Basic Dropdown

A dropdown menu is a toggleable menu that allows the user to choose one value from a predefined list:

Dropdown button

Example

<div class="dropdown">  
  <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary dropdown-toggle" data-bs-toggle="dropdown">  
    Dropdown button  
  </button>  
  <ul class="dropdown-menu">  
    <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 1</a></li>  
    <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 2</a></li>  
    <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 3</a></li>  
  </ul>  
</div>

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Example Explained

The .dropdown class indicates a dropdown menu.

To open the dropdown menu, use a button or a link with a class of .dropdown-toggle and the data-bs-toggle="dropdown" attribute.

Add the .dropdown-menu class to a <div> element to actually build the dropdown menu. Then add the .dropdown-item class to each element (links or buttons) inside the dropdown menu.

Dropdown Divider

Dropdown button

The .dropdown-divider class is used to separate links inside the dropdown menu with a thin horizontal border:

Example

<li><hr class="dropdown-divider"></hr></li>

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Dropdown Header

Dropdown button

The .dropdown-header class is used to add headers inside the dropdown menu:

Example

<li><h5 class="dropdown-header">Dropdown header 1</h5></li>

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Disable and Active items

Dropdown button

Highlight a specific dropdown item with the .active class (adds a blue background color).

To disable an item in the dropdown menu, use the .disabled class (gets a light-grey text color and a "no-parking-sign" icon on hover):

Example

<li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Normal</a></li>  
<li><a class="dropdown-item active" href="#">Active</a></li>  
<li><a class="dropdown-item disabled" href="#">Disabled</a></li>

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Dropdown Position

Dropend

 Dropstart

You can also create a "dropend" or "dropstart" menu, by adding the .dropend or .dropstart class to the dropdown element. Note that the caret/arrow is added automatically:

Dropright

<div class="dropdown dropend">

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<div class="dropdown dropstart">

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Dropdown Menu Right

Wide dropdown button to demonstrate this example

To right-align the dropdown menu, add the .dropdown-menu-end class to the element with .dropdown-menu:

Example

<div class="dropdown-menu dropdown-menu-end">

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Dropup

Dropdown button

If you want the dropdown menu to expand upwards instead of downwards, change the <div> element with class="dropdown" to "dropup":

Example

<div class="dropup">

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Dropdown Text

Dropdown button

The .dropdown-item-text class is used to add plain text to a dropdown item, or used on links for default link styling.

Example

<ul class="dropdown-menu">  
  <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 1</a></li>  
  <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 2</a></li>  
  <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Link 3</a></li>  
  <li><a class="dropdown-item-text" href="#">Text Link</a></li>  
  <li><span class="dropdown-item-text">Just Text</span></li>  
</ul>

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Grouped Buttons with a Dropdown

AppleSamsung

Sony

Example

<div class="btn-group">  
  <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary">Apple</button>  
  <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary">Samsung</button>  
  <div class="btn-group">  
    <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary dropdown-toggle" data-bs-toggle="dropdown">Sony</button>  
    <ul class="dropdown-menu">  
      <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Tablet</a></li>  
      <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Smartphone</a></li>  
    </ul>  
  </div>  
</div>

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Vertical Button Group w/ Dropdown

AppleSamsung

Sony

Example

<div class="btn-group-vertical">  
  <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary">Apple</button>  
  <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary">Samsung</button>  
  <div class="btn-group">  
    <button type="button" class="btn btn-primary dropdown-toggle" data-bs-toggle="dropdown">Sony</button>  
    <ul class="dropdown-menu">  
      <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Tablet</a></li>  
      <li><a class="dropdown-item" href="#">Smartphone</a></li>  
    </ul>  
  </div>  
</div>

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