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Instruction Manual

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How to impress? Here's a hint.
Just be a Pro!

Congratulations!!! You just found another amazing Joomla!1.5 extension.
From probably the most powerful tool of exposure news, articles and content in Joomla, and without any doubt one of the most popular, acclaimed and sucessfull extension ever created, the Gavick News Show module is now a team. So, give welcome to the new News Show Pro GK1 module, ready to impress even more your website visitors.
Especially for you, another gift from GavickPro Team. Now, you have two perfect partners, ready to help you achieve the more demanding standard of presentation, that all successful sites require.
And guess what? It's free! How about that?!...
You don't believe it!?... Well... So, it's not free...but we will give you 100% discount!
What? You want more?! Get it know on tools.gavick.com.

An overview of News Show Pro GK1 module key features:

- » Joomla!1.5 Native
- » Content control display from any section, category or articles ID's
- » Left, right or bottom selection position of list with links.
- » Horizontal and vertical news presentation (columns and rows configuration)
- » Slide tabs pages on main block and list link block display.
- » Show text, image, author, date, section/category name and button "read more" option, with order customization.
- » News amount sorted by date, order, only frontpage, random or hits
- » Use of multiple modules on same page with unique ID configuration
- » Timezones adjustment, date format and native language of month / days customization
- » Different language translation support included
- » Partnership with PhotoSlide GK2 (using respective plugin)
- » On/Off front page articles display in modules
- » Clean (X)HTML in content
- » Easy and friendly administration
- » SEF URLs
- » Used Javascript Framework: Mootools 1.11
- » Option of compressed JS engine use
- » Fully compatible: Firefox, IE7+, Opera 9.5, Safari, Netscape, Google Chrome, Camino, Flock 0.7+
- » XHTML & CSS Validation: W3C XHTML 1.0 Transitional. W3C CSS Valid.

Special Notices and Recommendations

Here are some recommendations that you should considerate and might help you.

Do you have some problems with our tools?

Some usual problems reported on our support forum are originated from script conflict with 3th party tools. If you know Joomla suficient enough, you already know that there is a huge amount of solutions and extensions available for free or some commercial from other team or developers. Naturally, you will search others extension to complete some particular funcionality and your website needs, but understand that we are responsable only for our templates and tools; and we cannot garantee that all 3th party extensions will work perfectly along with our tools. So, it is your hands and it is your responsabity to choose those extensions on Joomla Comunity. Anyway, you always can ask for support in our forum and if is possible, we will try to help you.

Another usual problem reported in our forum, is related with permissons on files and directory. Some tools need that some specific files are set with rewrite or read permissions, so you can find some problems if you don't have this permissions set. Take note that we cannot control your server security configuration, but we can point you directions were you must change this permissions. If you are unable to change it, we recommend that you contact your host server provider.

Keep always updated!

We strongly recommend that you visit us regularly on update.gavick.com, were you can see the latest updates of our templates, components, plugins and modules. If you have any problem, be sure the solution is not already available and you will avoid waste time searching or asking for solutions in our forum support.

Need some small CSS style customizations adjustments?

You can always request some support from our Moderators or Developers, but you need to take in mind that this is customization and not regular support service. We are considering in the future to create personnal customization and installation services support for those who need it. Nevertheless, we will always available to try to help you.

If you have some experience in CSS styling, we strongly recommend the use one of the most powerful tool for WebDesigners, available for free in FireFox browser - The FireBug addon - a perfect ally and work tool.

What is the better way for me to place a problem in the support forum?

If you need help in some issue, please post it in our forum support in the most objective way, preference in english language and with an URL to show us the problem. This way, we will be able to give you the needed help in faster way.

Need to contact Us?

Besides our official forum support, you can also contact us by Skype. Please check our contact page and we will reply to you as soon as posible.

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Overview files

The first step to start working with our free Joomla !1.5 module is downloading the News Show Pro GK1 package, available for free in our download section. The installation is quite simple and it should not be a problem, if you follow correctly this instrutions.

IMPORTANT!!! Be sure to unpack the file first, before start working on it.

So, let's get started by showing you a brief overview of the files available inside the News Show GK3 package.

» **mod_news_pro_gk1.zip** (Installation: use the Joomla Installer).
This file is the module and must be installed using the Joomla Installer.

» **plg_news_pro_gk1.zip** (Installation: use the PhotoSlide GK2 Component Installer).
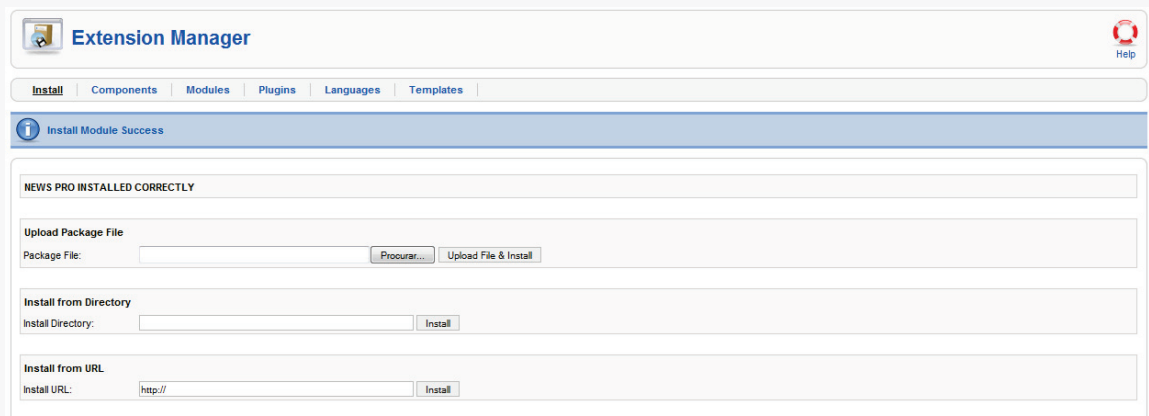Inside of the "plugin_for_photoslide_gk2" folder, you will find the plugin that will provide parthership with our PhotoSlide GK2 component. For further information of PhotoSlide GK2 component, please download the respective HelpFile of PhotoSlide GK2 available on http://tools.gavick.com .

News Show Pro GK1 Installation

On your Joomla! Administrator, navigate to the administrative panel on your Joomla site. From the top menu, select Extensions > Install/Uninstall.

Click the 'browse' button, select the module file inside the Modules folder *(mod_news_pro_gk1.zip)* and press 'Upload File & Install.' A message will appear saying 'Upload Module - Success.'

This page will display an overview of the module, then select 'Continue...'
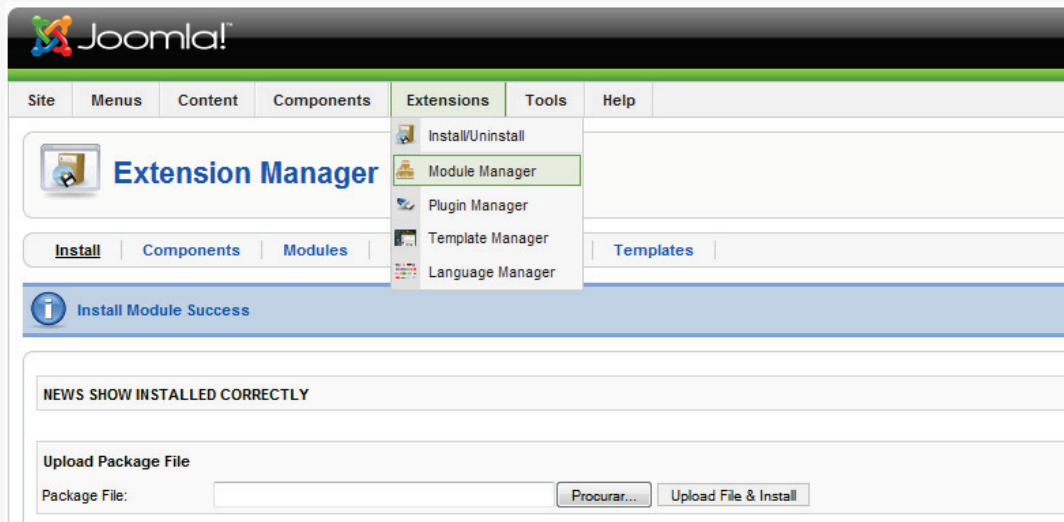
After installation is set, it will display an overview of the module.

Now that the News Show Pro GK1 is available on your Modules Manager, let's take a look inside of the module configuration and see what's able to do.

News Show Pro GK1 configuration

From the top menu, navigate to select "Extensions > Module Manager", find the News Show Pro GK1 module on the available list and click on it to edit the module configuration.

Module parameters:

By entering in the module, set it in your respective position and enable it. Before you save it, you can configurate the following parameters fields.

Module Class Suffix:

A suffix to be applied to the css class of the module (table. moduletable), this allows individual module styling.

Module unique ID:

Unique ID for module (must be unique if you have two or more modules on one page) (i.e. newspro1).

Main block width:

The width of main articles block. It must be always integer value (in pixels) (i.e. 400).

Links block width:

The width of links block. It must be always integer value (in pixels) (i.e. 300).

Table cell padding:

Set padding for table cells. Add px or % suffix ! (i.e. 3px).

Section:

Section which will be source of news headings.

Category:

Category which will be source of news headings.

Sections:

Sections which will be source of news. IDs separated by comma.... (i.e. 2,5).

Categories:

Categories which will be source of news. IDs separated by comma... (i.e. 3,5)

Parameters

Module Parameters

Module Class Suffix	nopad
Module unique ID	newspro1
Main block width	305
Links block width	315
Table cell padding	0 10px

Section	Demo
Category	- Select Category -
Sections	
Categories	
IDs	
Module mode	Standard mode

Amount of articles pages	3
Amount of links pages	3
Amount of columns	1
Amount of rows	1
Links amount	5
News sort value	Date
News sort order	DESC
Showing frontpage articles	○ Disabled ● Enabled
Show unauthorize links	○ Disabled ● Enabled
Show only frontpage articles	● Disabled ○ Enabled
Number of first news	0

| Show list wit links | ○ Disabled ● Enabled |
| Select position of listw with links | ○ Bottom ○ Float left ● Float right |

Readmore	Read more...
News header - link	○ Disabled ● Enabled
News image - link	○ Disabled ● Enabled
News text - link	● Disabled ○ Enabled
Show news author	○ Disabled ● Enabled
Show news categories	● Disabled ○ Enabled
Show news date	○ Disabled ● Enabled
Show 'More in' text	● Disabled ○ Enabled
Date format	D, d M Y
Author name	Name

News content - header position	Float left
News content - image position	Centered
News content - text position	Float left
News content - info position	Disabled
News content - readmore position	Float right

News content - header order	● 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ○ 4
News content - image order	○ 1 ● 2 ○ 3 ○ 4
News content - text order	○ 1 ○ 2 ● 3 ○ 4
News content - info order	○ 1 ○ 2 ○ 3 ● 4

Module mode:

In category mode links are connected with main articles. Main articles and links have always one page (amount of pages depends on amount of categories). In category mode field ID's will not work !

Amount of articles pages:

Max. amount of articles pages. (it works only in standard mode).

Amount of links pages:

Max. amount of links pages. (it works only in standard mode).

Amount of columns:

The amount of columns in one table with main articles (columns per page)...

Amount of rows:

The amount of rows in one table with main articles (rows per page)...

Links amount:

Amount of links per page (in category mode - amount of links per one category).

News sort value:

Value to sort in database by Date, Order, Random, Frontpage order and Hits.

News sort order:

Order of sort in database by asceding or descending.

Showing frontpage articles:

Enable it if you want to show frontpage articles.

Show unauthorize links:

If you want to show all articles without getting informations about user permissions.

Show only frontpage articles:

Enable this option if you want to show only frontpage links.

Number of first news:

It is usable when you need articles in tabmods - you can show first 5 news from categor and in other instance you can show next 5 articles (then set this option as 5).

Show list with links:

Enable it if you want to show list with links.

Select position of list with links:

Set list links to bottom, float left and float right position.

Readmore:

News readmore button text.

News header - link:
News image - link:
News text - link:
Show news categories:
Show news date:
Show 'More in' text:

All previous fields with logical values. If you want to set respective elements as link or to be displayed.

Date format:

All special chars will be replaced: D - full day name, s - short day name, d - day (number without 0 prefix), z - day (number with 0 prefix), M - full month name, S - short month name, m - month (number without 0 prefix), Z - month (number with 0 prefix), Y - year, H - hour in 24h format, h - hour in 12h format..

Author name:

Options by Name, Username or Alias.

News content - header position:

News content - image position:

News content - text position:

News content - info position:

News content - readmore position:

With the previous fields you can set styling positions of different elements.

News content - header order:

News content - image order:

News content - text order:

News content - info order:

The previous fields represent the news content order elements that are set graphically by checking each radio buttons with diferent values. This will set the order of display.

nofollow in head links:

nofollow in image links:

nofollow in text links:

nofollow in info links:

nofollow in list links:

nofollow in readmore links:

target _blank in head links:

target _blank in image links:

nofollow in info links:

target _blank in text links:

target _blank in info links:

target _blank in list links:

target _blank in readmore links:

The previous fields are options to add rel="nofollow" in links and also to add target="_blank" in links.

nofollow in head links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
nofollow in image links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
nofollow in text links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
nofollow in info links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
nofollow in list links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
nofollow in readmore links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in head links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in image links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in text links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in info links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in list links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
target _blank in readmore links	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled

News text limit type	Words ▾
Maximal amount of words or characters	30
Maximal amount of characters in title	40
Max. amount of chars in list element title	30
Max. amount of chars in list element text	40

Clean (X)HTML in content	○ Disabled	◉ Enabled
News date - timezone	(UTC 00:00) Western Europe Time, London, Lisbon, Casablanca ▾	

Plugin support	◉ Disabled	○ Enabled
Use only plugin images	◉ Disabled	○ Enabled
News image height	132px	
News image width	280px	
News image margin	3px	

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News text limit type:

Set here the text limit type, by words or characters.

Maximal amout of words or characters:

Value of words or characters to be display for each news.

Maximal amount of characters in title:

Set value of characters to be display in the news title.

Max. amount of chars in list element title:

Set value of characters to be display in the list links title.

Max. amount of chars in list element text:

Set value of characters to be display in the list links text.

Clean (X)HTML in content:

If you load part of news content then we recommend to turn ON this option.

News date - timezone:

Select how many hours must be added/substracted from your time server.

Plugin support:

If you want to use images from Photoslide in module. Enable ONLY if you have installed Photoslide GK2 Component and News Show GK3 plugin installed and enabled *(see respective chapter)*.

Use only plugin images:

If you want to use only images in the module from Photoslide GK2 group created with the News Show GK3 plugin.

News image height:

Set height value of the image. Add px or % suffix ! (example 100px). If you leave this value as "0", the original image height will be assumed.

News image width:

Set width value of the image. Add px or % suffix ! (example 100px). If you leave this value as "0", the original image width will be assumed.

News image margin:

The margin of the news image. Add px or % suffix ! (i.e. 3px)

Module advanced parameters:

Parameters
▶ Module Parameters
▼ Advanced Parameters

Parse plugins	Disabled
MooTools version	1.11
Use MooTools	Automatic
Use script	Automatic
Use compressed engine	Enabled

Parse plugins:

If you want to enable parsing plugins in article content - please enable this option.

MooTools version:

Select MooTools version which will be used in module.

Use Mootools:

Now modules support new technique of assets JavaScripts files. Use this option only if you have a problem with scripts on your site. In other situations option automatic is strongly recommended. If you want to run more than one copy of this module on one page then set this value for disabled. Also if you have an mootools framework in version 1.11 included on your site then disable this option.

Use script:

Now modules support new technique of assets JavaScripts files. In other situations option automatic is strongly recommended. Use this option only if you have a problem with scripts on your site. If you want to run more than one copy of this module on one page then set this value for disabled.

Use compressed engine:

To minimalize filesize you can use compressed version of engine, but for debugging you should use uncompressed version of engine script (then disable this option).

Additionally - when you use more than one copy of this module per one page then you must set this same value of this option for all instances of module.

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Some considerations for Image display using the plugin for the PhotoSlide:

» By enable plugin support in the module and if you want to display the images and sizes configurations setted on PhotoSlide group, them you must leave the "width" and "height" fields in the module with "0" value. If you set on this fields different values from "0", them the image size will be display and it's source will be from image articles and NOT from images setted on PhotoSlide GK3 group.

» Also, when you enable the plugin support, with the respective list of news configured to be display on the module, some mixed with those from the group, if you leave width and height "0" values, the ones not selected on PhotoSlide will display the first image of the article with default image size.

» The plugin creates the possibilty to use different image dimensions in each image connected to articles.

"- So Why should I use the News Show Pro Plugin ?"

» The plugin can be essential to optimize the cache loading time of your internet page, in case you need to use large amount of module and number of article with image display. Basically, we mean that by default the News Show Pro will display a resized image from joomla content and not create (for know) real thumbnails with smaller weight. By using this tool, you can display a different and smaller image by creating a specific group on PhotoSlide GK2 with each image related to respective article. So, with this tool you will be able to speed up you page loading and also, gives you another important tool to stylish differently your front end articles announcements. In MUSICTUBE demo template, we use (and abuse) this option so we could show less cache loading.

» Next we will show you how you can install and use the News Show Pro plugin for PhotoSlide GK2.

Using News Show Pro GK1 plugin

Like explain before, this is a great extension for optimization of News Show Pro GK1. This will give you the possibility to work in partnership with our PhotoSlide GK2 component.

News Show Pro GK1 plugin Installation

The installation process for this plugin on the PhotoSlide GK2 is very similar from the one that we provide for News Show GK3 package. So, basically you must enter in the PhotoSlide GK2 administration panel (again, please don't use the Joomla Installer in this step), select the "Plugins" option, use the "search" field and select the plg_news_pro_gk1.zip file located on your computer. Upload this file and enable it.

You should see the following screenshot on the PhotoSlide > Plugins panel.

ⓘ Selected plugins has been enabled

#	ID	☐	Status	Name	Description	Type	Version
1	1	☐	💡	GK News Image VI	XML file for module Gavick News Image VI	module	1.0
2	2	☑	💡	News Pro GK1	XML file for module News Pro GK1 v.1.0.0	module	1.0

Tip: You must install plugin for each module which you want use on your site before create groups of slides for this modules

Add Group in PhotoSlide GK2 for News Show Pro GK1 module

Create a group on the PhotoSlide GK2 component administration, by selecting the News Show GK3 plugin. The process is exactly the same like we explain in the HelpFile PhotoSlide GK2.

Navigate to Components > Gavick PhotoSlide GK2 and press on the right menu the "Add Group" button.

Select the News Show Pro GK1 plugin available on the right side. If you have only this plugin installed, naturally it will be chosen by default.

Set the following parameters on the configuration of the group, provided by the News Show Pro GK1 plugin *(the values are only examples)*.

| Groups | Plugins | Extensions | Check system | Help | Info | GavickPro News |

Group name:	News Show Pro Den
Images quality (0-100):	75 %
Image width:	0 px
Image height:	0 px
Thumbnail width:	0 px
Thumbnail height:	0 px
Background color:	#000000

Group name:
Give a name to your group for ID.

Image quality:
With this option, you still have possibility to decrease the weight of each image to display.

Image width:
Set image width (without px).

Image height:
Set image height (without px).

Thumbnail width:
Set thumbnail width (without px).

Thumbnail height:
Set thumbnail height (without px).

Background color:
Set background color in hex format (i.e. #000000)

Add Slide for News Show Pro GK1 Group

Finished the creation of the group, the process of adding slide to the group it's the same.

Navigate to the groups panel on the PhotoSlide GK2 administration and press "Add Slide" option. You will need to set the following parameters fields, but with some exceptions to considerate that i will next explain.

Groups	Plugins	Extensions	Check system	Help	Info	GavickPro News

Name:	Image 1
Image:	Procurar...
Access level:	Public
Article:	What happened to the locale setting?
Image width:	0 px
Image height:	0 px
Thumbnail width:	0 px
Thumbnail height:	0 px
Image stretch:	Don't stretch image

Name:

The name that you want to give to your slide *(just for your orientation)*.

Access Level:

This is a nice option that you can set, by selecting the level access for each news image article.

Image Width:

Image Height:

Thumbnail width:

Thumbnail height:

Notice that in the screenshot above, this fields are set with "0" value. That's because image size which is set in module is connected with images from articles and not from Photoslide. By setting values here, will be usable when you need in the News Show Pro GK1 module diferent size image display.

Article:

Here's the sniper for the article.

Image stretch:

Stretch option that generates images that will ajust setted dimensions.

Tip! You can can create different images for articles for different access levels.

WARNING!!! It is very important to have set ONLY one image in Photoslide connected with one article - if you set more images connected to same article, most probally will cause some problems. The only exception is when is created with diferent level access.
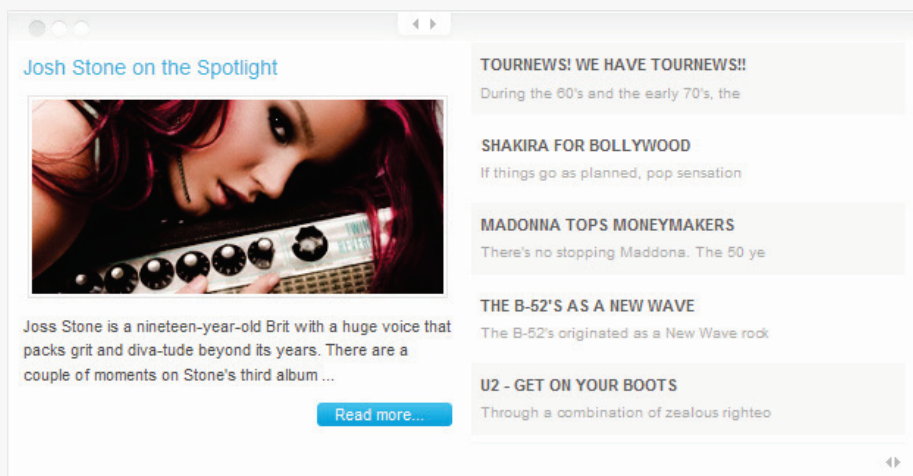
If you return to the News Show Pro GK1 module administration, were you want to use the group images cretaed, you must configurate it in order that the news articles that will be displayed are the ones that you chose on PhotoSlide GK2. Also, be sure to enable the use of the plugin support on the module.

Modules Variations

In this chapter, we show you the 2 module variations styles and some of the examples of customization of the News Show Pro GK1 module. The following screenshot were picked from our MusicTube Joomla Template and you can see them working on http://demo.gavick.com and also http://tools.gavick.com/demo

On the right screenshoot, you see an example with main block news display on the left and the list block set on the right side.
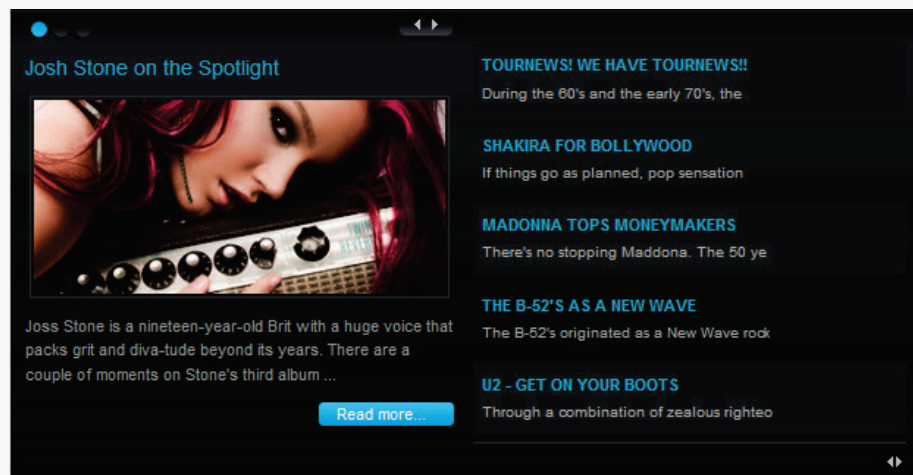
Module variation: If you leave blank the Module Class Suffix field, this will be the style that you will get (lite version).

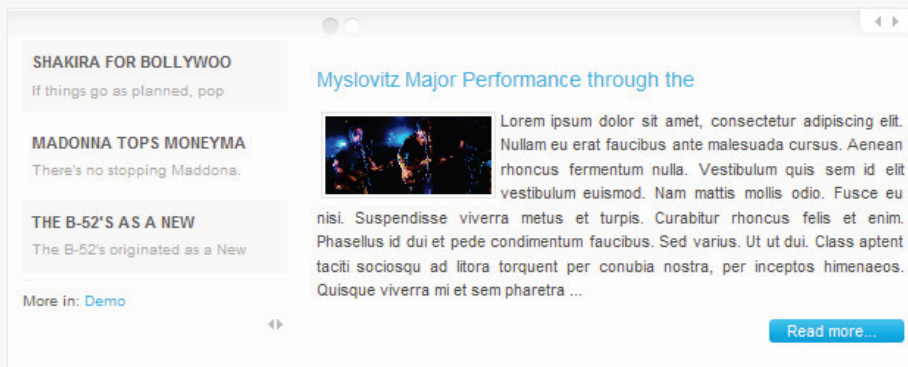In this next screenshoot, you can see the same module, but with different variation style.

Module variation: If you set " black" the Module Class Suffix field, this will be the style that you will get (dark version).

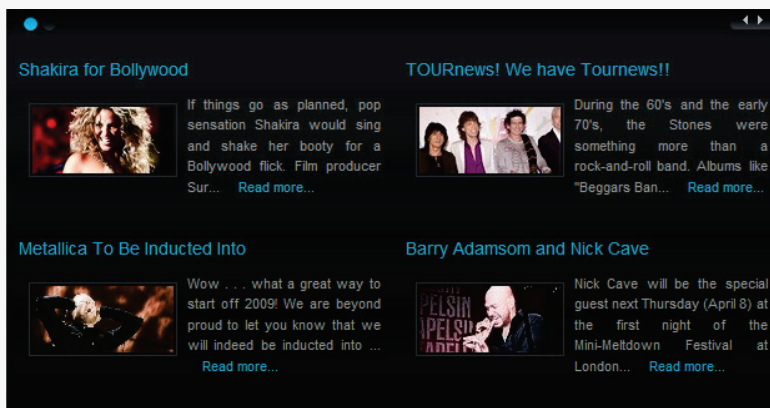Important! Please, leave a space before back word, like "[space]black".
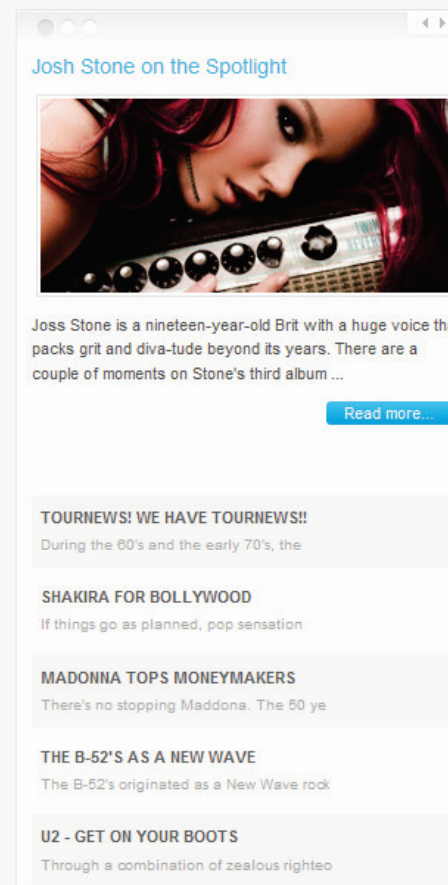
Other Examples

On the right, the block list is set in the left position and the main block on the right.

You can also only display the only main block, with 4 news on each slide page.

Module with main block on top and block list at the bottom.

Or you can just set only display the block list.