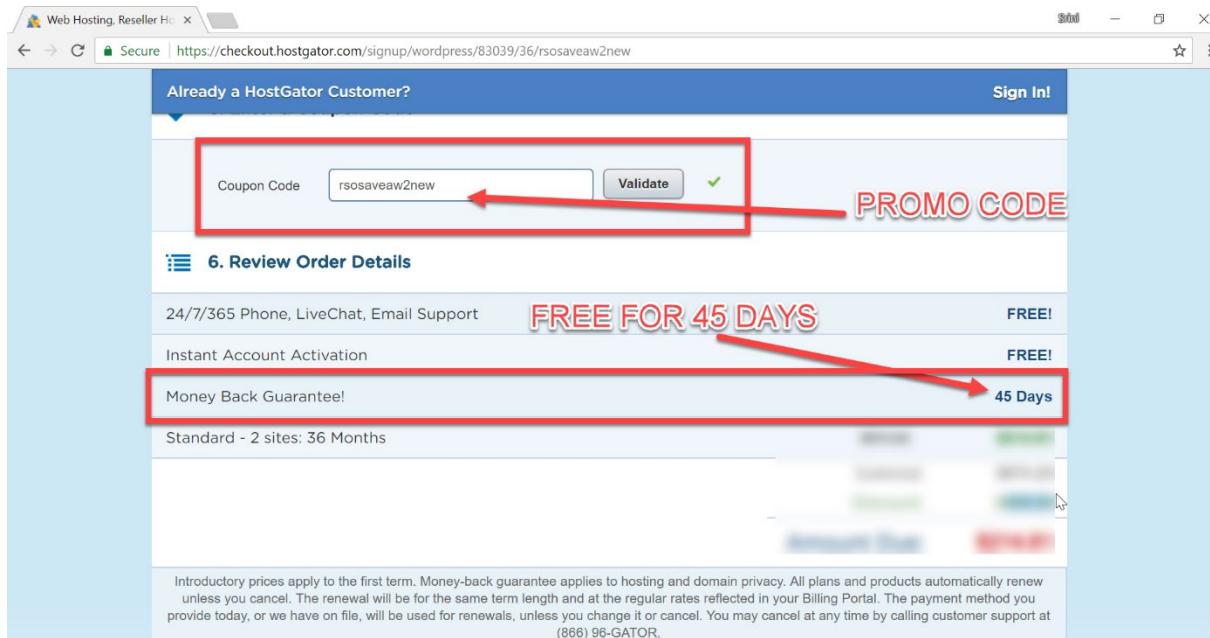
Hostgator has lots of promo code, so before you purchase make sure you did some google search to find the best coupon code.

The screenshot shows the same HostGator checkout page as above, but with a large promotional overlay in the foreground. The overlay features a cartoon blue dog head and the text "Before You Go, Get Our Best Deal! 3 Years For The Price Of 2!* 62% Off!". It also includes "FREE!" labels and "45 Days" text. The background page shows sections for "Site Backup", "SSL Certificate", "Enter a Coupon Code", and "Review C".

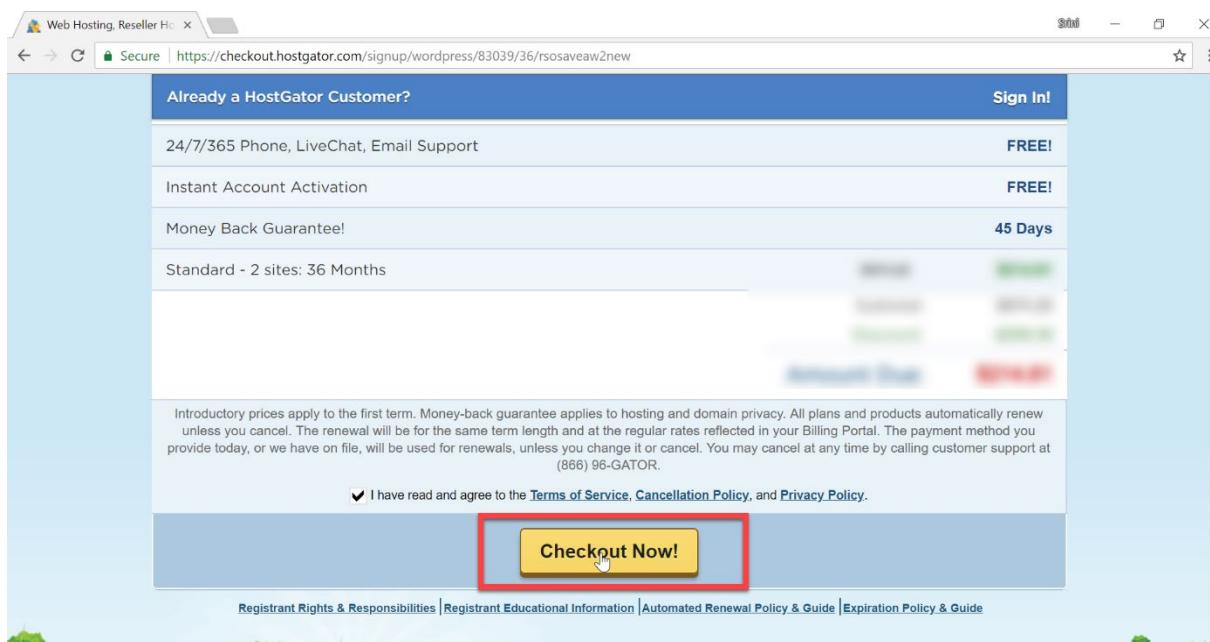
Two things you should always check and notice before you click that pay button.

1. Enter the best Promo Code to get the best discount
2. Money Back Policy – In case if you don't like what you purchased you can always return it back.

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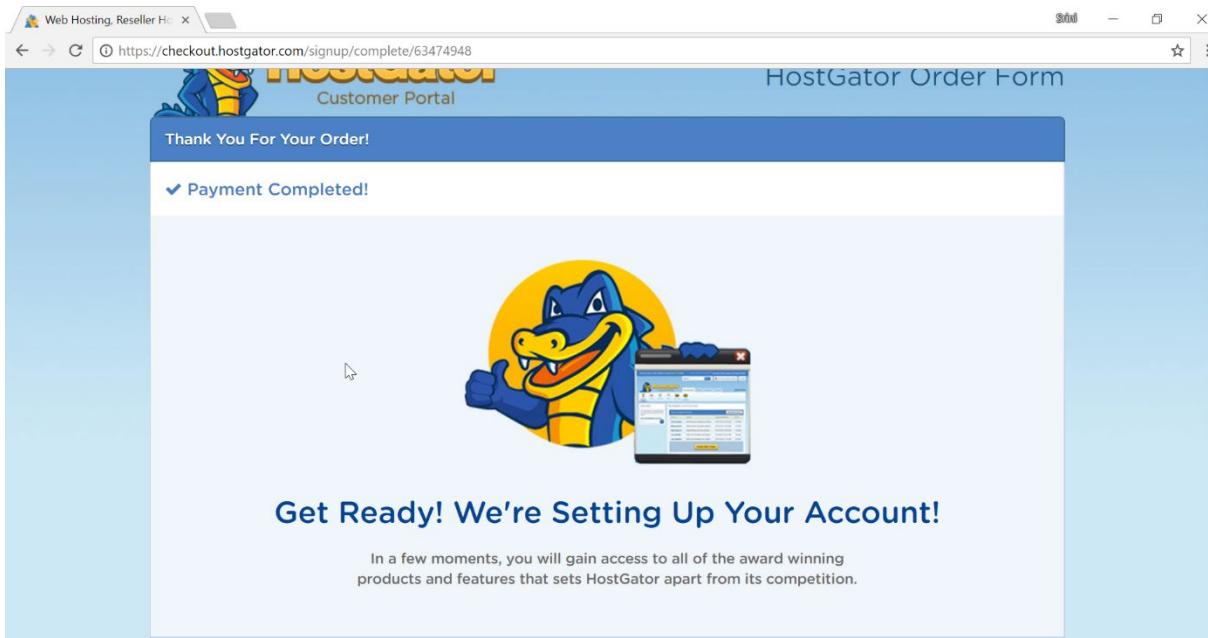
After you have done all the settings as suggested now you can go ahead and make the purchase.



Check your email for additional details. All the login details will be provided in the email.

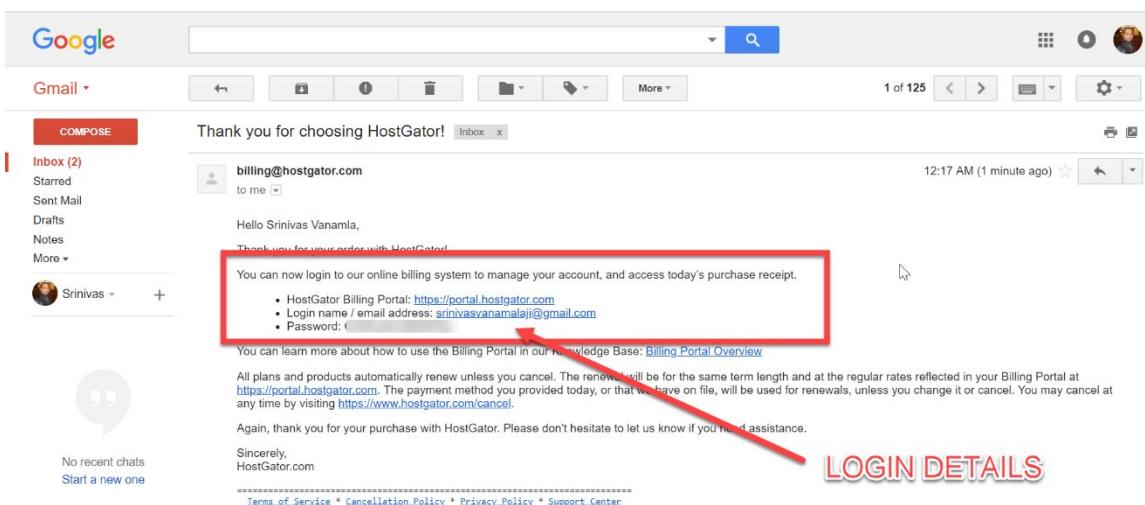
So, let's check the email next.

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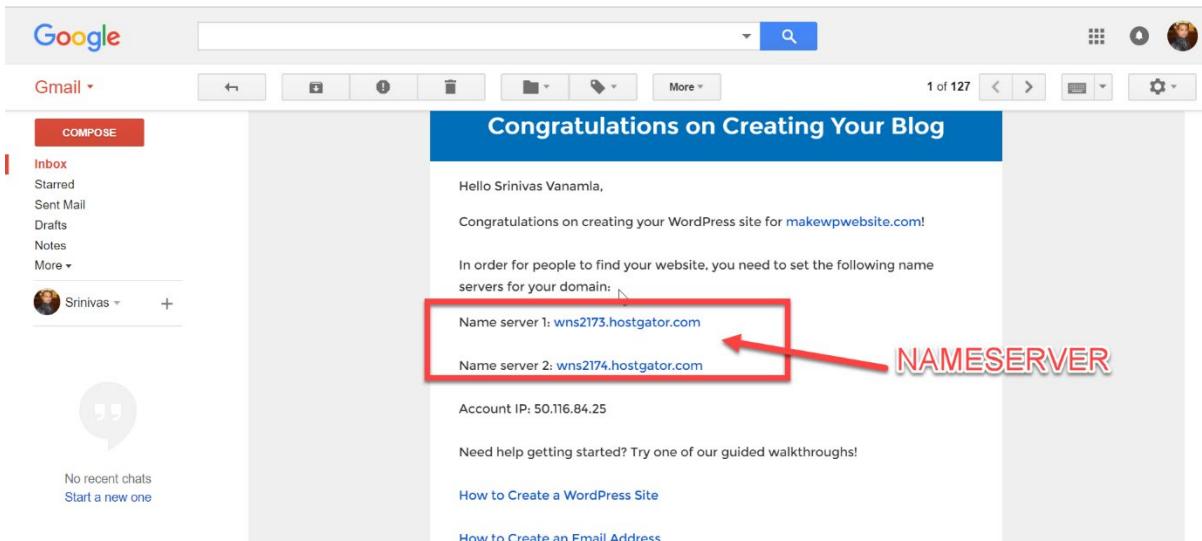
Step 2.1.2: Check the Login Details

Once you have made the purchase from the Hostgator Dashboard. You should not receive an email from Hostgator about the login details with username and password.



You should also receive email about the details of the Name Server of your website.

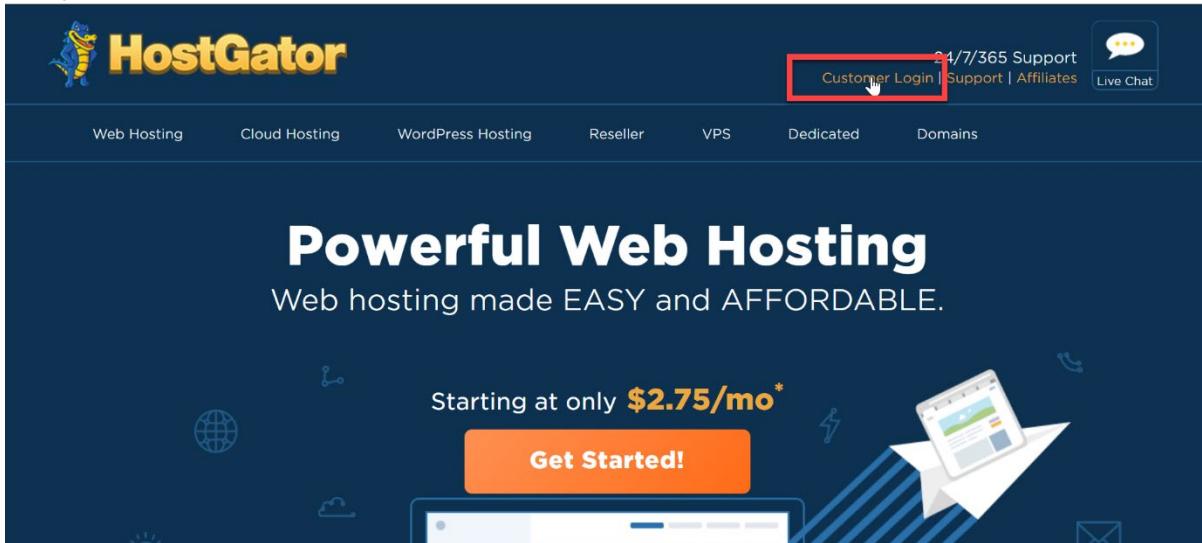
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Step 2.1.3: Login into Hostgator Customer Portal

Now that you have received the email from the Hostgator about the login credentials. Let's use them and login into the Hostgator Customer Portal.

Goto [Hostgator.com](#) -> Click on Customer Portal (Top - Right hand side link)



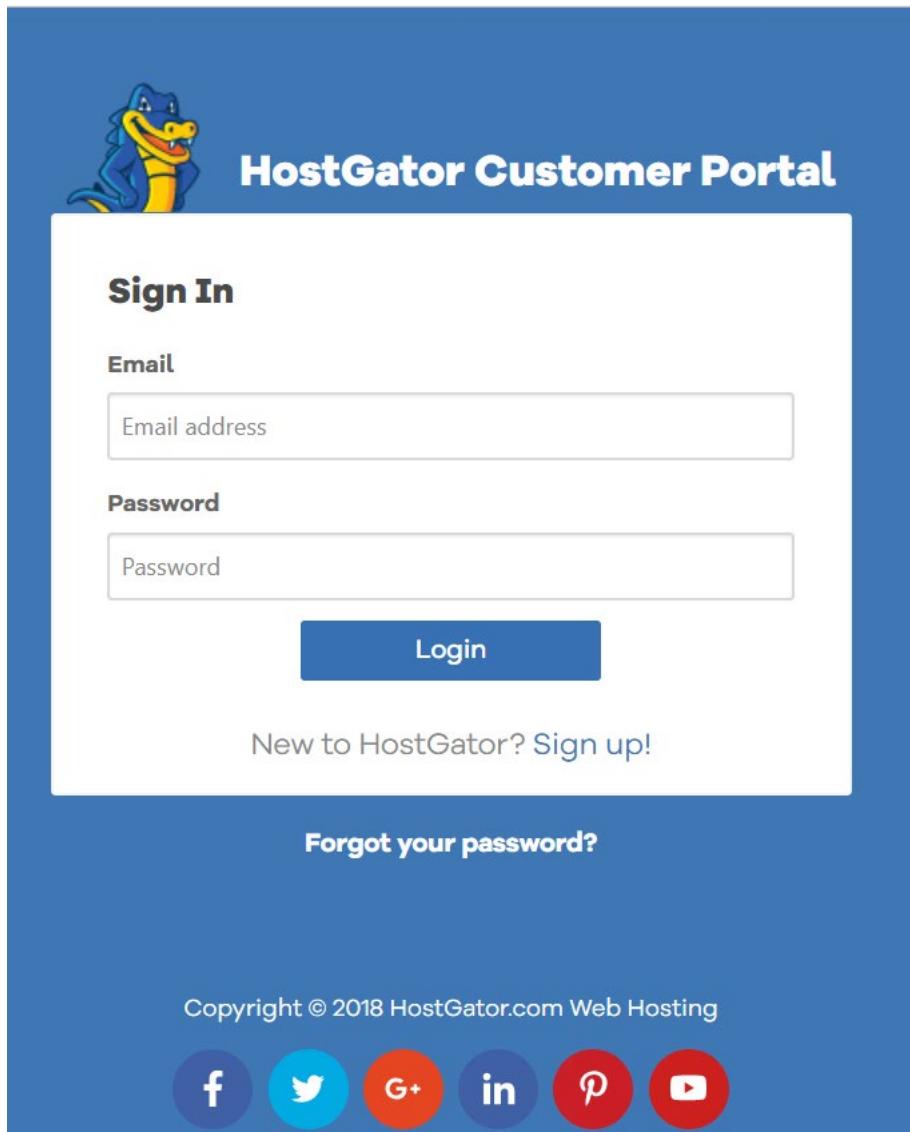
Click on "Portal Login"

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The screenshot shows the HostGator website's login interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Web Hosting, Cloud Hosting, WordPress Hosting, Reseller, VPS, Dedicated, and Domains. To the right of the navigation is a "24/7/365 Support" section with links for Customer Login, Support, and Affiliates, along with a "Live Chat" button. Below the navigation, there's a large central box titled "Choose Your Login:" containing two main options: "HostGator Customer Portal" (with a red box around it) and "GATOR by HostGator". Each option has a corresponding "Login" button. To the left of this box, there's a sidebar with the heading "Powerful Tools" and a list of features: "Host your site", "Build & host sites in the cloud", and "Get 24/7/365 support". To the right, there's another sidebar with the heading "Website Builder" and a list of features: "fast with WYSIWYG editor", "with built-in e-commerce", and "hosting easy.". At the bottom of the central box, there's a note about logging in to GATOR for a new website building experience or accessing the Portal. A URL "https://portal.hostgator.com/login" and a price "Starting at \$2.75/mo*" are also visible.

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Login into the Portal with the Userid and Password that you got in the email.



You should see this screen once you are login into the Hostgator dashboard.

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Step 2.1.4: Change your Password

Once you are logged into the Hostgator Dashboard first thing you need to do is to change your password.

Click on My Account -> Settings -> Change the Password



Once you have changed the password try to logout and login again into the Hostgator Dashboard.

Step 2.1.5: Check your Package and Invoice

You can check your hosting package from here.

Click on My Account -> Packages

Let HostGator help your site with SEO, traffic, and web design. Learn More

Need Help?

My Account » Account Packages

Packages	Filters	Showing 1 of 1
Standard - 2 sites (WP-72162)		Actions
Status	Active	
# of Blogs Available	1	
# of Blogs In Use	1	
Server	wp1087.hostgator.com	

This is the place where you can see your package details and also the details about your server IP address, Expiry Date and Nameserver.

Next let me show you where is your Invoice.

Click on Billing -> Billing History

Billing History

Billing » Billing History

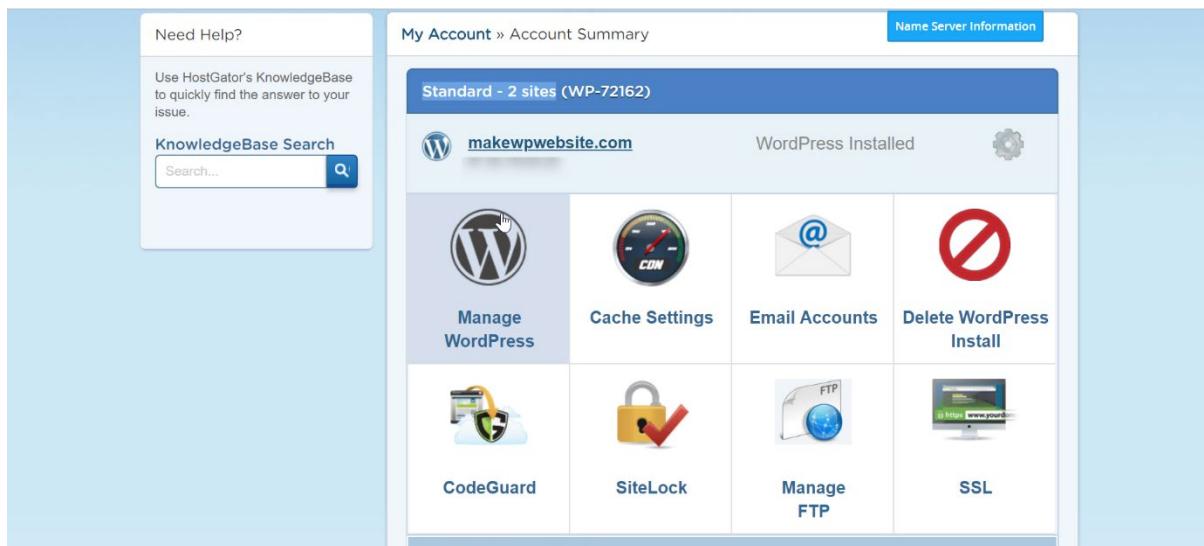
Invoice#	Package	Due Date	Date Paid	Amount Paid
63474948	WP-72162 Standard - 2 sites			

Step 2.1.6: Check your Hosting Package

This is the place which shows the sites that is been installed on your package and also you can do many things from here.

It will show you things like:

- WordPress Sites
- Manage your WordPress Sites
 - Login
 - Delete WordPress Site
 - Cache, Backup and Security
 - Manage FTP
 - Emails



Step 2.1.7: Login into the WordPress Site

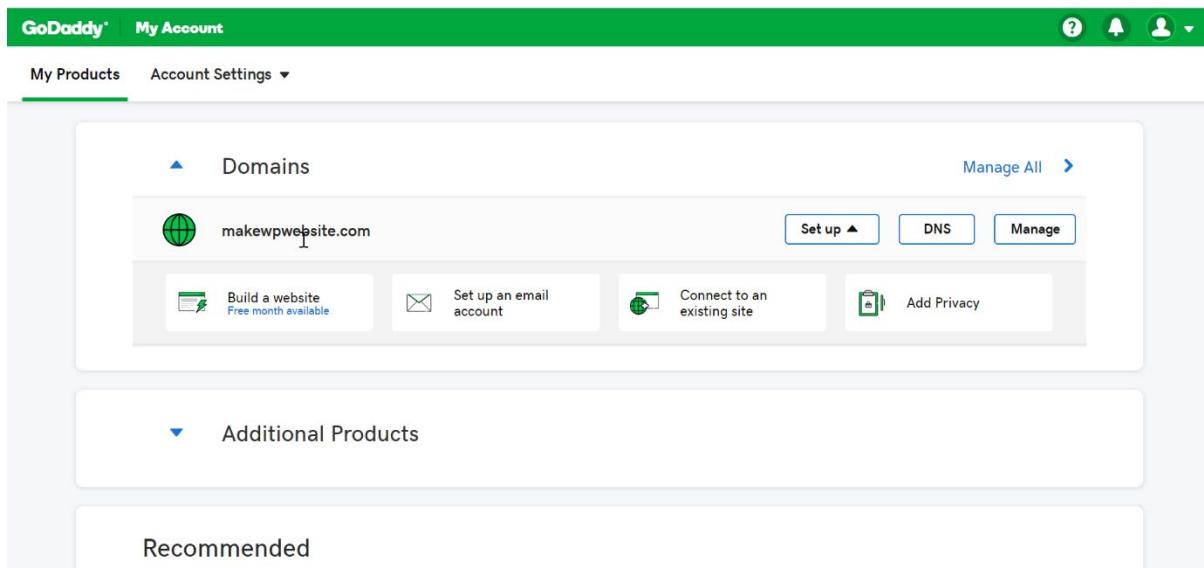
Do not try to login now, it will not work as we have not linked our Hosting Plan with our Domain Name.

Next, we will link our Domain Name – makewpwebsite.com from goDaddy to Web Hosting on Hostgator.com

Step 3: Map Domain Name with Web Hosting

Login into goDaddy

Login into the goDaddy.com Dashboard. Check Step 1.2 to see how to login into the goDaddy.com with your account details.

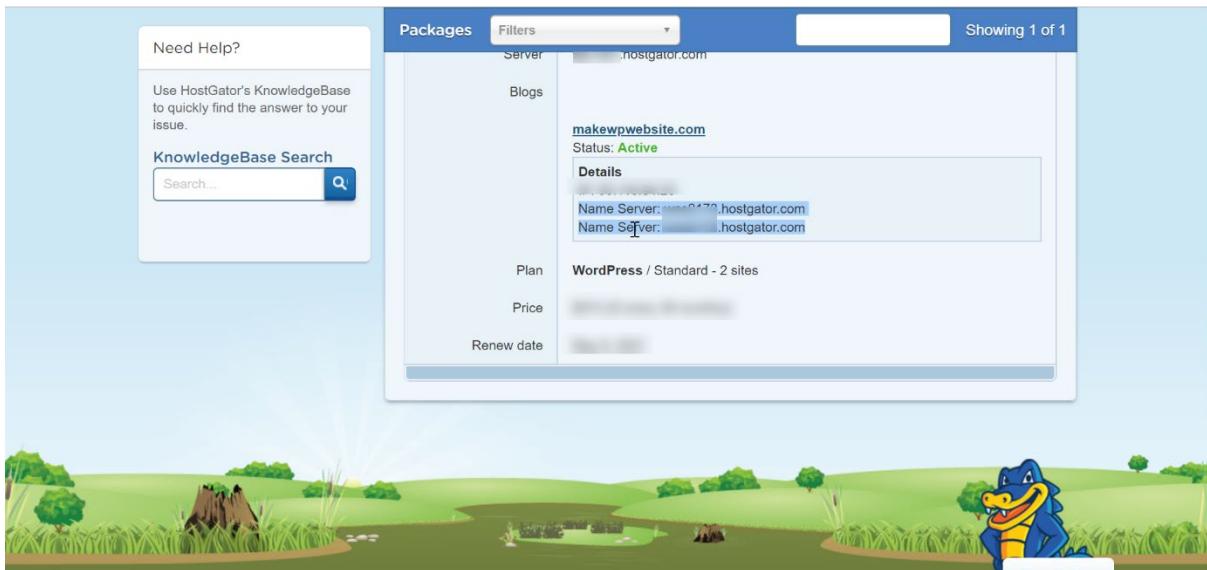


Login into Hostgator

Login into the Hostgator.com and find the nameserver details of your server.

My Account -> Packages

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You will find the nameserver details under this section and format is something like this

wp1234.hostgator.com
wp5678.hostgator.com

This is the address of your server where your WordPress site is deployed.

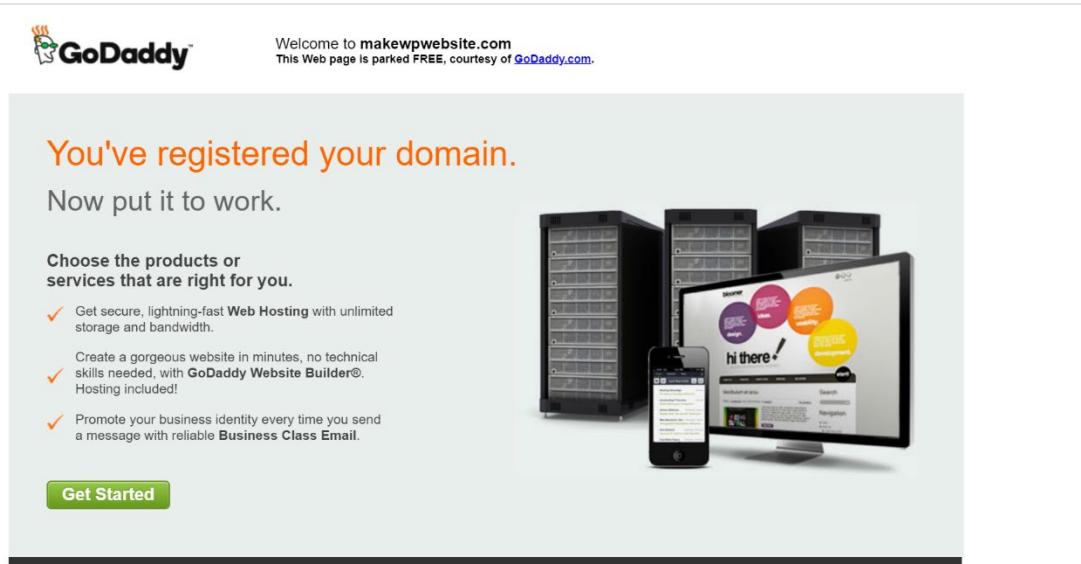
Now we need to point our Domain to this location.

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Before, we go and do the configure let's check our website by typing the domain name in the browser.

Check your Site without Configuration

Without any configuration, you can see that our domain name is still pointing to goDaddy.com and that is by default



Change the DNS in goDaddy.com

Back to the goDaddy.com dashboard now click on the “DNS” button.

A screenshot of the GoDaddy My Account dashboard. The top navigation bar shows "GoDaddy" and "My Account". Below it, "My Products" is underlined. The main content area has a "Domains" section where "makewpwebsite.com" is listed with a red box around it. To the right of the domain, there are buttons for "Set up", "Manage All", "DNS" (which has a red box and a red arrow pointing to it), and "Manage". Below the domains, there are sections for "Additional Products" and "Recommended". A red arrow points from the text "CLICK HERE" in the "Additional Products" section down to the "DNS" button. The URL "https://www.srinivasit.com/" is visible at the bottom left, and "Page 59" is at the bottom right.

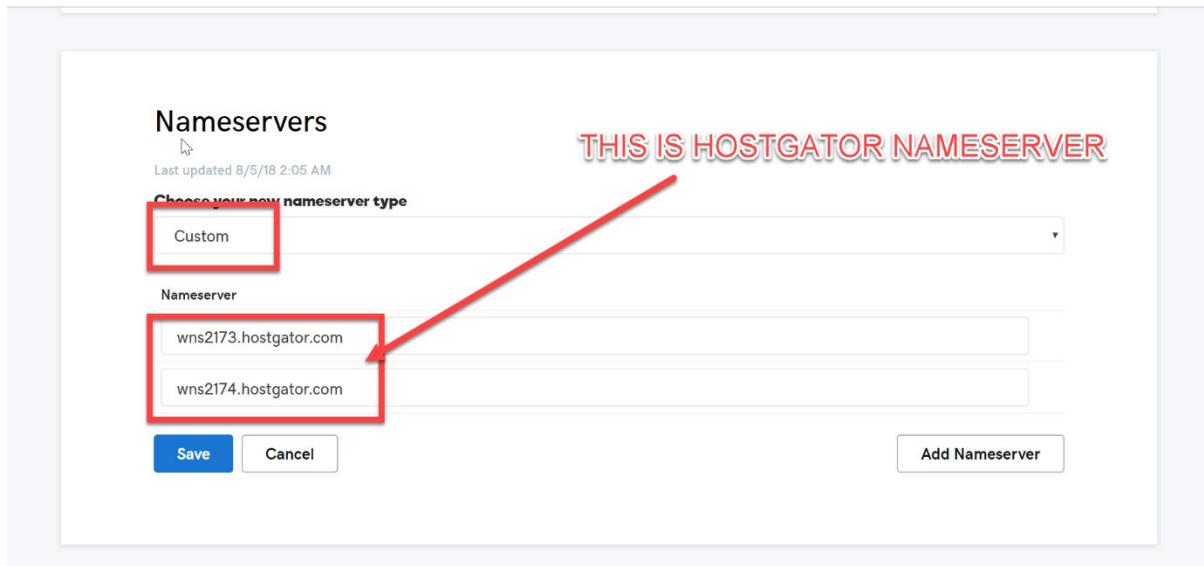
Default Nameserver:

Before we make any changes to the nameserver you can find that the default is pointed to goDaddy.com nameserver.

The screenshot shows a web-based management interface for domain names. At the top right, there is a blue 'ADD' button. Below it, a large central box is titled 'Nameservers'. Inside this box, the text 'Last updated 8/5/18 2:05 AM' is displayed. Underneath, there is a section labeled 'Using default nameservers' with a 'Change' button. Two nameserver entries are listed: 'ns37.domaincontrol.com' and 'ns38.domaincontrol.com'. The entire interface is set against a light gray background with white borders around the main sections.

Change the NameServer

Click on “Change” button and Enter the Hostgator nameserver.



Give 24 hours to update the Nameserver

It will take about 24 hours to reflect this change. So, do not change this setting very often.

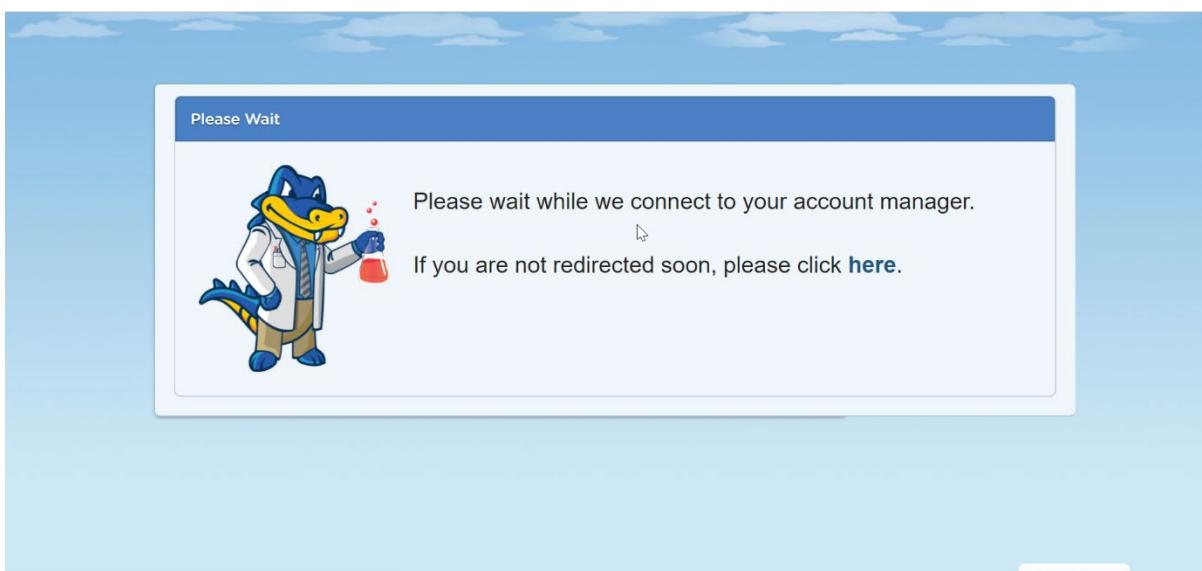
After 24 hours, our website – makewpwebsite.com will point to Hostgator WordPress site.

Login into the Hostgator site and Goto Hosting -> Manage WordPress

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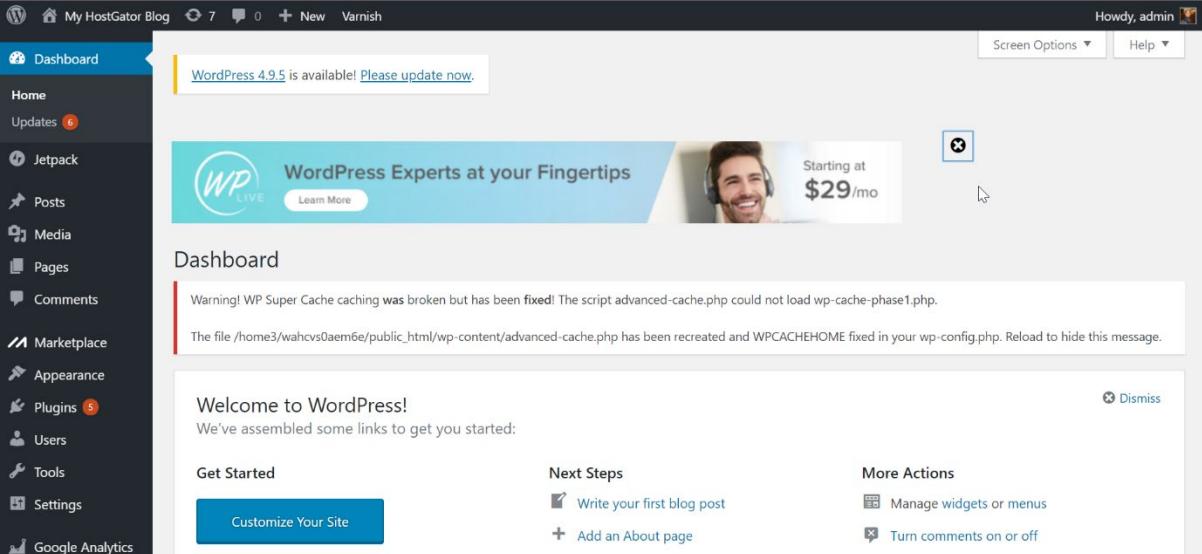


Redirecting Screen....



You should now successfully login into the WordPress Site.

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The screenshot shows the WordPress Admin Dashboard. On the left is a sidebar with various menu items: Home, Updates (6), Jetpack, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, Marketplace, Appearance, Plugins (5), Users, Tools, Settings, and Google Analytics. The main area has a banner for 'WP LIVE' with the text 'WordPress Experts at your Fingertips' and 'Learn More'. Below the banner, there's a message about WP Super Cache being fixed. The central part of the dashboard features a 'Welcome to WordPress!' message, a 'Get Started' button, and a 'Customize Your Site' button. To the right, there are sections for 'Next Steps' (Write your first blog post, Add an About page) and 'More Actions' (Manage widgets or menus, Turn comments on or off). The top right corner shows the user 'Howdy, admin' and links for 'Screen Options' and 'Help'.

Congratulations! This is WordPress Admin Dashboard.

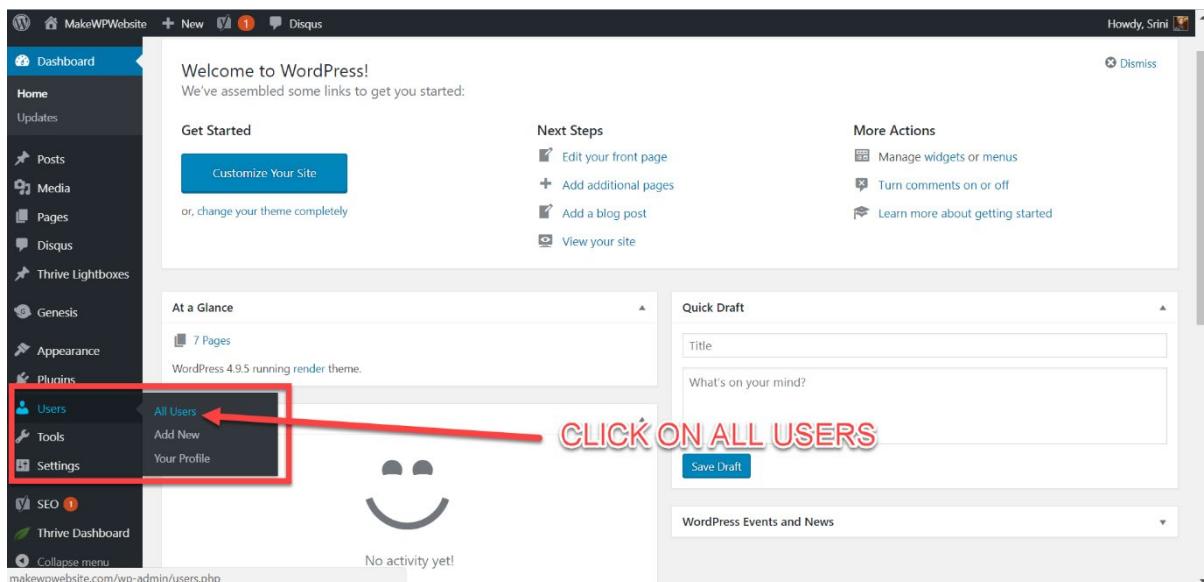
Next Step 4, You will learn how to login and logout WordPress.

Step 4: Change WordPress Password

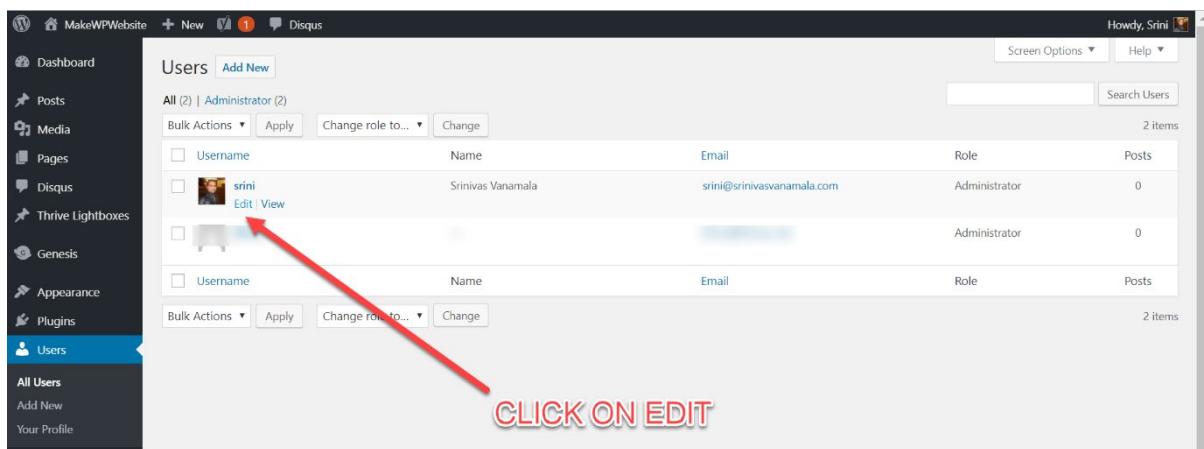
Step 4.1: Change WordPress Login Password

If you are already logged into your WordPress Dashboard from your previous step then

Click on Users -> All Users



Find your admin user and then click on Edit



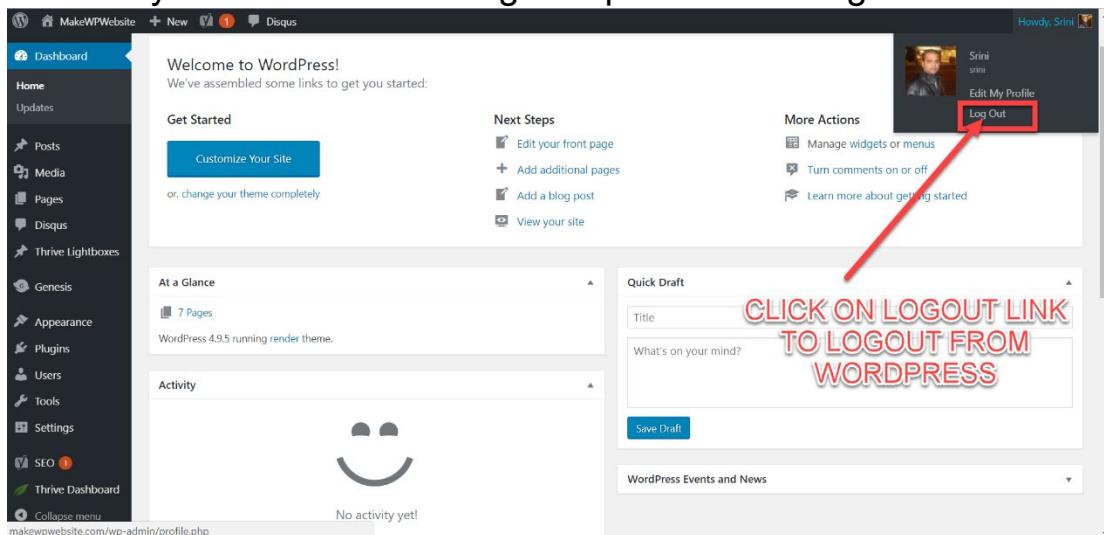
Enter the New Password and Save the User.

Step 5: Login and Logout from WordPress

Step 5.1: Logout and Login into WordPress

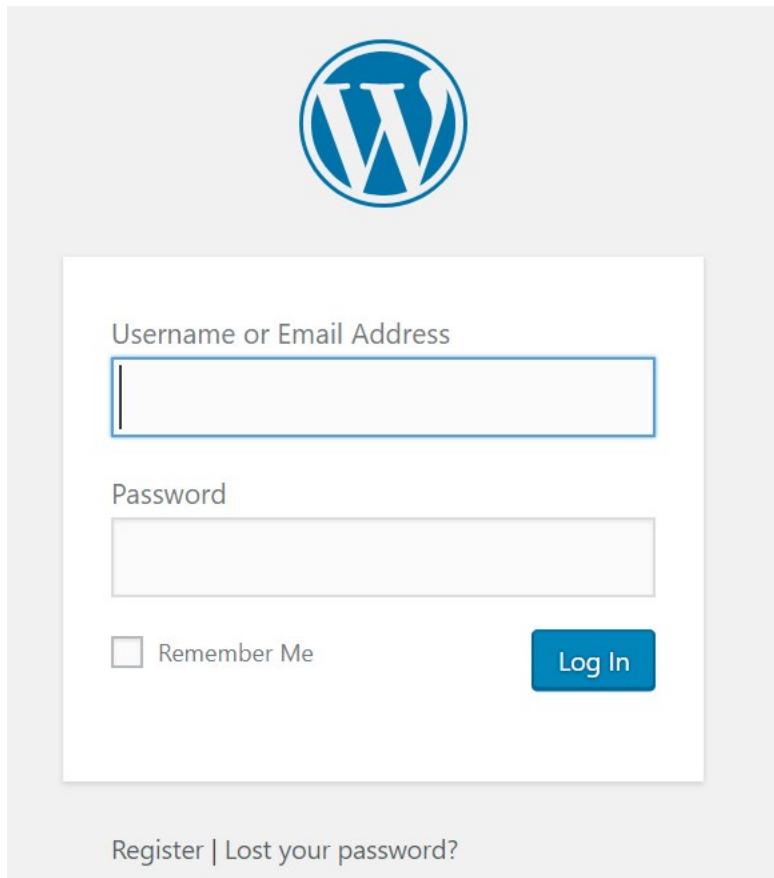
After you have changed password try to logout and check if the new password is working or not.

Click on your Profile Pic on Right Top Corner -> Logout



Enter your Userid and Password to login again.

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Step 6: Organize your New Site

Once you are logged into the WordPress then you have to organize your site by deleting the unwanted things and installing the important things for your site.

Also, you need to check the site speed from time to time to see if any changes affect the site performance.

We will perform the following things:

- Before - Check the Site Performance
- Change the Title and Tagline of the Site
- Verify the Email ID of the Site
- Create a Gravatar with your EmailID
- Change Permalinks
- Remove unwanted Plugins
- Install New Plugins
 - Comments Spam
 - Yoast SEO
 - Login Spam
 - Contact Forms
 - Cache Plugins
- Configure New Plugins
- After - Check your Site Performance

Step 6.1: Check your Site Performance

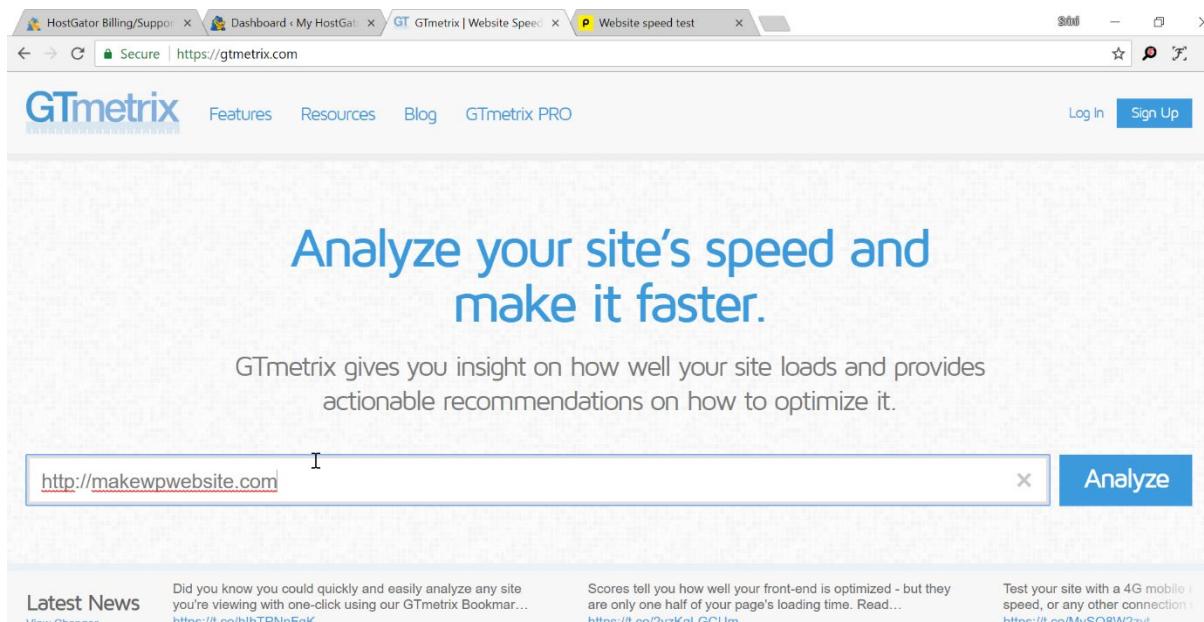
Before you make any changes to your site or even write a simple blog first thing you need to do is to find out what is your site performance.

Once you know your starting point then any further changes you can compare the new benchmark with the starting point benchmark.

There are two sites that can help to check the site performance.

1. [GTMertix](#)
2. [Pingdom](#)

Visit <https://gtmetrix.com/> and Enter your website address to see the site performance.



Enter your Site URL and Click on “Analyze” Button

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Here is the Analysis Report from GTMetrix looks like

Latest Performance Report for:
http://makewpwebsite.com/

Report generated: Wed, May 9, 2018, 5:37 AM -0700
Test Server Region: Canada
Using: Chrome (Desktop) 62.0.3202.94, PageSpeed 1.15-gt1, YSlow 3.1.8
Additional tips: Optimize WordPress

Performance Scores

PageSpeed Score A (97%) ^	YSlow Score C (78%) ^
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Page Details

Fully Loaded Time 0.9s ^	Total Page Size 271KB ^	Requests 15 ^
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PageSpeed YSlow Waterfall Timings Video History

RECOMMENDATION GRADE TYPE PRIORITY

▼ Defer parsing of JavaScript	A (91)	JS	HIGH
▼ Leverage browser caching	A (92)	SERVER	HIGH

What do my scores mean?
Rules are sorted in order of impact upon score
Optimizing rules at the top of the list can

Visit tools.pingdom.com and Enter your site name to test.

Pingdom Website Speed Test

Enter a URL to test the load time of that page, analyze it and find bottlenecks.

URL: http://makewpwebsite.com

Test from: New York City, New York, USA

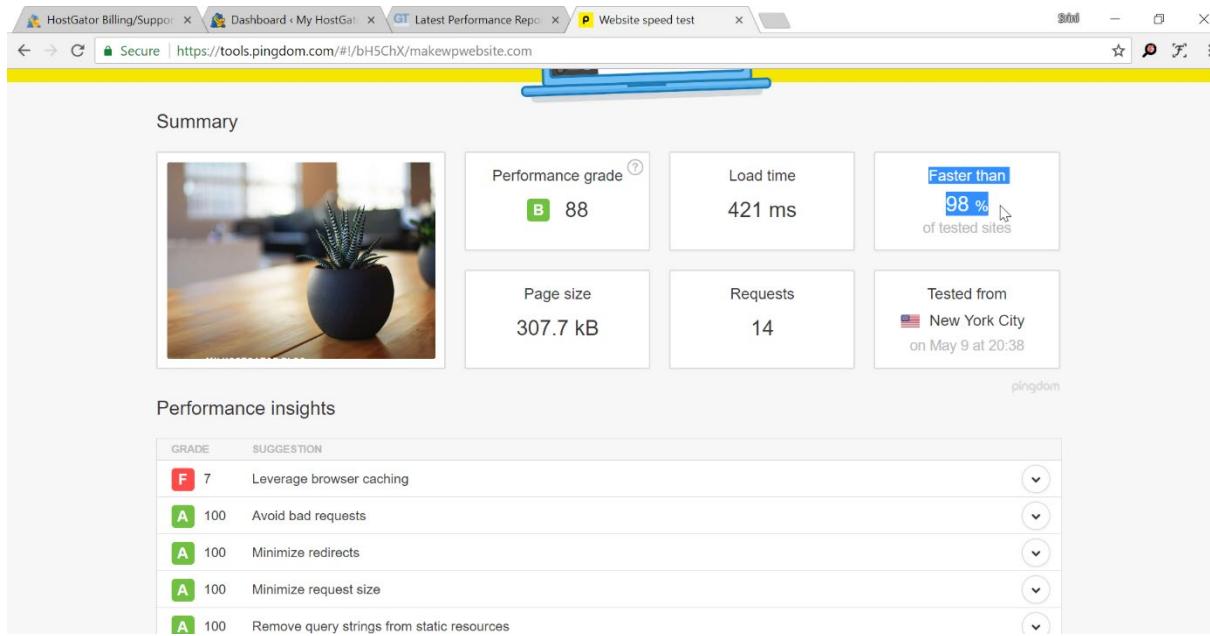
START TEST

Sign up for free to test your site every minute

SIGN UP FOR FREE

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Here are the results

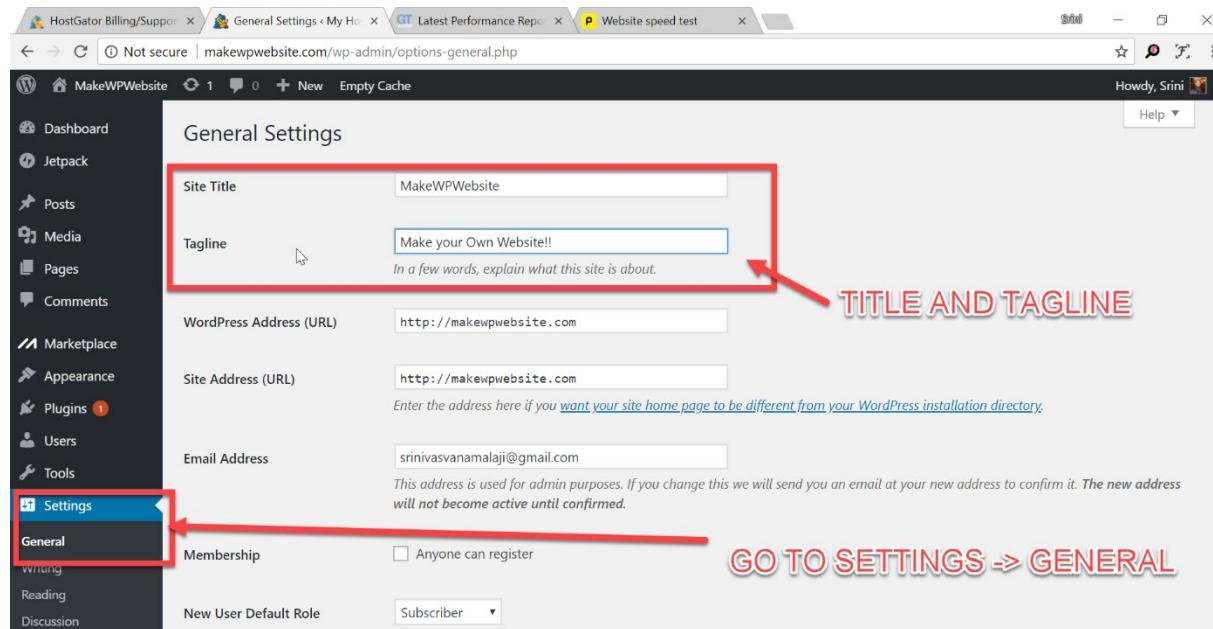


The two results are our benchmark from the fresh installation. Any changes should improve this situation and not degrade it.

Step 6.2: Change the Site Title and Tagline

You should change your Site Title and Tagline based on your company profile.

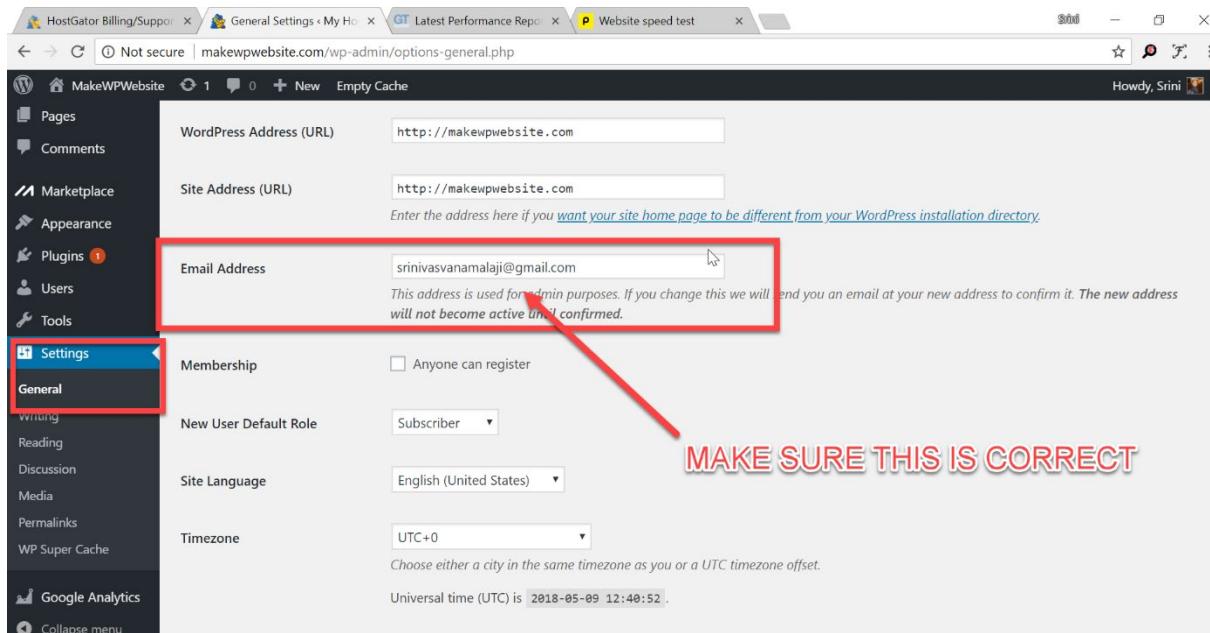
Goto Settings -> General and then change the Site Title and Tagline



Step 6.3: Verify the EMAIL ID

Make sure you have provided valid Email ID in the WordPress settings.

Goto Settings -> General and You find the field Email Address



Step 6.4: Create a Gravatar

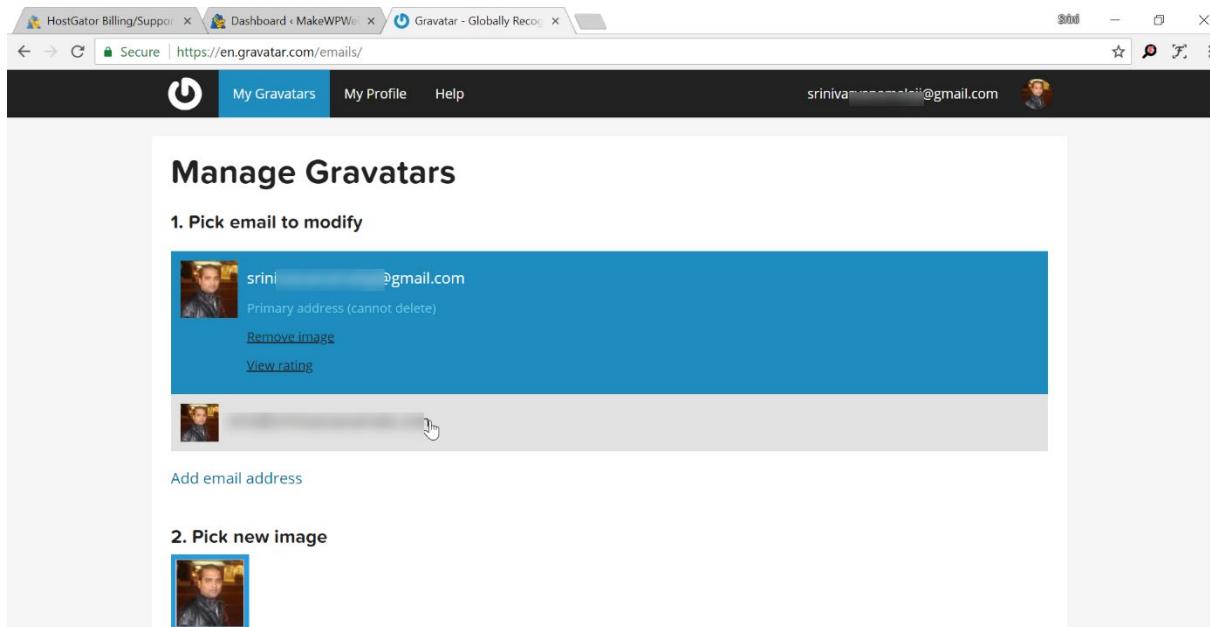
Visit Gravatar Site - <https://en.gravatar.com/>

Gravatar is a Globally Recognized Profile Pic (Avatar) attached to your email ID.

Create an Account with the same EMAIL ID that is used in your Site as and configured as above.

Upload your Profile Pic and Make sure it is attached to the email address.

After you do this, any site that uses Gravatar will pull your profile image from here and display on their site. In this way, you no need to start uploading your pic to every site.



Step 6.5: Change Permalinks

Permalinks are URL format that you want to show to all users when they visit your posts.

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Goto Settings -> Permalinks

Change the Format to %category%/%postname%

The screenshot shows the WordPress admin dashboard with the 'Permalinks' section selected in the left sidebar. The main area displays various permalink structures. A red box highlights the 'Custom Structure' input field, which contains the value `http://makewpwebsite.com /%category%/%postname%`. Below this field is a list of available tags: %year%, %monthnum%, %day%, %hour%, %minute%, %second%, %post_id%, %postname%, %category%, and %author%. The 'Optional' section includes fields for 'Category base' and 'Tag base', both currently empty.

Step 6.6: Remove Unwanted Plugins

Goto Plugins and Remove all the Plugins and make sure you only have the plugins shown as below.

The screenshot shows the WordPress admin interface under the 'Plugins' section. The left sidebar has 'Plugins' selected. The main area shows a list of installed plugins. Two specific plugins are highlighted with red boxes: 'Akismet Anti-Spam' and 'Varnish HTTP Purge'. A large red box surrounds the entire list area. Below the list, a red banner with white text reads 'DELETE EVERYTHING EXCEPT THIS TWO'.

Step 6.7: Install the Important Plugins

To install a Plugins goto Plugins -> Add New and then Type the Plugin name and Click Install and Then Activate.

The screenshot shows the 'Add Plugins' page in the WordPress admin. The left sidebar has 'Add New' selected. The main area shows a grid of plugin cards. The search bar at the top right is highlighted with a red box. A red box also highlights the 'Add New' button in the sidebar. The plugin cards include 'Contact Form 7', 'Yoast SEO', 'Akismet Anti-Spam', and 'Jetpack by WordPress.com'.

List of all the Plugins that you need to install:

1. Akismet Anti-Spam – To Stop SPAM Comments
2. Yoast SEO – SEO Purpose
3. Simple Google reCAPTCHA - Michal Novák
4. WPForms Lite – WPForms – Create Forms
5. Autoptimize – Futta – Improve Site Performance
6. W3 Total Cache – Improve Site Performance

All the links are provided in the last downloads & links section.

Step 6.8: Check Site Performance

GTMetrix:

The screenshot shows the GTmetrix website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Home, Features, Resources, Blog, and GTmetrix PRO. On the right, there are buttons for Log In and Sign Up. Below the navigation, a banner displays a small image of a potted plant on a desk and the text "Latest Performance Report for: http://makewpwebsite.com/". Underneath the banner, it says "Report generated: Wed, May 9, 2018, 6:11 AM -0700" and "Test Server Region: CA Vancouver, Canada". It also mentions "Using: Chrome (Desktop) 62.0.3202.94, PageSpeed 1.15-gt1, YSlow 3.1.8". A sidebar on the right contains buttons for Re-Test, Compare, Page Settings, Monitor, Set Up Alerts, and Download PDF. Below the main content area, there are sections for "Performance Scores" (PageSpeed Score A (97%) and YSlow Score B (88%)) and "Page Details" (Fully Loaded Time 0.9s, Total Page Size 659KB, Requests 20). At the bottom, there are tabs for PageSpeed, YSlow, Waterfall, Timings, Video, and History.

PINGDOM:

The screenshot shows the Pingdom website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Home, Support, Gravatar, Latest Performance Report, and Website speed test. Below the navigation, a yellow banner encourages users to "Sign up for free to test your site every minute" and features an illustration of a computer monitor displaying performance metrics. A green "SIGN UP FOR FREE" button is visible. The main content area starts with a "Summary" section containing a small image of a potted plant on a desk, followed by four boxes: "Performance grade" (A 91), "Load time" (841 ms), "Faster than" (92 % of tested sites), "Page size" (709.2 kB), "Requests" (19), and "Tested from" (New York City on May 9 at 21:12). Below the summary is a "Performance insights" section with two rows of suggestions: "Remove query strings from static resources" (Grade F, Score 35) and "Leverage browser caching" (Grade A, Score 93). Each suggestion has a dropdown arrow next to it.

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Site performance has improved from starting point and the plugins that we have installed are much better than the one that is preinstalled.

Make this habit of checking your site performance before and after any changes to observe any issues.

Step 7: Install and Configure Themes

In this Step 7, You will clean up all the unused themes that is preinstalled on the WordPress. Do this activity as it will help you learn how to clean up theme in future.

It is good practise to continuously keep your WordPress site with less themes and Plugins.

What is a WordPress Theme?

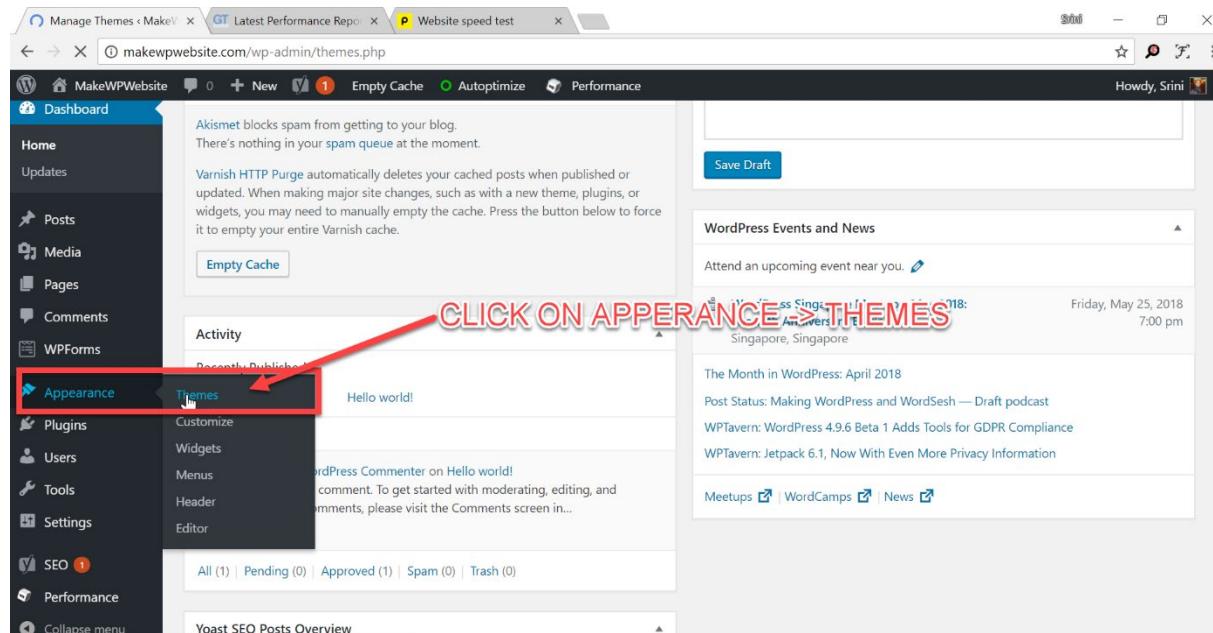
WordPress theme are templates that you can use to change your site layout and design. It contains some set of HTML, CSS, JS & PHP files that overwrite the default layout and create a new Layout.

When you are using WordPress you don't spend much time building a theme but you purchase or use a free theme and then start configuring it. You may change little bit of the theme if necessary.

Step 7.1: How to Delete the Unused Theme

Login into your WordPress site and then

Click on Appearance -> Theme as shown below.

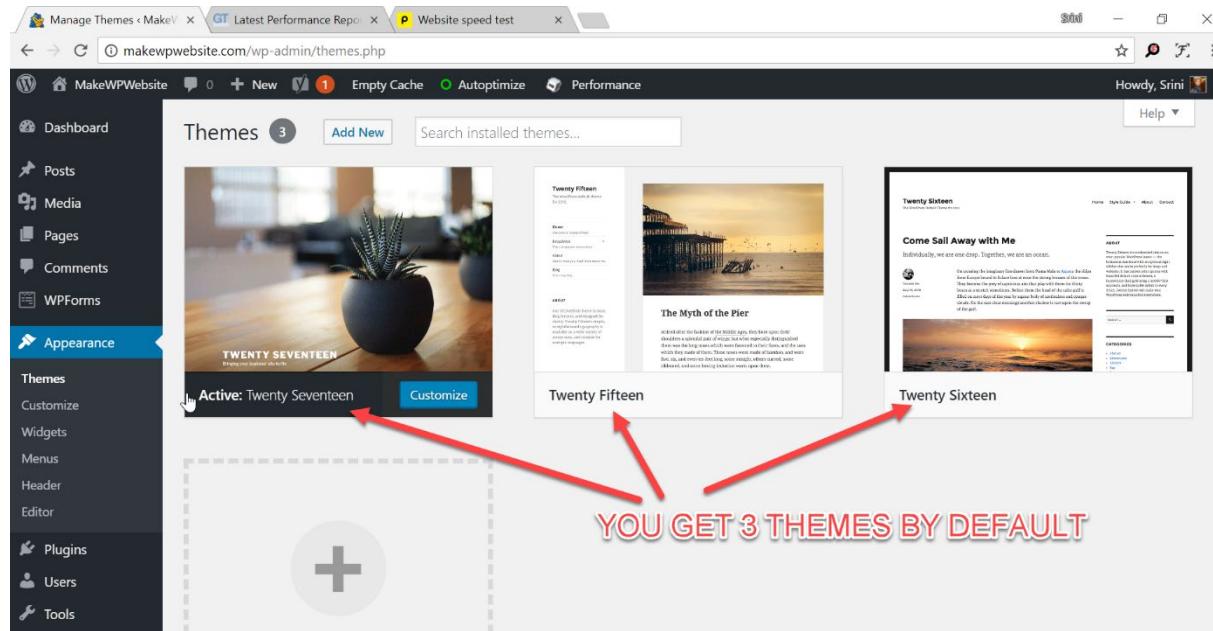


This will show all the themes that are installed on your WordPress Site.

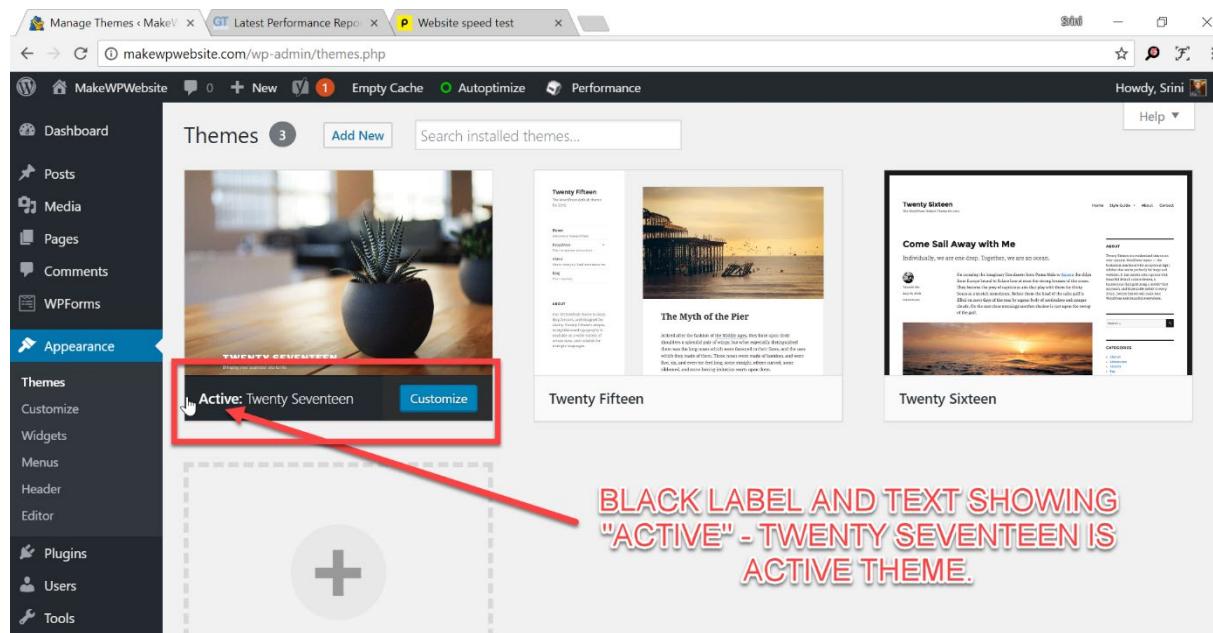
You get three themes by default with WordPress:

1. Twenty Seventeen
2. Twenty Fifteen
3. Twenty Sixteen

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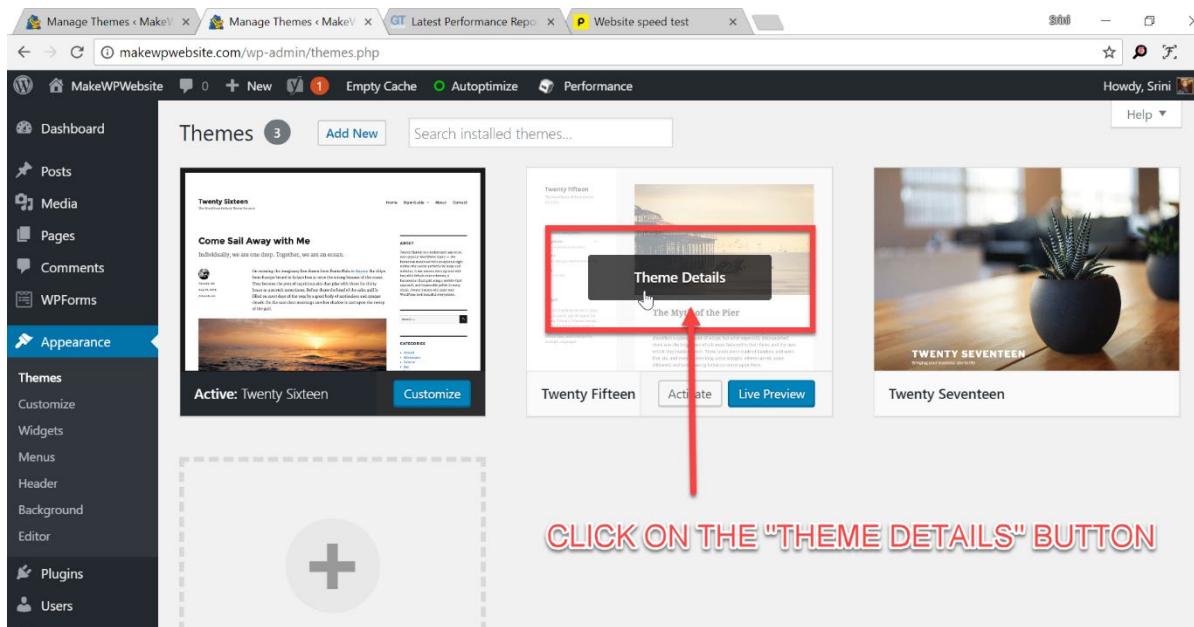
Can you guess which theme is the active theme by looking at the picture?



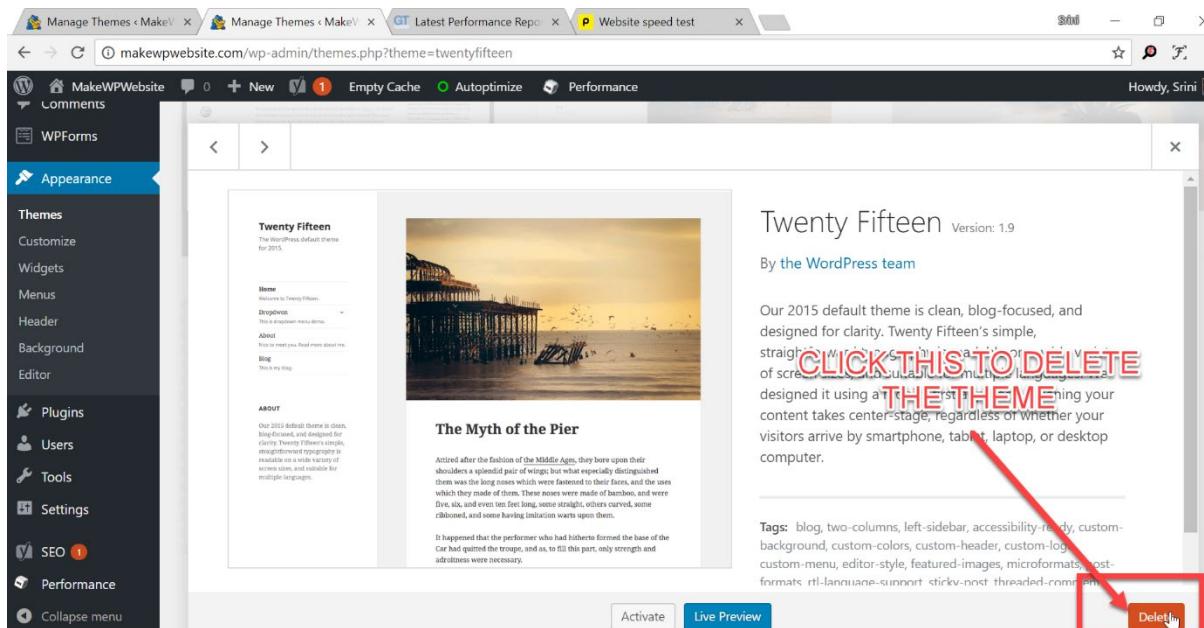
The text under the theme says it is “Active”.

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Let's now delete the rest of the themes.

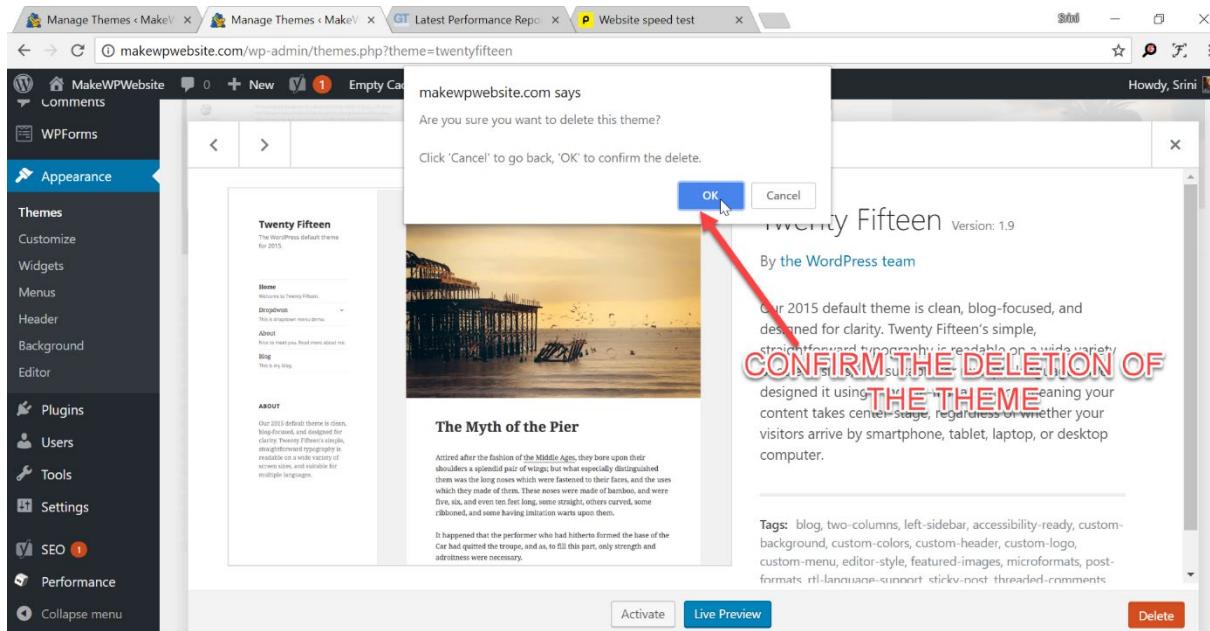


Click on “Delete” Button

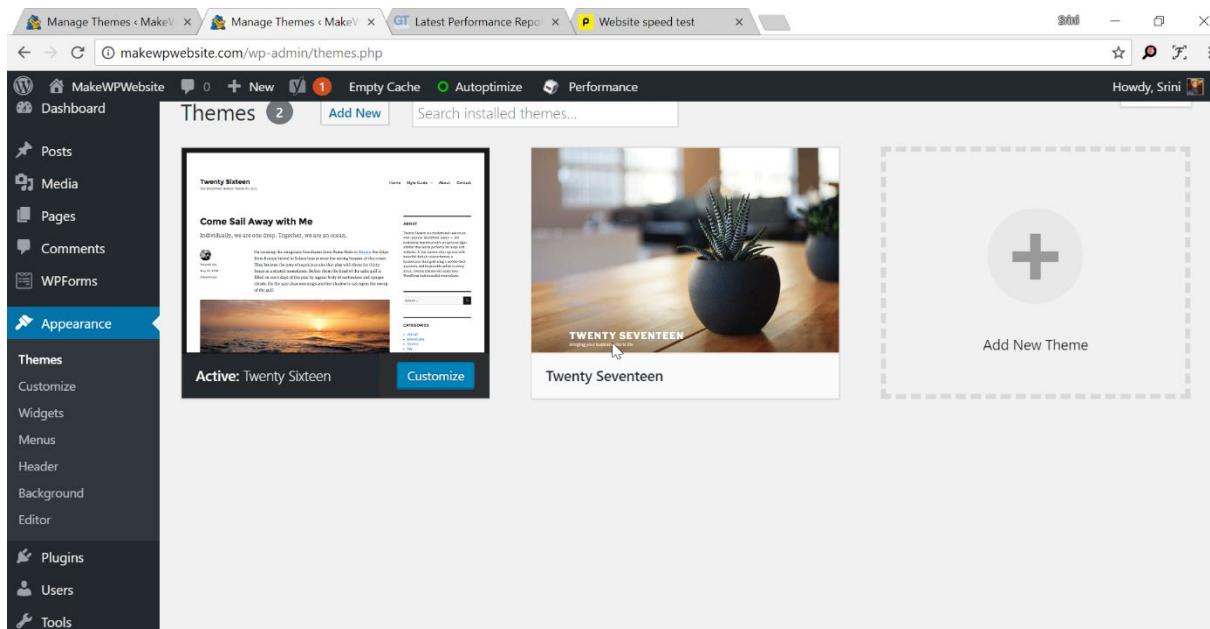


Confirm if you want to delete the theme:

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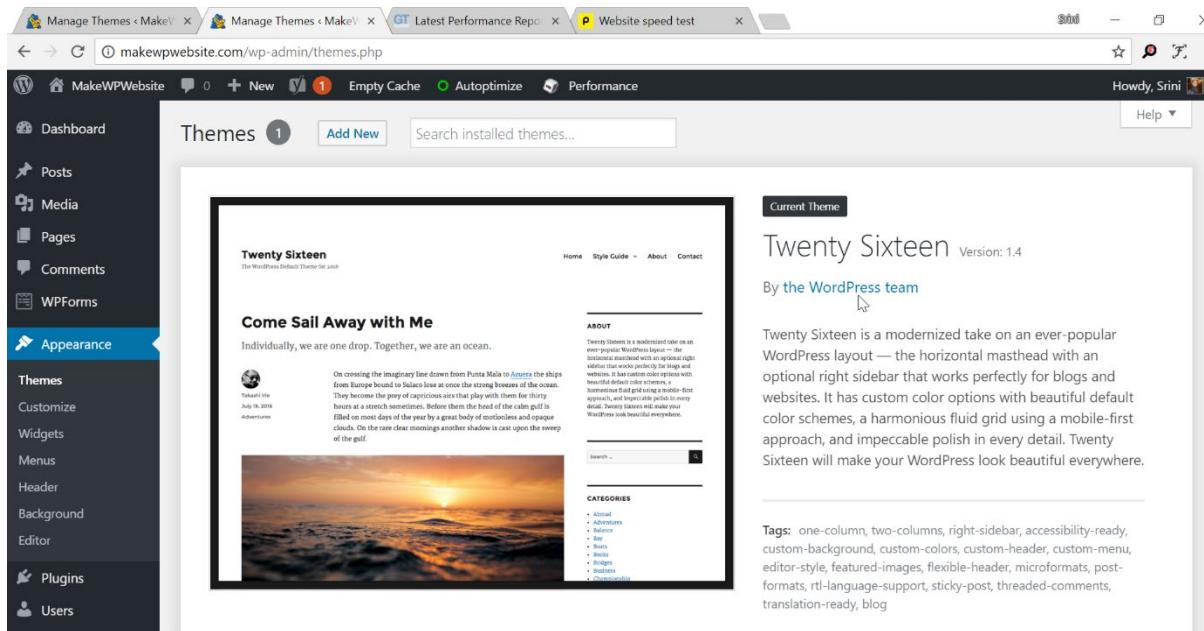


Verify if the theme is deleted. You should NOT able to see the theme that you just deleted.



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Continue to delete the other theme and see if your page looks like this.
Theme Page should show only one theme.



Step 7.2: How to Install Genesis Framework Theme

What is Genesis?

Genesis is one of the famous WordPress framework from StudioPress using which you can build solid WordPress site.

You can never go wrong with StudioPress themes and I have been using it for years on plenty of sites. None of the theme gave me any issues.

I highly recommend not to use the Genesis framework for your future projects as well.

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Download Genesis Framework

I have given the Download link for Genesis Framework Theme at the end of this book. Please download this theme from there.

[Download the Genesis Framework Theme from here:](#)

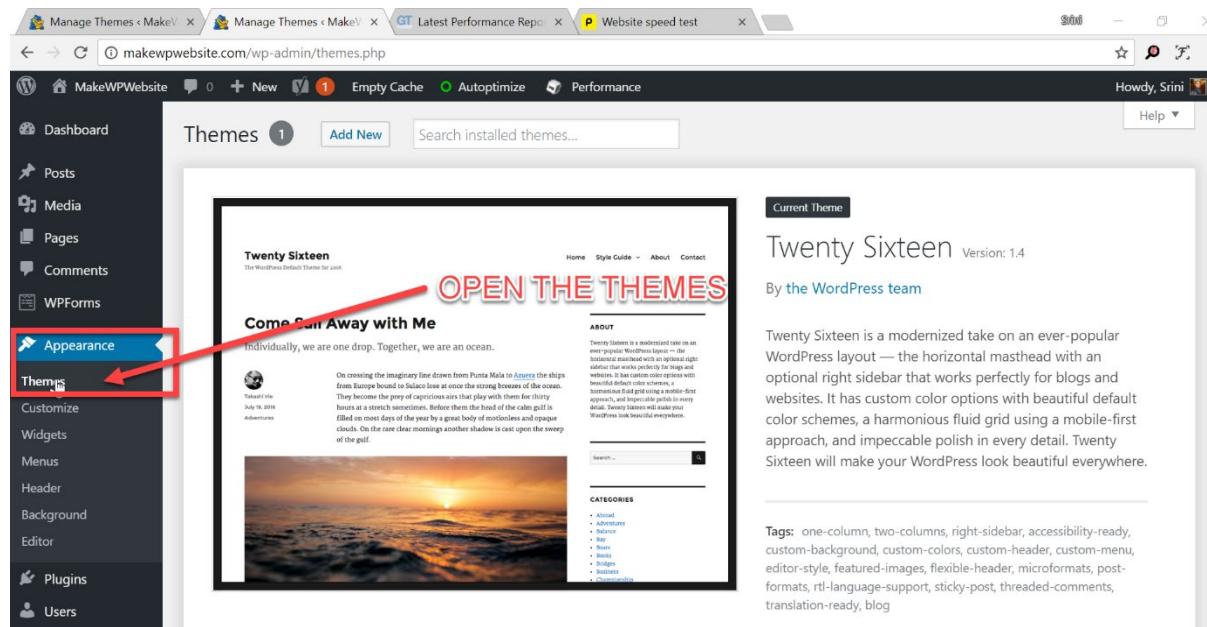
[Download Genesis Theme for FREE](#)

You can also download it for free from [StudioPress.com](#)

Upload Genesis Framework Theme

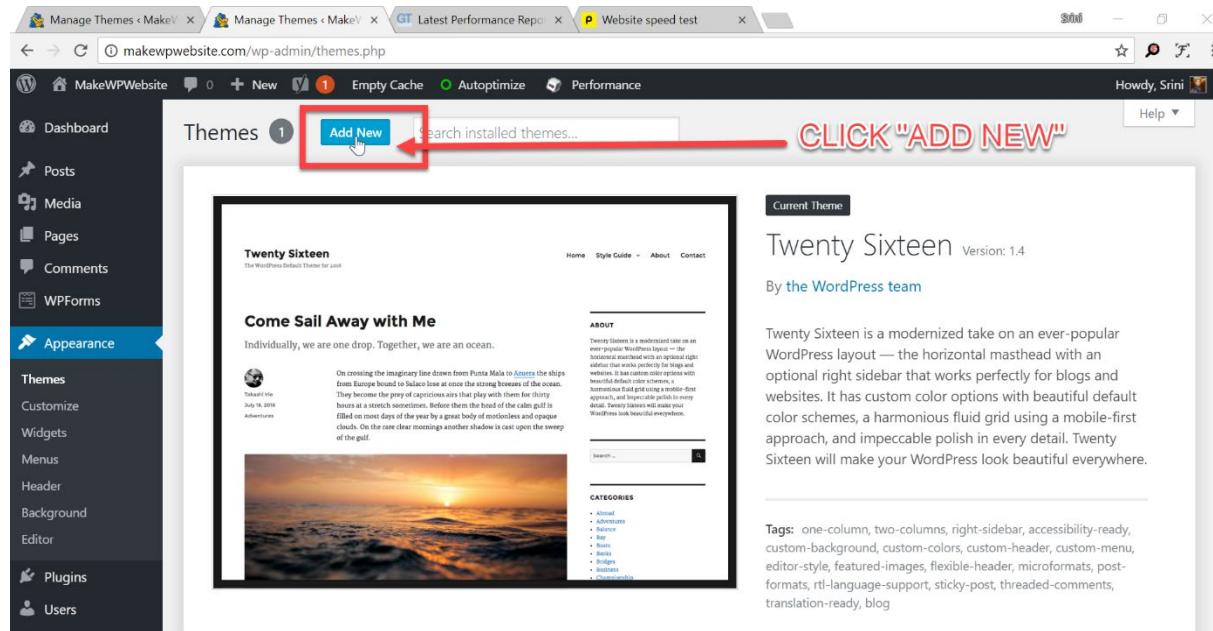
You need to download the Genesis theme first in-order to proceed further on this step.

Click on Appearance -> Themes

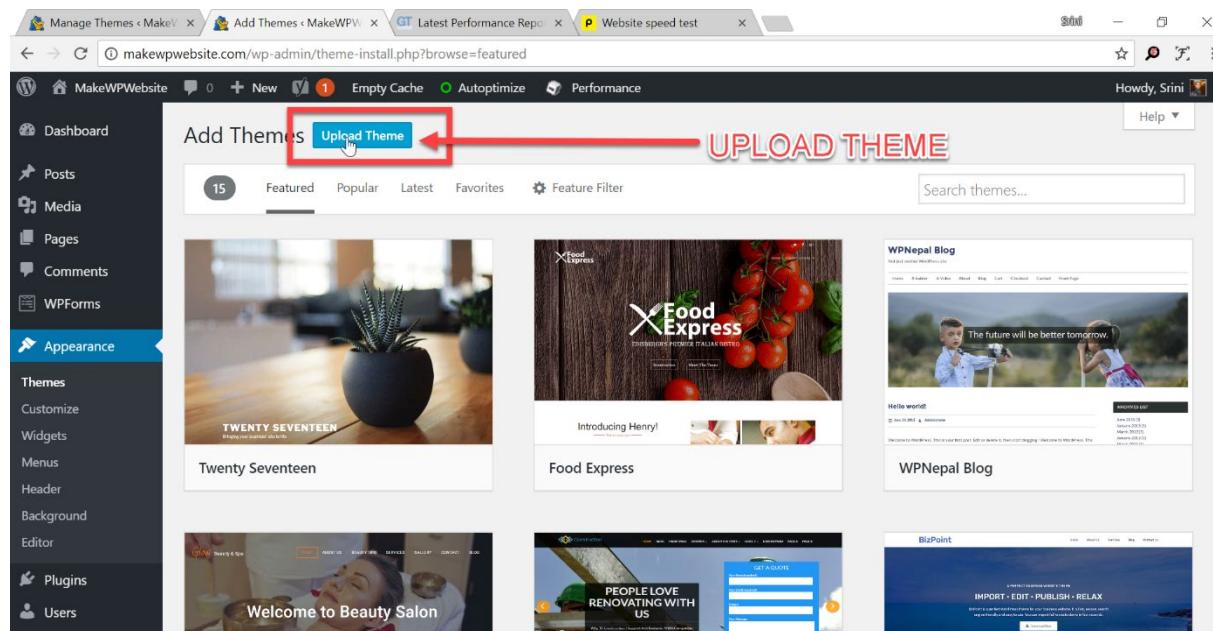


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Click on “Add New” Button on the Top

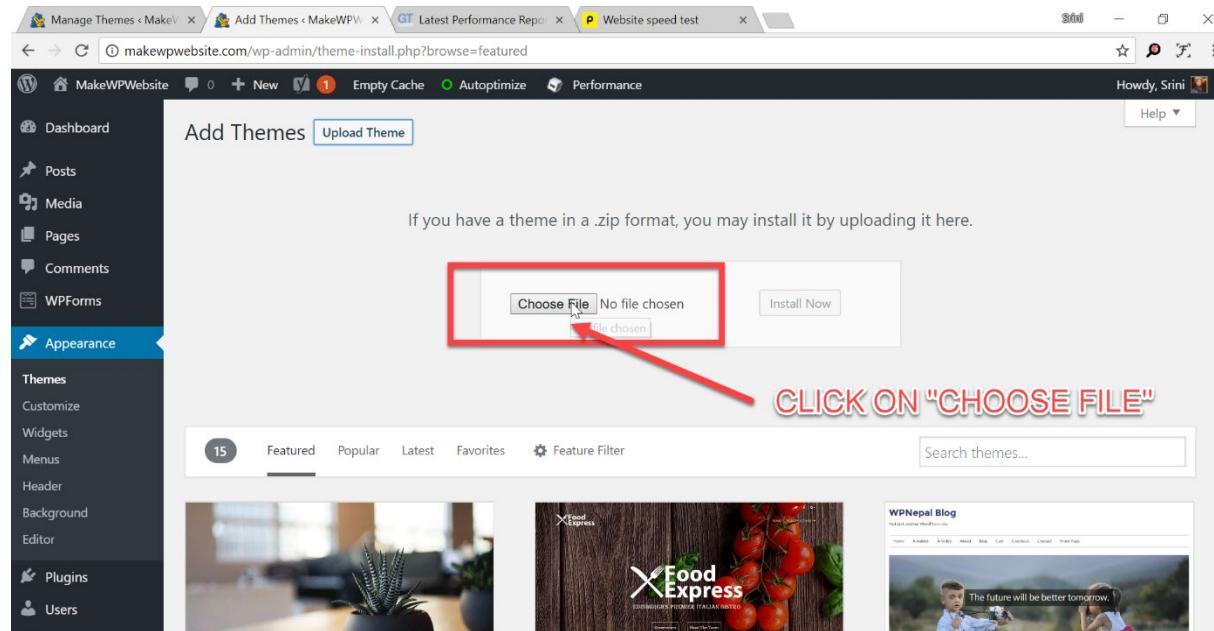


Click on “Upload Theme”

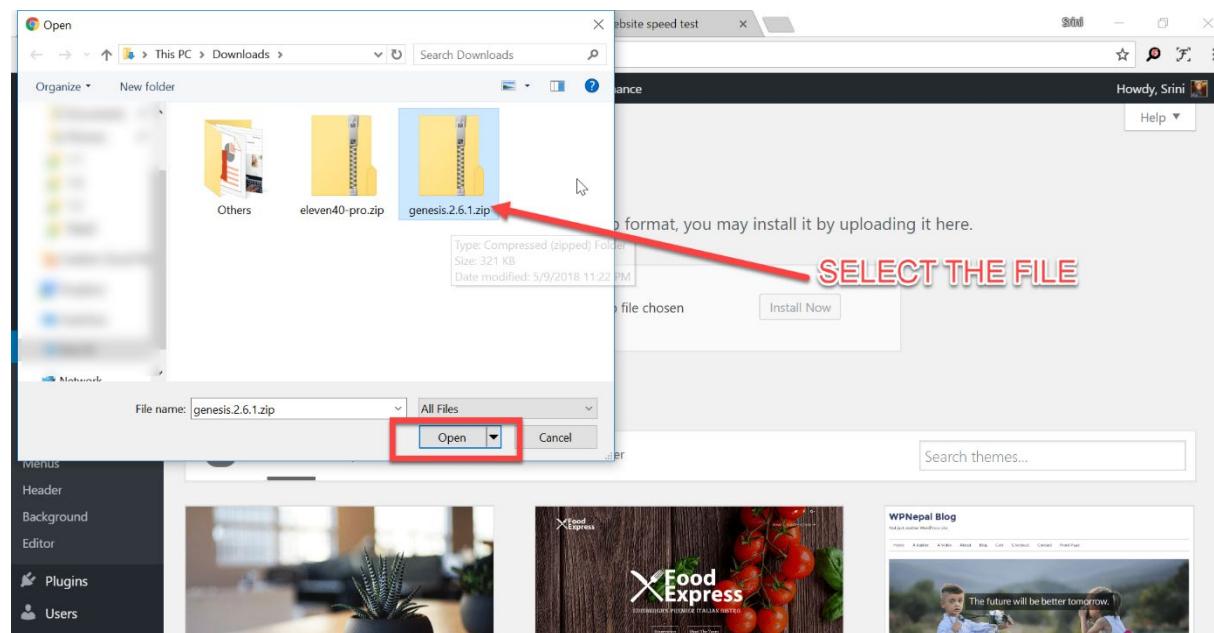


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Click on “Choose File” and Select the Genesis Zip File



CLICK ON "CHOOSE FILE"

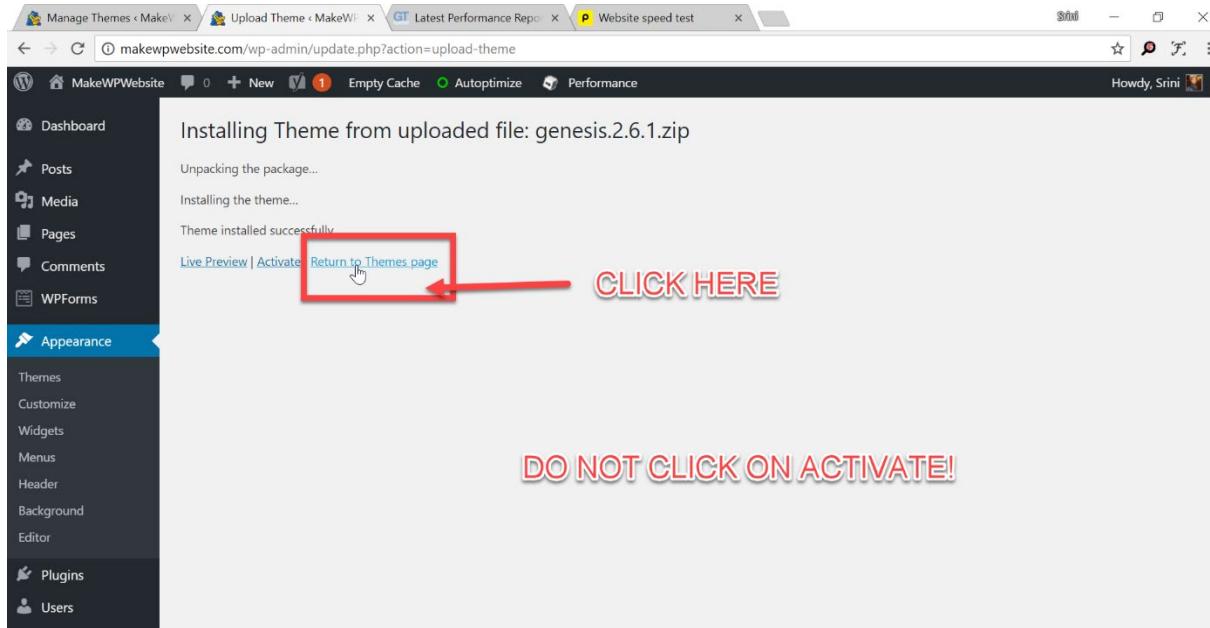


SELECT THE FILE

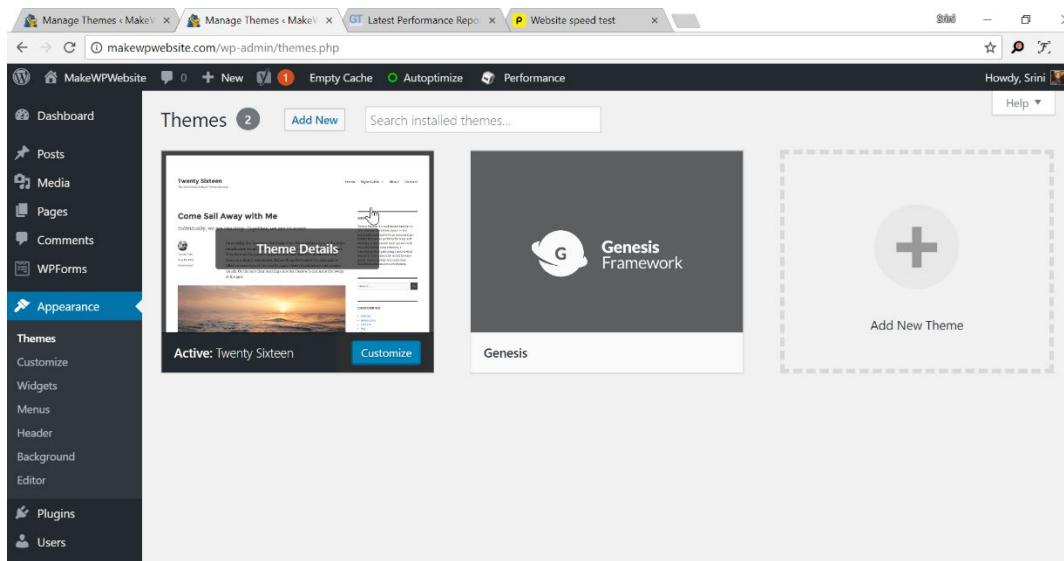
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Click on Install Now

Do not Activate the theme just go back to Themes Page.

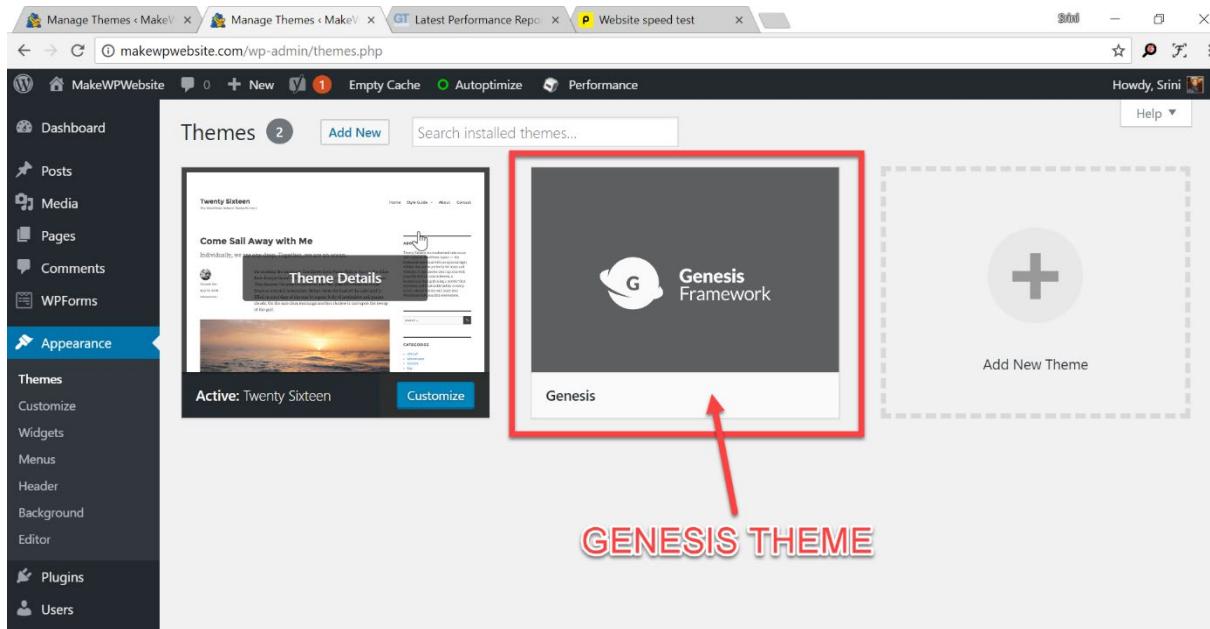


This is how the Theme file should look like. Genesis theme is not activated.



Verify Genesis Framework Theme

You can go to Appearance -> Themes and Verify that Genesis Framework Theme is Visible.



You should not make this theme active as this is just a framework rather than a theme.

You need to install child theme that is built on top of this genesis framework and then activate it.

Step 7.3: How to Install Eleven40 Premium Theme

You might be wondering that this is a premium theme and you need to purchase it right.

No worries I will give you this theme for FREE and you can download this from the Downloads section in the last.

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However, you won't have license to see this someone else or get any support from StudioPress. If you need those then you should contact StudioPress and purchase from them.

This premium theme is FREE to use for your website.

Download Premium Eleven40 StudioPress Theme

You this below link to download the Eleven40 StudioPress theme for FREE.

[Download Eleven40 Theme](#)

Buy the License from here -> [License here](#)

Once you click this link it should download a zip file with name eleven40.zip.

You can check out the theme demo from here - >

<https://my.studiopress.com/themes/eleven40/#demo-full>

Upload Eleven40 StudioPress Theme

By now, you should know how to upload a theme in WordPress. If you still confused how to upload a theme in WordPress, then refer to step 7.2.

Activate Eleven40 Theme

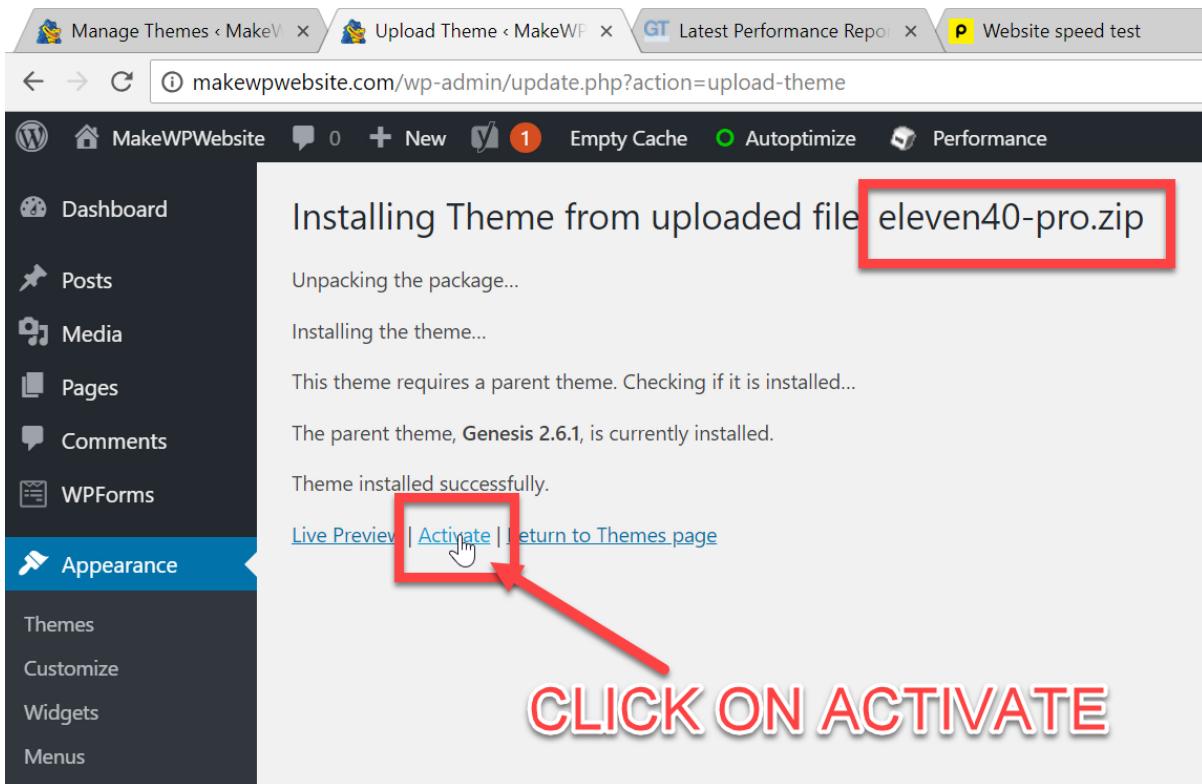
Goto Appearance -> Themes

This will list out all the themes that you have installed on your Site.

You should see the Genesis Framework and Eleven40 Theme.

Click on the Eleven40 Theme -> Activate Button

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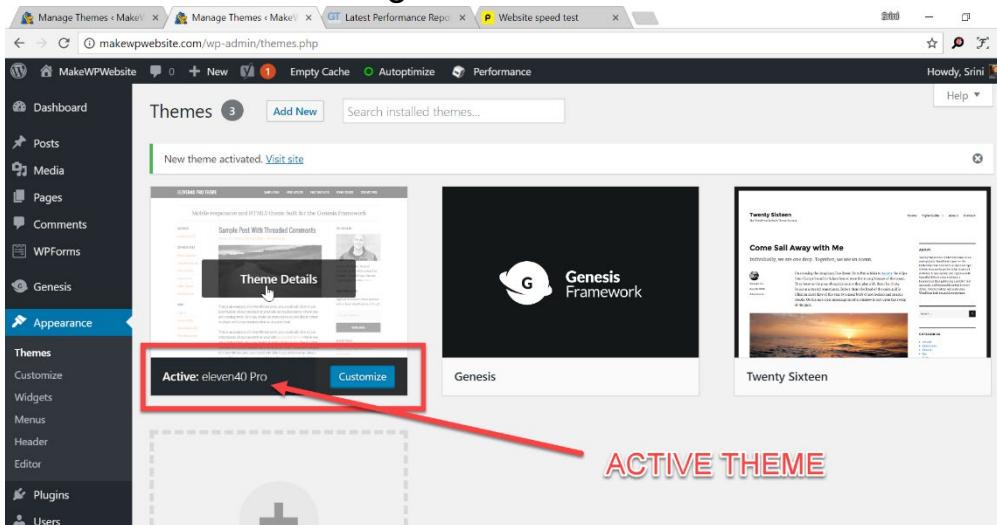


This should change the active Theme to Eleven40

Verify the Theme Installation

Now, you can Visit your site and should able to see the Eleven40 theme without any issues.

It should look something like this.



Step 7.4: Install the Supported Plugins for your theme

There are two simple plugins that you need to install to support some of the features from the Genesis Framework and your theme.

Plugins that need to be installed:

1. [Simple Edits](#)
2. [Simple Social Icons](#)

Install both the plugins and Activate it. You can refer to Step 6.7 to learn How to Install Plugin.

Simple Edits:



Genesis Simple Edits

This plugin lets you edit the three most commonly modified areas in any Genesis theme: the post-info (byline), the post-meta, and the footer area.

By [StudioPress](#)

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Simple Social Icons:



Simple Social Icons

This plugin allows you to insert social icons in any widget area.

By [Nathan Rice](#)

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STEP 8: Install & Configure Important Plugins

Here is the list of all the Plugins that I have used, and you should also consider using it in your site.

- Akismet Anti-Spam - By Automattic
- Autoptimize - By Frank Goossens (futta)
- Genesis Simple Edits - By StudioPress
- Genesis Social Simple Icons (Optional) - By Nathan Rice
- W3 Total Cache - By Frederick Townes
- Yoast SEO - By Team Yoast
- Google Authenticator - By Henrik Schack
- WPForms – By WPForms

Make sure you verify the correct Author name and Plugin before you install because you will find many plugins with same names and it will be difficult to find the correct one.

See the images and install the right plugins for your site.

Once you install the plugin kindly activate them to start using the plugin.

Here are the Images of all the Plugins

Akismet Anti-Spam - By Automattic



Akismet Anti-Spam

Akismet checks your comments and contact form submissions against our global database of spam to protect you and your site from malicious content.

By [Automattic](#)

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Autoptimize - By Frank Goossens (futhta)



Autoptimize

Autoptimize speeds up your website by optimizing JS, CSS and HTML, async-ing JavaScript, removing emoji cruft, optimizing Google Fonts and more.

By [Frank Goossens \(futhta\)](#)

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Genesis Simple Edits - By StudioPress



Genesis Simple Edits

Active

This plugin lets you edit the three most commonly modified areas in any Genesis theme: the post-info (byline), the post-meta, and the footer area.

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Genesis Social Simple Icons (Optional) - By Nathan Rice



Simple Social Icons

Install Now

This plugin allows you to insert social icons in any widget area.

By [Nathan Rice](#)

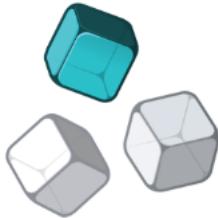
★★★★★ (72)

200,000+ Active Installations

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Untested with your version of WordPress

W3 Total Cache - By Frederick Townes



W3 Total Cache

Search Engine (SEO) & Performance Optimization (WPO) via caching. Integrated caching: CDN, Minify, Page, Object, Fragment, Database support.

By [Frederick Townes](#)

Activate [More Details](#)

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Yoast SEO - By Team Yoast



Yoast SEO

Improve your WordPress SEO: Write better content and have a fully optimized WordPress site using the Yoast SEO plugin.

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Google Authenticator - By Henrik Schack



Google Authenticator Active

Google Authenticator for your WordPress blog. [More Details](#)

By [Henrik Schack](#)

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WPForms – By WPForms



Contact Form by WPForms – Drag & Drop Form Builder for WordPress Install Now

The best WordPress contact form plugin. Drag & Drop online form builder that helps you create beautiful contact forms with just a few clicks.

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STEP 9: Sample Pages – Contact & About

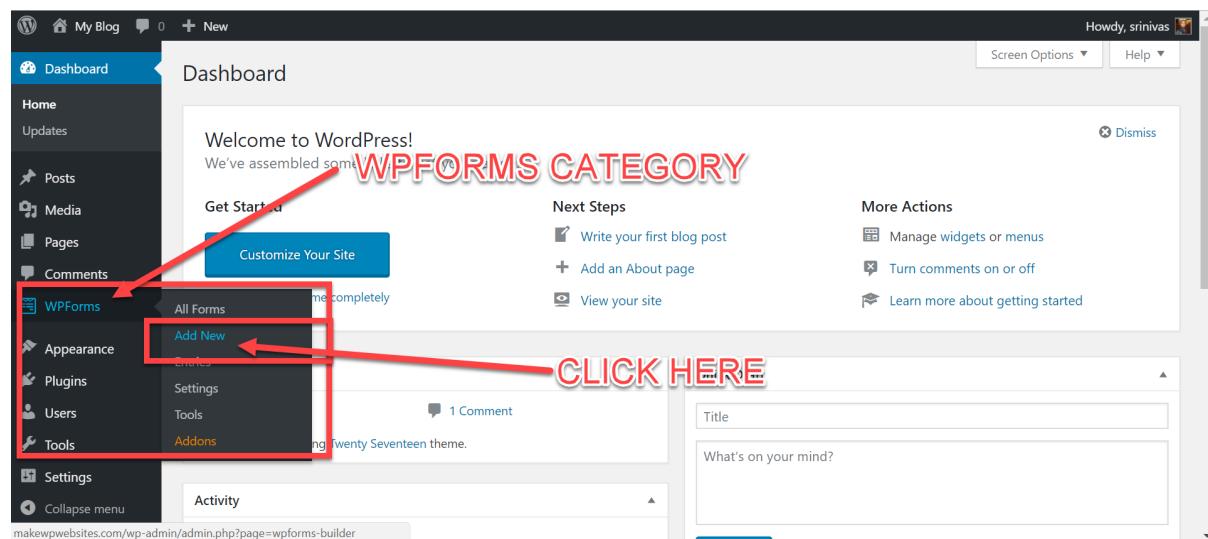
The first page that you need to create for any website is the Contact page and About Page.

Contact page will help you to insert the Contact that you created with WPForms Plugin.

About Page you write about yourself.

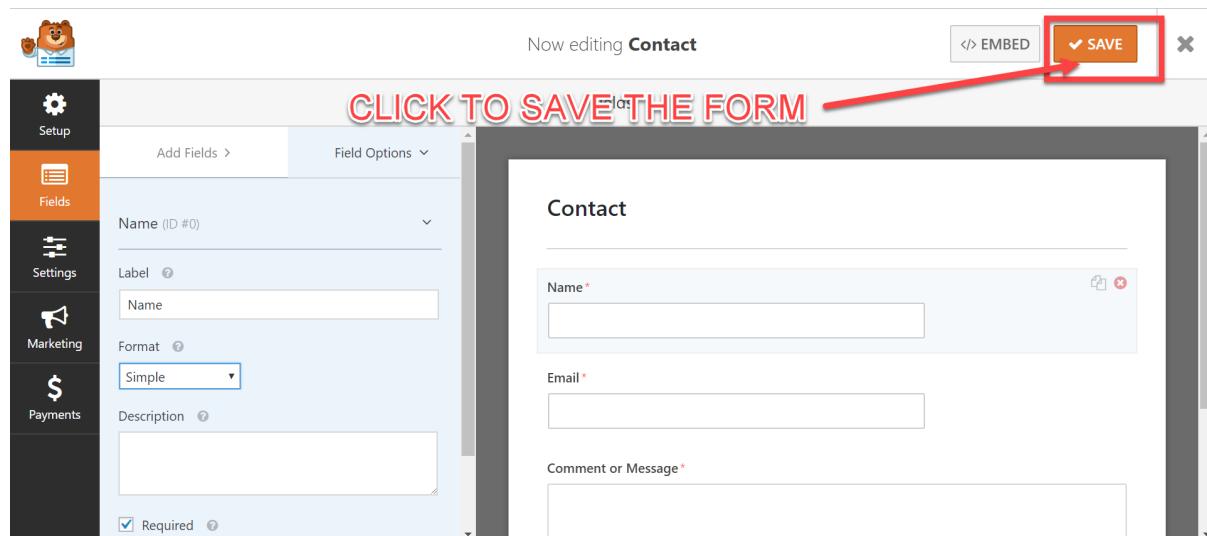
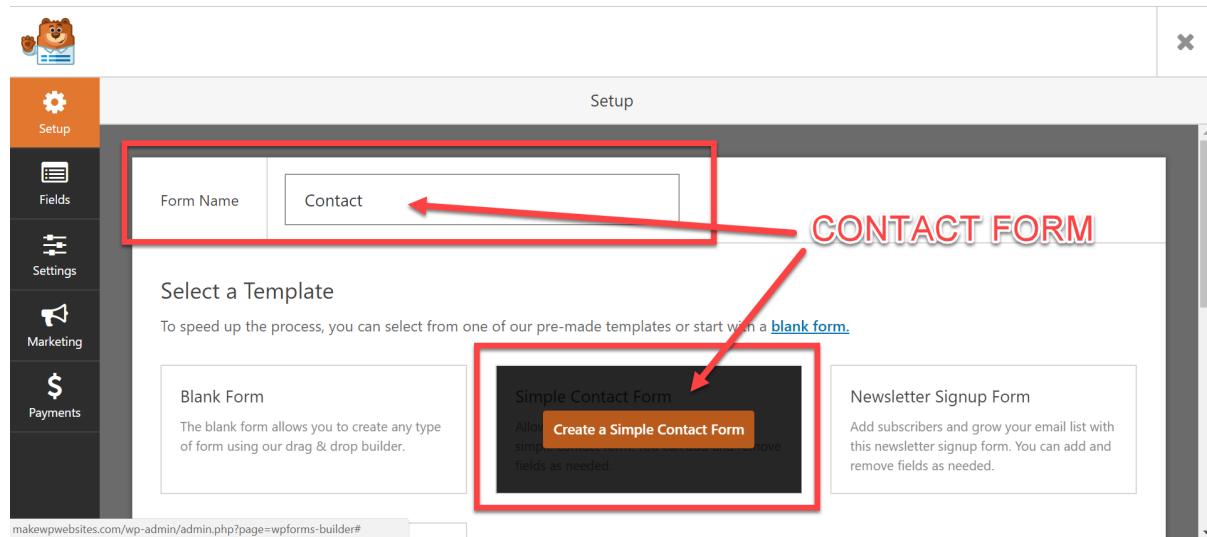
Step 9.1: Create a Form with WPForms

Open the WPForms -> Add New



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Create the Contact Form & Save it



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Take note of the Short code that is create for the Contact Form

The screenshot shows the WPForms 'Forms Overview' page. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, WPForms (which is selected), All Forms, Add New, Entries, Settings, Tools, Addons, Appearance, Plugins, and Users. The main area has a heading 'Forms Overview' with a 'Add New' button. Below it is a table with two rows. The first row has columns 'Name' and 'Created' with entries 'Contact' and 'May 14, 2018'. The second row has columns 'Name' and 'Created' with entries 'Name' and 'Created'. A red box highlights the 'Shortcode' column of the first row, containing '[wpforms id="6"]'. A red arrow points from the text 'THIS IS THE SHORT CODE' at the bottom to this highlighted box.

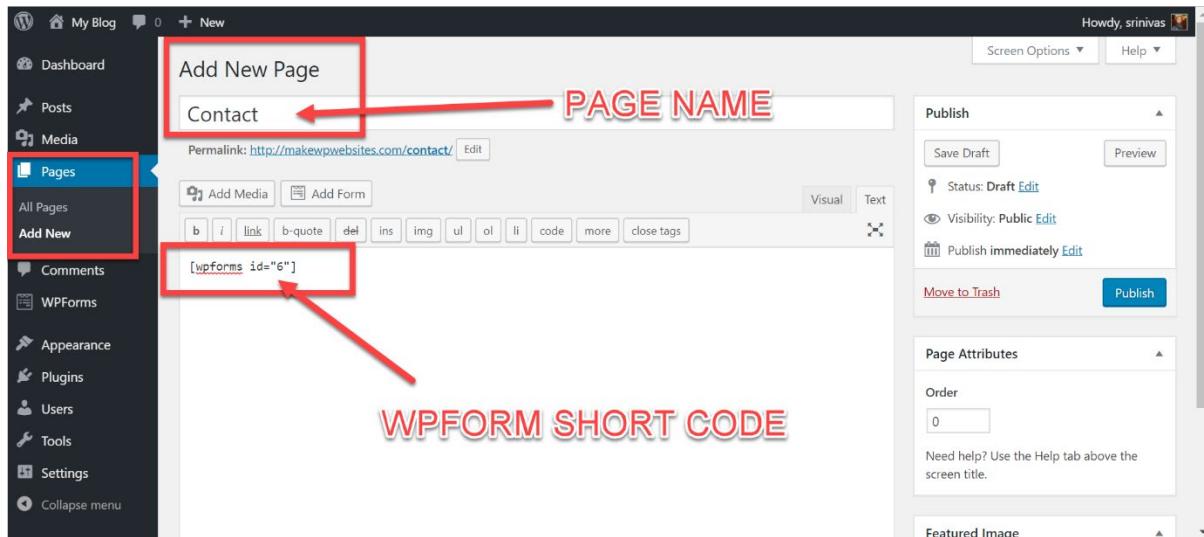
Step 9.2: Create Contact Page

Click on the Pages -> Add New to create a new Page

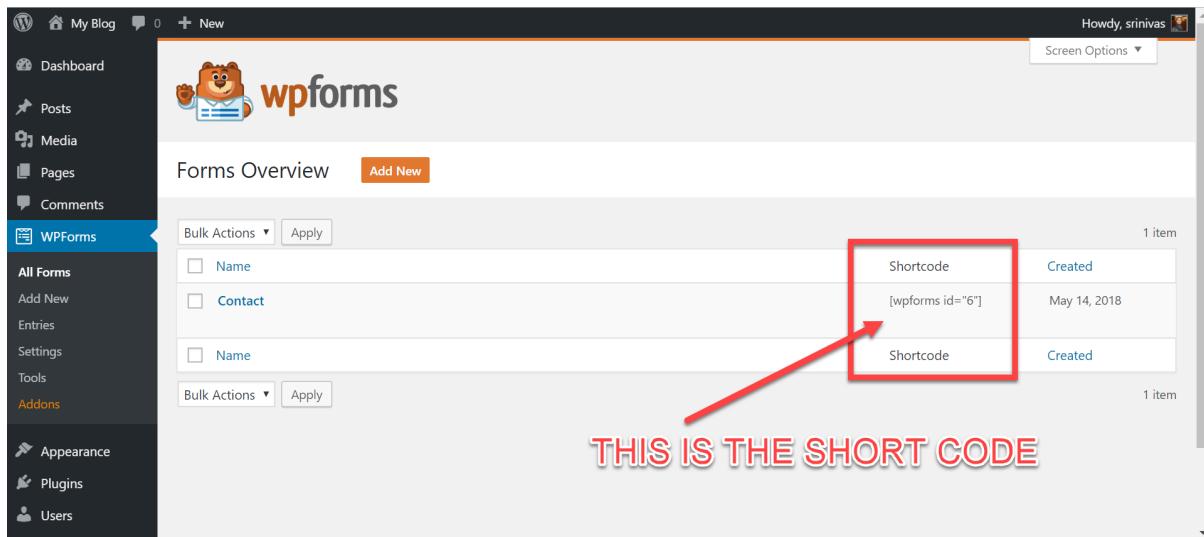
The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Add New Page' screen. The left sidebar is identical to the previous one, with 'Pages' selected. The main area has a title 'Add New Page' with a 'Contact' input field, which is highlighted with a red box and labeled 'PAGE NAME' with a red arrow. Below it is a 'Permalink' field with the value 'http://makewpwebsites.com/contact/'. Underneath is a rich text editor toolbar with various buttons like Add Media, Add Form, and a visual/text switcher. A red box highlights the text area where the WPForm shortcode '[wpforms id="6"]' is pasted, with a red arrow pointing to it and the label 'WPFORM SHORT CODE' below it. To the right is a 'Publish' sidebar with options like Save Draft, Preview, Status: Draft, Visibility: Public, Publish immediately, Move to Trash, and a Publish button. At the bottom are 'Page Attributes' and 'Featured Image' sections.

Step 9.3: Embed WPForms in Contact Page

You got this WPForm ShortCode - “[wpforms id=”6”]” from the WPForms insert that into the Content Area.



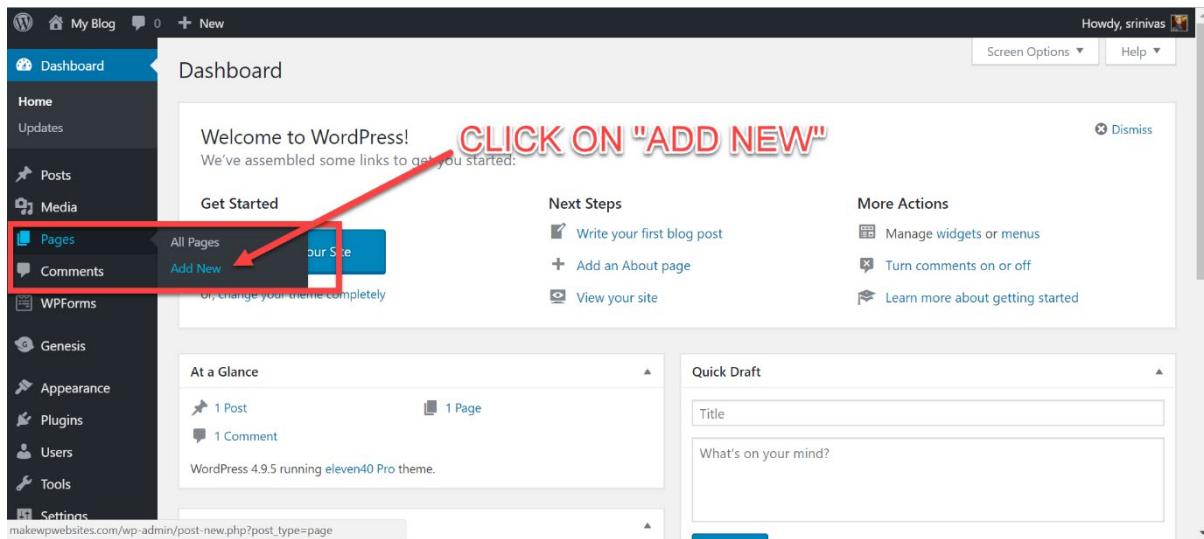
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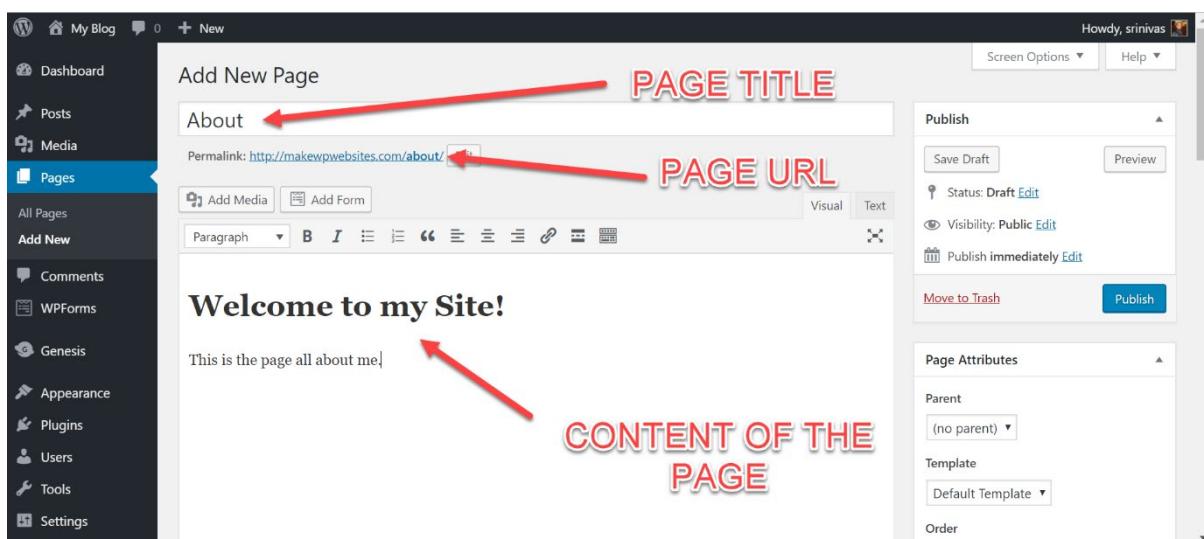
Step 9.4: Create About Page

Goto Pages -> Add new

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Enter the Page Title, URL, Page Content



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Publish your Page

The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard with the 'Pages' menu item selected. A new page titled 'About' is being edited. The content area contains the text 'Welcome to my Site!' and 'This is the page all about me.' The right sidebar displays the 'Publish' section, which includes buttons for 'Save Draft', 'Preview', and 'Publish'. The 'Publish' button is highlighted with a red box. A large red arrow points from the text 'CLICK TO PUBLISH THE PAGE' towards the 'Publish' button.

Click on the View Post to see the Page

The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard with the 'Pages' menu item selected. An existing page titled 'About' is being edited. The content area contains the text 'Welcome to my Site!' and 'This is the page all about me.' The right sidebar displays the 'Publish' section, which includes a message 'Page published. [View page](#)' and a timestamp 'Published on: May 14, 2018 @ 14:42'. A large red arrow points from the text 'CLICK THIS LINK TO VIEW YOUR PAGE' towards the 'View page' link.

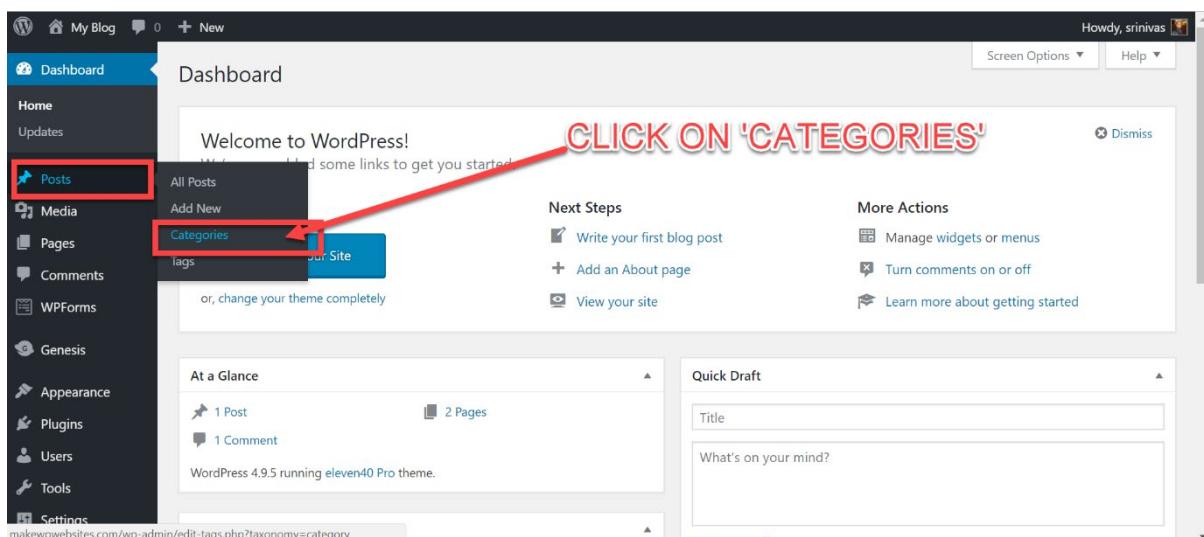
STEP 10: Create Posts, Categories and Navigation menu

Step 10.1: Create Categories to save all your Post

Categories are like Folders where you save all your post. When you create posts you can save them in categories.

You can create categories based on what types of blogs you write and how you want to categorize them.

Click Posts -> Categories



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Enter the Name of the Categories, Slug and Description of your Categories.

Click “Add New Category”

The screenshot shows the WordPress dashboard. On the left sidebar, under the 'Posts' section, there are links for 'All Posts', 'Add New', and 'Categories'. A red arrow points from the text 'CLICK ON 'CATEGORIES'' to the 'Categories' link. The main content area displays a 'Welcome to WordPress!' message and various 'Next Steps' like writing a blog post or adding an About page. The URL in the address bar is 'makewpwebsites.com/wp-admin/edit-tags.php?taxonomy=category'.

This how the Category looks like:

The screenshot shows the 'Categories' page. On the left sidebar, under the 'Posts' section, there is a 'Categories' link. The main content area has a 'Bulk Actions' dropdown and a table listing categories. A red arrow points from the text '"WordPress" Category is created' to the newly added row in the table. The table data is as follows:

Name	Description	Slug	Count
WordPress	—	wordpress	0
Uncategorized	—	uncategorized	1

Note:
Deleting a category does not delete the posts in that category. Instead, posts that were only assigned to the deleted category are set to the category **Uncategorized**.
Categories can be selectively converted to tags using the [category_to_tag_converter](#).

Step 10.2: Create Post and Save in the Post

Let's Create a Post on "How to Create Categories in WordPress" and save the post in WordPress Categories.

Create a New Post and Select the "WordPress" Categories that we just created.

The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Edit Post' screen. In the center, there is a text area containing three steps: Step 1: Click on Posts -> Categories; Step 2: Enter the Name of the Categories; Step 3: Click on "Add New Category". Overlaid on this text is the text "THIS IS THE \"WORDPRESS\" CATEGORY" in red, with a red arrow pointing to the 'WordPress' checkbox in the 'Categories' sidebar panel. The sidebar panel also shows an 'Uncategorized' option. The URL in the Permalink field is <http://makewpwebsites.com/wordpress/how-to-create-categories/>.

Observe the URL has the category which make it easy for users to find out this topic is under which category.

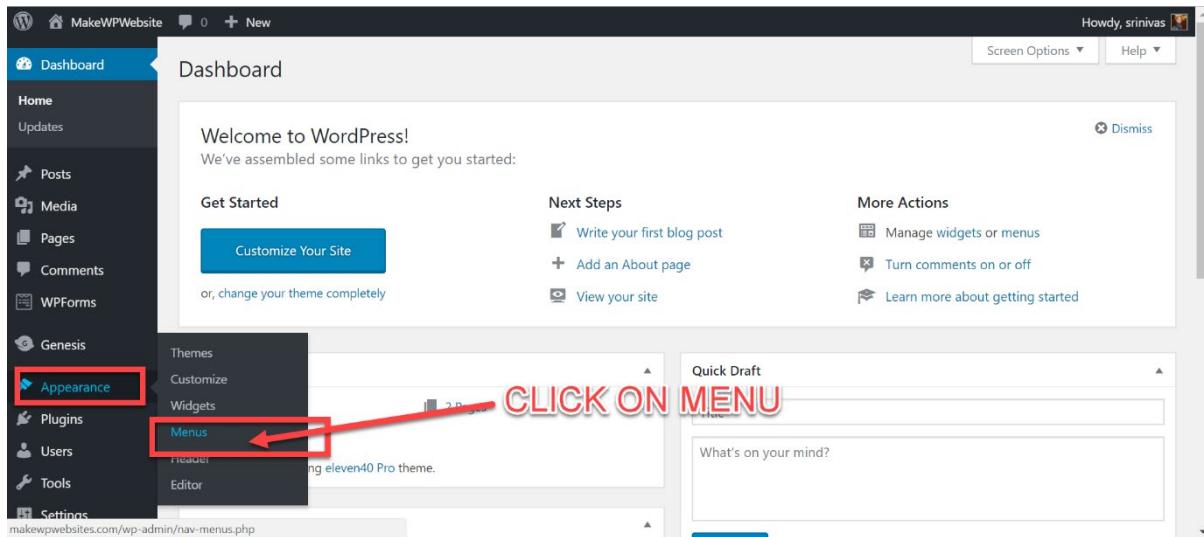
The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Edit Post' screen after the post has been published. The text area now includes a 'Post published' message and a link to 'View post'. The URL in the Permalink field is now <http://makewpwebsites.com/wordpress/how-to-create-categories/>, with a red arrow pointing to it. Overlaid on the text area is the text "OBSERVE THE URL HAS CATEGORIES" in red. The sidebar panel shows the 'WordPress' category selected. The status bar indicates 'Status: Published' and 'Visibility: Public'.

Step 10.3: Create Navigation Menu

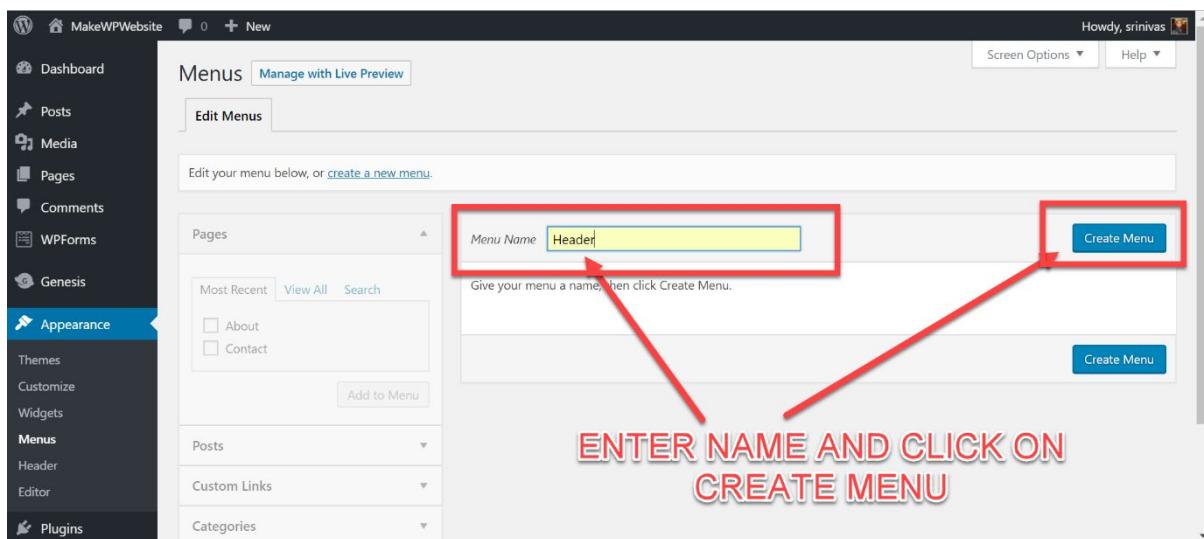
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Let's now create a simple Navigation menu and add it to the header menu.

Click on Appearance -> Menu

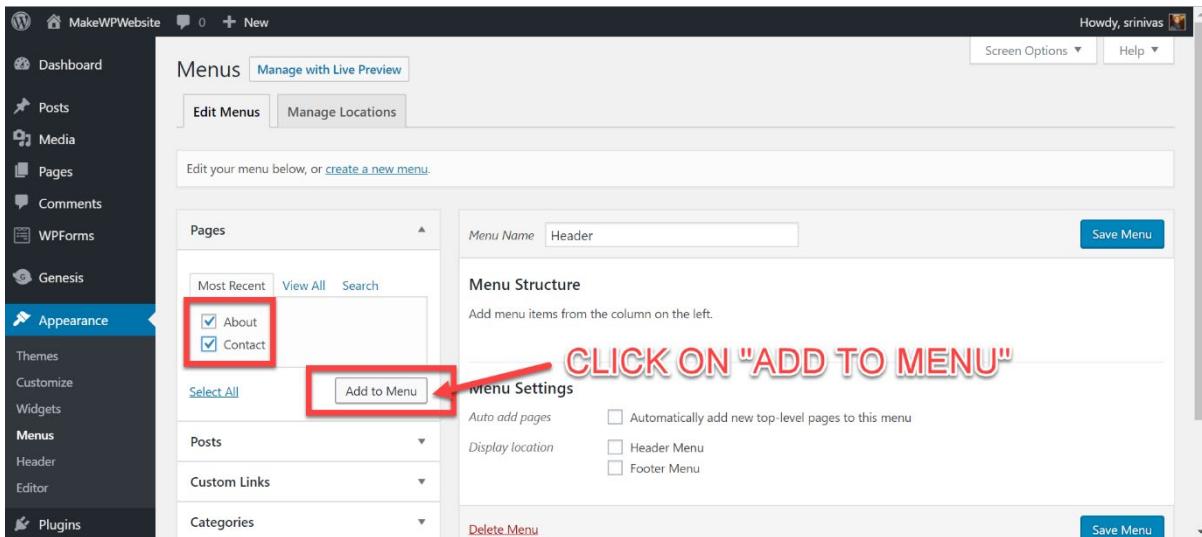


Enter the name of the Menu and Then click on “Create Menu”

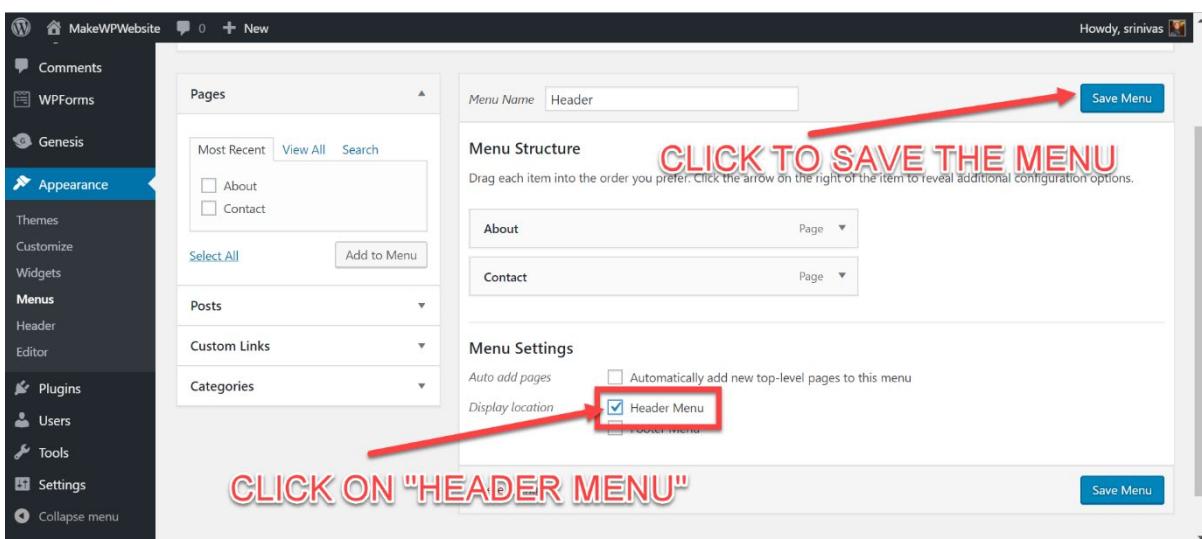


Click on the Page Name that you want to add and Click on “Add to Menu”

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Click on “Header Menu” in the Display Location and then Click on the “Save Menu”



After you have added all the pages and posts in the menu click on “Save Menu”

Visit the page and verify the menu is displayed proper in the header menu.

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THIS IS THE MENU WE CREATED

Make Your Own Website

SECONDARY SIDEBAR WIDGET AREA

This is the Secondary Sidebar Widget Area. You can add content to this area by visiting your [Widgets Panel](#) and adding new widgets to this area.

How to Create Categories in WordPress

May 14, 2018 by [srinivas](#) — [Leave a Comment](#) ([Edit](#))

Step 1: Click on Posts -> Categories

Step 2: Enter the Name of the Categories

Step 3: Click on "Add New Category"

ABOUT CONTACT

Search this website ...

RECENT POSTS

[How to Create Categories in WordPress](#)

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STEP 11: Configure Widgets, Sidebars & Layout

Step 11.1: Configure Widgets

Widgets are small snippets of code that you can embed in the page.

Like you want to show the Recent Posts, Recent Comments.

Here is the example of Widgets in the Sidebar.

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ALL THESE ARE WIDGETS THAT ARE ADDED IN THE SIDEBAR.

LETS CHANGE THEM

Search this website ...

RECENT POSTS

[How to Create Categories in WordPress](#)

[WordPress Resources at SiteGround](#)

RECENT COMMENTS

A WordPress Commenter on [WordPress Resources at SiteGround](#)

ARCHIVES

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CATEGORIES

[Uncategorized](#)

[WordPress](#)

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[Site Admin](#)

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Let's delete some of the widgets in the rightside bar.

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Goto Appearance -> Widgets

The screenshot shows the WordPress admin dashboard under the 'Widgets' section. On the left, the 'Appearance' menu item is highlighted with a red box. The main area displays a grid of 'Available Widgets'. A red box highlights the first two columns of the grid. Overlaid on this grid is the text 'SMALL PIECE OF CODE' in large red letters, with a red arrow pointing from the text towards the grid. To the right of the grid, there are sections for 'Primary Sidebar' and 'Secondary Sidebar', each containing several widget slots. At the top right, there are 'Screen Options' and 'Help' buttons.

In this Widgets page, you can find so many widgets that you can use in your sidebars and footer.

Instead of adding we will delete the widgets from the “Primary Sidebar”

This screenshot shows the same WordPress Widgets page as the previous one, but with a different focus. A red box highlights the 'Meta' widget in the 'Primary Sidebar' area. A red arrow points from this box to a 'Delete' link at the bottom of the 'Meta' widget's configuration panel. Overlaid on this panel is the text 'CLICK ON DELETE LINK' in large red letters. The rest of the interface is identical to the first screenshot, showing the sidebar and footer areas.

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After deleting the new sidebar with widgets look like this

The screenshot shows the WordPress Widgets screen. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, WPForms, Genesis, Appearance (which is selected), Themes, Customize, Widgets (selected), Menus, Header, Editor, and Plugins. The main area is titled "Widgets" and has a sub-section "Available Widgets". It lists several widget types: Archives, Audio, Calendar, Categories, Custom HTML, Gallery, Genesis - Featured Page, and Genesis - Featured Posts. The "Categories" widget is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it from the text below. To the right, there are four sidebar areas labeled "Primary Sidebar", "Secondary Sidebar", "Footer 1", and "Footer 2". The "Primary Sidebar" contains the "Categories" widget. A large red box highlights the "Primary Sidebar" area. Below the sidebar areas, the text "THIS IS HOW OUR NEW WIDGETS LOOKS LIKE IN SIDE BAR" is displayed in red.

After you made changes you don't have save anything. It will update when you action on that specific widgets.

Each Widget has a save button try to save it from there.

Let's review our page now.

The screenshot shows the website homepage for "MAKEWPWEBSITE". The header includes a navigation bar with "ABOUT" and "CONTACT" links. The main content area features a title "How to Create Categories in WordPress" and a sub-section "WordPress Resources at SiteGround". Below the title, there are two sidebar areas: "Primary Sidebar" on the left and "Footer 1" on the right. The "Primary Sidebar" contains the "Categories" widget, which is highlighted with a red box and an arrow pointing to it from the text below. The "Footer 1" sidebar contains a search bar and sections for "RECENT POSTS" and "CATEGORIES". A large red box highlights the "Primary Sidebar" area. Below the sidebar areas, the text "SEE HOW WIDGETS ARE DISPLAYED NOW." is displayed in red.

Step 11.2: Configure Sidebars

Click on Appearance -> Widgets

The screenshot shows the WordPress 'Widgets' screen under the 'Appearance' menu. On the left, there's a sidebar with links like Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, WPForms, Genesis, Appearance (which is selected), Themes, Customize, Widgets, Menus, Header, Editor, and Plugins. The main area is titled 'Widgets' with a 'Manage with Live Preview' button. It shows 'Available Widgets' in a grid, including Archives, Audio, Calendar, Categories, Custom HTML, Gallery, Genesis - Featured Page, and Genesis - Featured Posts. To the right, there are two sections: 'Primary Sidebar' and 'Secondary Sidebar'. The 'Primary Sidebar' section contains 'Search', 'Recent Posts', and 'Categories'. The 'Secondary Sidebar' section contains 'Footer 1'. Red boxes highlight these sections, and a red arrow points from the text 'PRIMARY & SECONDARY SIDEBAR' at the bottom right towards them.

PRIMARY & SECONDARY SIDEBAR

This is the location of Sidebar on the Page

The screenshot shows a website page with a dark header bar containing 'MAKEWPWEBSITE' on the left and 'ABOUT' and 'CONTACT' on the right. The main content area has a title 'How to Create Categories in WordPress' with a date 'May 14, 2018 by srinivas — Leave a Comment (Edit)'. Below the title are three steps: 'Step 1: Click on Posts -> Categories', 'Step 2: Enter the Name of the Categories', and 'Step 3: Click on "Add New Category"'. To the left of the content area, there's a sidebar labeled 'SECONDARY WIDGET' with a red box around it. Inside, it says 'SECONDARY SIDEBAR WIDGET AREA' and provides instructions: 'This is the Secondary Sidebar Widget Area. You can add content to this area by visiting your Widgets Panel and adding new widgets to this area.' To the right of the content area, there's another sidebar labeled 'PRIMARY SIDEBAR' with a red box around it. It contains a search bar ('Search this website ...') and a 'RECENT POSTS' section with links to 'How to Create Categories in WordPress' and 'WordPress Resources at SiteGround'.

Whatever widgets you place in the side bar it will appear in the sidebars.

Enter a Text Widget on the Secondary Sidebar and Enter some text in the Text Widget.

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The screenshot shows the WordPress Widgets panel. On the left, there's a sidebar with various menu items under 'Appearance'. The 'Widgets' section is currently selected. In the main area, there's a grid of available widgets. A red box highlights the 'Text' widget in the 'Secondary Sidebar' section. A red arrow points from the text 'DRAG & DROP TEXT WIDGET ON SECONDARY SIDE BAR' to this highlighted widget.

DRAG & DROP TEXT WIDGET ON SECONDARY SIDE BAR

Secondary Sidebar

This is the secondary sidebar if you are using a three column site layout option.

Text

Title: Hello & Welcome to my Site

Add Media Visual Text

This site will help you learn WordPress.

Save and Preview the page.

The screenshot shows a website preview with a dark header bar containing 'MAKEWPWEBSITE', 'ABOUT', and 'CONTACT'. The main content area has a title 'Make Your Own Website' and a post titled 'How to Create Categories in WordPress'. The post includes a date ('May 14, 2018'), author ('srinivas'), and a 'Leave a Comment (Edit)' link. Below the post, there are three steps: 'Step 1: Click on Posts -> Categories', 'Step 2: Enter a new category name', and 'Step 3: Click on "Add New Category"'. To the right of the post is a sidebar with a search bar ('Search this website ...') and a 'RECENT POSTS' section listing the same post and a link to 'WordPress Resources at SiteGround'. A red box highlights the 'Hello & Welcome to My Site' text in the sidebar, and a red arrow points from the text 'SECONDARY SIDE BAR WIDGET' to this highlighted area.

MAKEWPWEBSITE

ABOUT CONTACT

Make Your Own Website

How to Create Categories in WordPress

May 14, 2018 by [srinivas](#) — [Leave a Comment \(Edit\)](#)

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Step 2: Enter a new category name

Step 3: Click on "Add New Category"

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Search this website ...

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[How to Create Categories in WordPress](#)

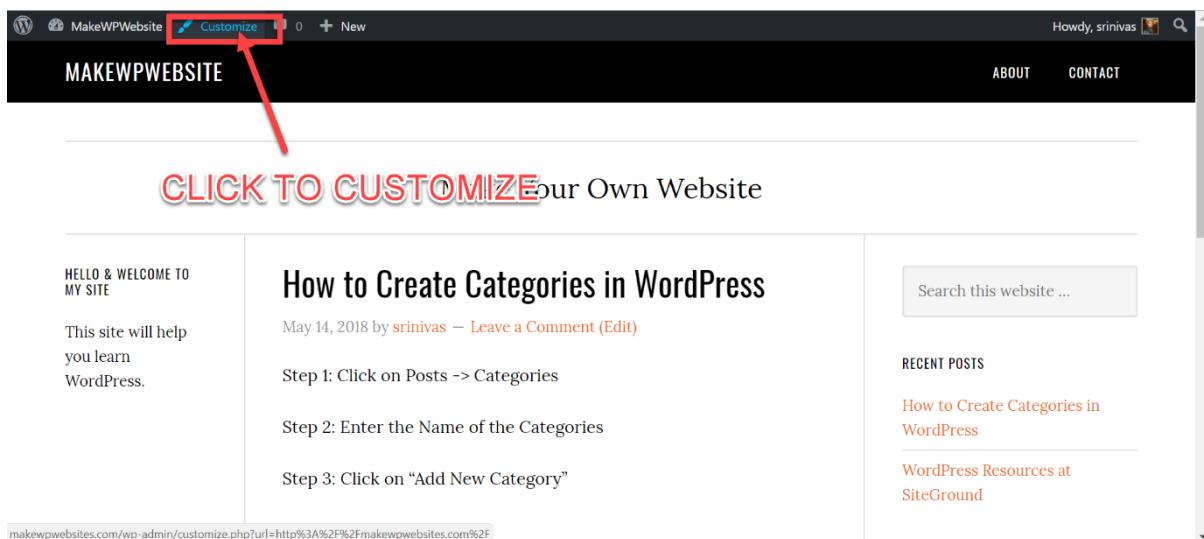
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SECONDARY SIDE BAR WIDGET

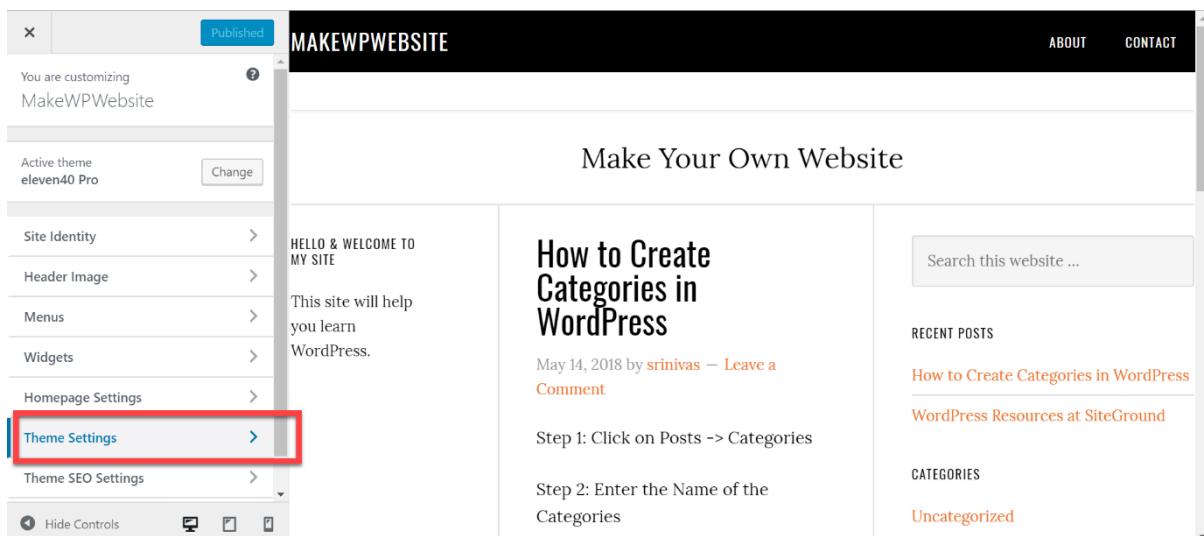
Step 11.3: Configure Layout

Finally, we change layout from Sidebar – Content – Sidebar to Content – Sidebar.

Click on Customize option in the Admin Menu bar



Then Click on “Theme Settings”



Click on Site Layout

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The screenshot shows the WordPress Customizer interface on the left and the website preview on the right. The preview page title is "MAKEWPWEBSITE" and the main content is "Make Your Own Website". The sidebar contains a post titled "How to Create Categories in WordPress". The customizer sidebar has a section titled "Site Layout" which is highlighted with a red box. Other options in the sidebar include "Updates", "Google AdSense", "Breadcrumbs", "Comments and Trackbacks", "Content Archives", and "Header/Footer Scripts". The preview page also shows a search bar, recent posts, and category information.

Change the Layout as you want from here and Click on “Publish” once saved.

This screenshot is similar to the previous one, showing the WordPress Customizer and website preview. The "Site Layout" section in the customizer is expanded, showing a dropdown menu with various layout options. A red box highlights the dropdown menu, and a red arrow points to the "Content, Primary Sidebar" option, which is currently selected. The preview page content remains the same, featuring the "How to Create Categories in WordPress" post and the sidebar with search, recent posts, and categories.

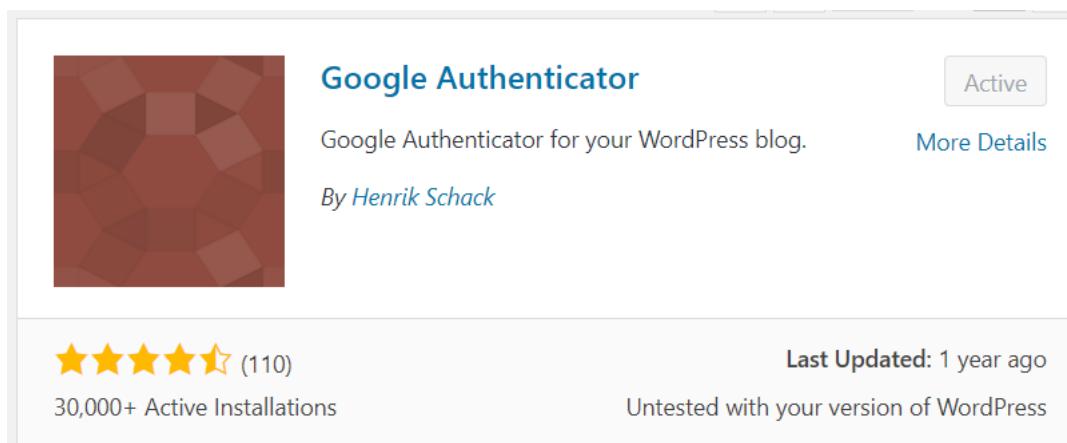
STEP 12: Secure your Site

In this Step 12, You will install a plugin that will help you secure your login page with Google Authenticator.

Make sure you have install the Google Authenticator Plugin on your site.

Step 12.1: Install Security Plugin

Link: <https://wordpress.org/plugins/google-authenticator/>



The screenshot shows the 'Google Authenticator' plugin page on the WordPress.org plugin repository. The plugin is listed as 'Active'. It has a red geometric icon, a brief description 'Google Authenticator for your WordPress blog.', a link to 'More Details', and the author's name 'By Henrik Schack'. Below this, there is a rating of 5 stars from 110 reviews, '30,000+ Active Installations', and a note that it is 'Untested with your version of WordPress'. The last update was '1 year ago'.

Google Authenticator

Active

Google Authenticator for your WordPress blog.

By [Henrik Schack](#)

5 ★★★★★ (110)

30,000+ Active Installations

Last Updated: 1 year ago

Untested with your version of WordPress

Step 12.2: Configure the Plugin

Once you have installed the plugin and activated it.

Goto Users -> Open the Admin User

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Users

All (1) | Administrator (1)

Bulk Actions ▾ Apply Change role to... ▾ Change

Username	Name	Email	Role	Posts
srinivasvanamalaji	—	srinivasvanamalaji@gmail.com	Administrator	2
Username	Name	Email	Role	Posts

Bulk Actions ▾ Apply Change role to... ▾ Change

1 item

Screen Options ▾ Help ▾

Search Users

1 item

Howdy, srinivas

GOOGLE AUTH CAN BE CONFIGURED FOR EACH USER.

makewpwebsites.com/wp-admin/profile.php?wp_http_referer=%2Fwp-admin%2Fusers.php

In the User Settings Page, Goto Google Authenticator Settings

Click on the Show QR Code.

Download the Google Authenticator app on your mobile phone and scan this QR code to generate the passcode.

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Active

ACTIVE

Relaxed mode Relaxed mode allows for more time drifting on your phone clock (± 4 min).

Description: WordPressBlog

Secret: Create new secret

Show/Hide QR code

SCAN THIS QR CODE ON YOUR MOBILE GOOGLE AUTHENTICATOR APP

makewpwebsites.com/wp-admin/profile.php?wp_http_referer=%2Fwp-admin%2Fusers.php

Make sure the Active checkbox is clicked.

Step 12.3: Verify the Login

Next, Logout from the site and see if you can login again with the google authenticator passcode.

You are now logged out.

Username or Email Address
srinivas

Password
.....

Google Authenticator code

Remember Me **LOG IN**

The "Google Authenticator code" input field is highlighted with a red border.

Links & Downloads

Site Used

- <http://makewpwebsite.com/> - Actual Site
- <http://makewpwebsites.com/> - Demo Site
- <http://srini.link/> - All External Links

Domain Name Providers

- GoDaddy – [goDaddy.com](http://godaddy.com)
- NameCheap – [Namecheap.com](http://namecheap.com)

WEB Hosting Providers

- SiteGround – [Siteground.com](http://siteground.com)
- Bluehost – [Bluehost.com](http://bluehost.com)

- Hostgator – Hostgator.com

WordPress

- WordPress – WordPress.org
- Gravatar - Gravatar.com

Genesis Theme Downloads

- Genesis All Theme Demo – Genesis Themes Demo
- Genesis Configuration Guide – Genesis Guide
- Download Genesis Framework – Genesis Framework
- Download Eleven40 Download - Eleven40 Theme

Plugins

- Akismet Anti-Spam - By Automattic
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/akismet/>
- Autoptimize - By Frank Goossens (futta)
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/autoptimize/>
- Genesis Simple Edits - By StudioPress
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/genesis-simple-edits/>
- Genesis Social Simple Icons (Optional) - By Nathan Rice
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/simple-social-icons/>
- W3 Total Cache - By Frederick Townes
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/w3-total-cache/>
- Yoast SEO - By Team Yoast
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/wordpress-seo/>
- Google Authenticator - By Henrik Schack
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/google-authenticator/>
- WPForms – By WPForms
 - <https://wordpress.org/plugins/wpforms-lite/>

Tools

- WHOIS - <https://www.whois.com/>
- goDaddy Whois - <https://godaddy.com/whois>
- GTMetrix - <https://gtmetrix.com/>
- Pingdom - <https://tools.pingdom.com/>

Where to go from here?

Finally, you have made it till last. Great Job!

Hope you have enjoyed the guide and use it for your future website deployment reference.

Being you on my subscriber list, you will receive 1 email on Monday mornings about new eBooks, Video Tutorials, FREE Downloads and Blogs on WordPress and Website Development. So, watchout for my emails.

Two quick things:

1. What you should learn more from here onwards
2. How to start earning money with skills.

What you should learn more from here onwards.

If this course is your first introduction to WordPress and you liked it then here is the path you can take to upgrade your skill to next level.

- You can learn Web Development Skills like PHP, HTML5, CSS and Javascript.
- Then you can learn how to build custom themes.
- Once you are comfortable with the programming then you can start building plugins for WordPress as well.
- I highly recommend you learn Genesis framework and understand how you write php code to handle the site changes. I have attached the [genesis framework guide](#) do review it.
- Build custom child theme with [genesis framework](#).
- Learn how to build website like news, personal blog, marriage blog, company profile and other famous ones.

Next, how to earn money with your skills

My advice for you is to take your time to learn the skill first. If you don't get the skill, then you must face one of the bad guys later and that is the **stress**.

So, don't rush and start making money. Learn the skill and apply it. Build some portfolio and then showcase yourself that you have the skill.

You should take your time, practice and build websites lots of them with WordPress.

Once you think you are ready then you can do the following things.

- Become Freelancer – Register yourself in the sites like fiverr, freelancer.com, and upwork.com as WordPress developer.
- Join [Facebook group](#) where people are looking for small help in WordPress.
- Setup your own company and serve customers who want to build website.
- You can literally walk down the street and ask to the small shop owners if they want their business online. Quick and easy money.
- Make Friends with small interest group, join group where experts hang out, read the newsletters from the experts in this field.

Learn more about WordPress and Start making money that's the next step you can do.

Anything you do – don't forget to enjoy the process and help others who need it.

I wish you good luck for your future projects and your learning journey.

If you have any Questions and Clarifications regarding this book or about your site configuration do let me know here. I will be around to help you.

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All the Best for Your Website Development!

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