

# TESTIMONIALS WITH AVATARS

## Installation and configuration guide

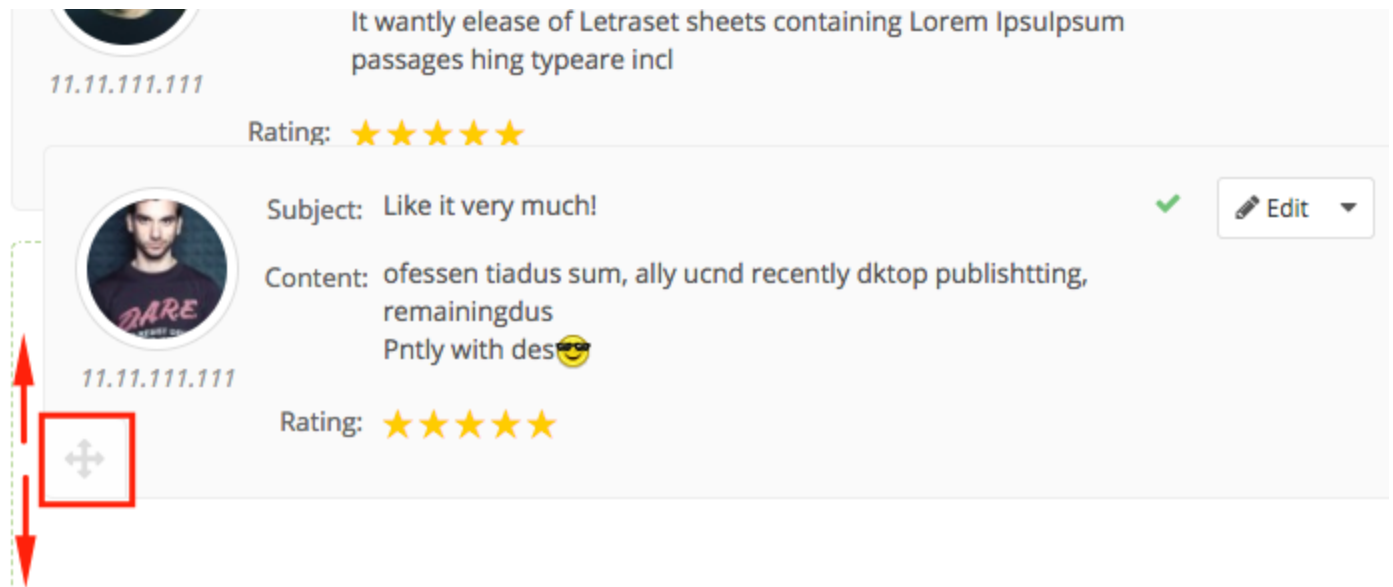
### Installation



Module is installed in a regular way. Simply upload your archive and click install.

### Managing testimonials

Once module is installed, some demo testimonials will be added to your store. These testimonials can be edited, disabled or removed in BackOffice. Editable fields include: **avatar image**, **name**, **subject**, **content**, **rating** and **date**.

Testimonials can be arranged in custom order using drag-drop:



Each testimonial can be **enabled/disabled** by clicking on  or  next to edit button.

When customers add new testimonials, you will get an e-mail notification and you can easily edit these testimonials in the same way as you edited demo content.

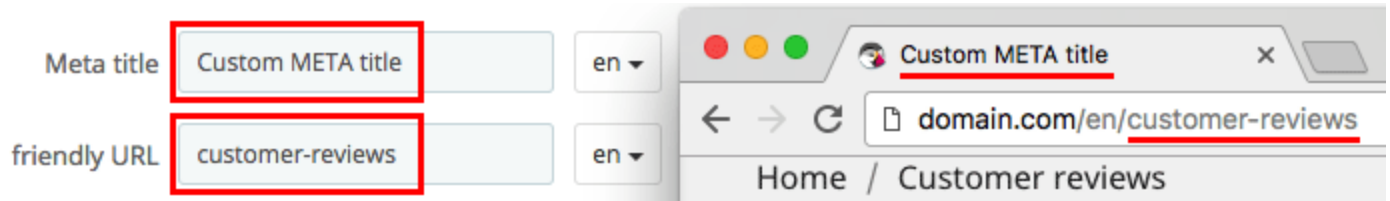
### Display settings

Display settings define how your Testimonials page will look like. Here you can **show/hide page columns**, edit **Heading (h1)** for each language, select **layout type** (grid/list), define **number of visible posts** and **sorting**.

### SEO settings

SEO settings are used to improve recognition of Testimonials page by search engines. Here you can edit **friendly URL** for each language, together with **meta title**, **meta description** and **meta keywords**.

Once module is installed, **friendly URL** is saved as *testimonials*, but you can change it to any other URL, for example *customer-reviews*



## General settings

In general settings you can define **e-mail for notifications**, select **who can post reviews**, define **number of rating stars** and **custom rating class**, set **max number of characters** in review, etc.

Most of general settings are self explanatory. Here is the description of some specific options:

**Custom rating star class:** If you leave this field empty, stars will be displayed in default way: ★

If you want to display rating in a different way, you can add custom class. For example, if your theme supports class "icon-heart", or "fa-heart" you can display "hearts" instead of "stars".

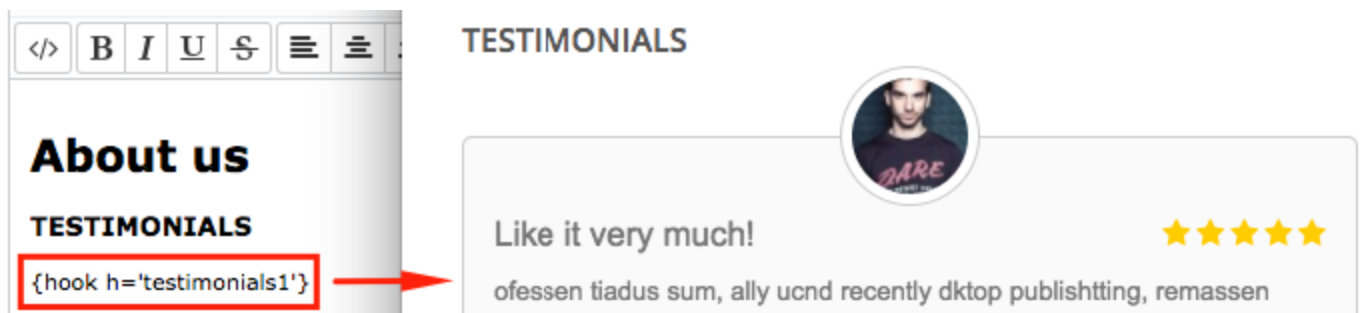


**Time interval between reviews:** This is an antisпам option. Here you can define time (in seconds) after which customer can post second review. For example, if this value is 86400, it means customers can post second review after 24 hours.

## Hook settings

Latest testimonials can be displayed as blocks in standard hooks, that are available in most modern themes: **displayHome**, **displayLeftColumn** and **displayRightColumn**.

Moreover, you can display testimonials in custom hooks : **testimonials1**, **testimonials2** and **testimonials3**. In order to display a custom hook you should first activate it in module settings, and then add the following code in any tpl file, or in editable text area of cms pages, product descriptions etc.:  
{hook h='testimonials1'} or {hook h='testimonials2'} or {hook h='testimonials3'}



## Customizing layout, styles and scripts

Initial module layout is seamlessly integrated with “classic” theme (PS 1.6 “default-bootstrap”).

The easiest way to add custom styles/scripts is to add **custom.css/custom.js** to module override subfolder in your theme. For example, **custom.css** can be added here:

```
/your_theme_folder/css/modules/testimonialswithavatars/views/css/custom.css
```

(orange subfolder is for PS 1.6)

You can add any custom code to these files. They are designed to keep all your customizations in one place and maintain them easily. These files are not affected by module upgrades.

If your customizations can not be placed in files, mentioned above, you can override other css/js/tpl files in a regular way, same as you do with other modules. For example, if you want to modify the layout of reviews list, you should add an override here:

```
/your_theme_folder/modules/testimonialswithavatars/views/templates/front/post-list.tpl
```

Keep in mind, that original files (except **custom.css/custom.js**) may be updated in the next module versions in order to get new features/variables. So, if you override a file, and it is updated in the new version, you will see this kind of warning after upgrading the module:



Some of files, that you customized, have need updated in the new version

/views/css/front.css Update it in your theme folder, and add the following code to the last line: /\* since 2.5.0 \*/

If you want to benefit from latest features added to new version of original file, you should update the override. So, you open the original file, and copy new features/variables to your customized file. In some cases you don't need to copy anything. But in either case you should add comment `/* since x.x.x */` to the last line of customized file. This comment identifies that you have checked your custom file, and warning will not be displayed anymore.

*If you have any questions, or suggestions related to this module, feel free to [contact us](#).*