

SOLARA SHIFT DOCUMENTATION

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MEDIA UPLOAD INSTRUCTIONS

After importing the template kit, you might notice that some media files (images, videos, etc.) have not been included due to export limitations. However, if this is the case, you will see fixed placeholders for each image, complete with the exact settings as initially configured in the template. If you find that certain images are missing or you want to replace them with your own, please follow these steps:

From your WordPress dashboard, navigate to **Media > Library**.

Click on the **Add New** button at the top of the page.

You can either drag and drop files into the designated area or click Select Files to choose files from your computer.

After selecting the media files, click **Open** to upload them.

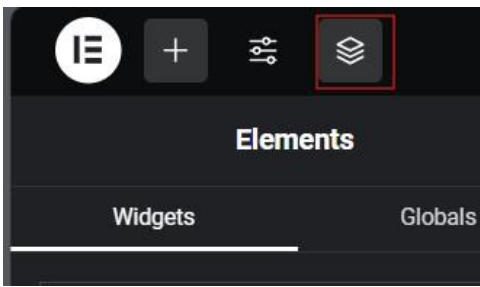
REPLACING IMAGES IN WIDGET PLACEHOLDERS

Once the media files are uploaded, follow these steps to replace images in the widget placeholders:

Scroll through the page to find the widget that contains the image placeholder you want to replace (e.g., Image, Image Box, or any widget that supports images).

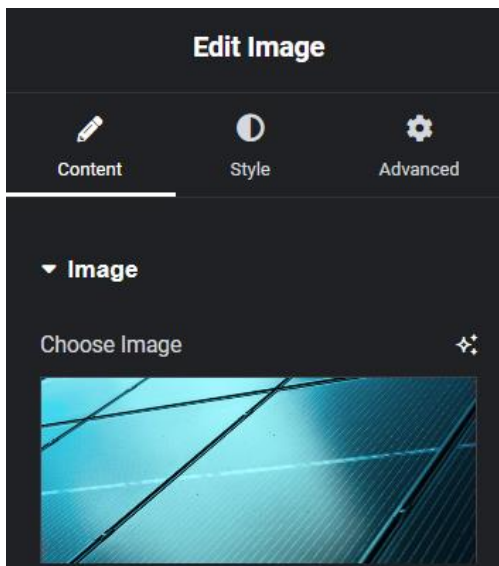
Use the Structure Panel:

Open the Structure panel by clicking on the Navigator icon (the icon with three horizontal lines) at the upper left corner of the Elementor editor.



Locate the widget you want to edit from this panel.

Once you've found the widget in the Structure panel, click on it. The settings panel for that widget will appear on the left side of the screen.



In the settings panel, look for the option to change or upload the image. This may be labeled as Image, Choose Image, or Replace. Click this to open the Media Library. You can either select an image you've already uploaded or click the Upload Files tab to add a new image.

After uploading, select the image from the Media Library.

Click Insert Media or Choose to set the image for the widget.

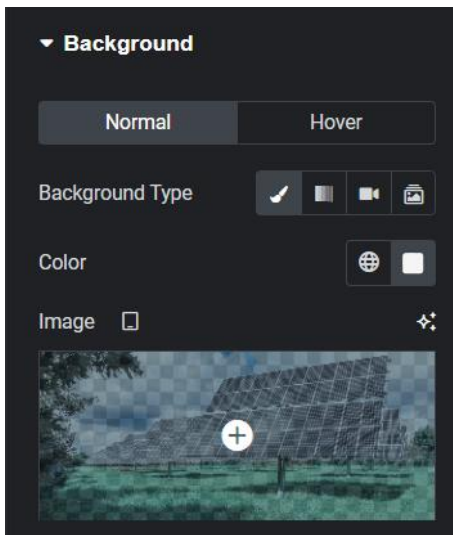
Background Images:

Some images may be set as backgrounds to their containers. To check for this:

Look at the Structure menu in Elementor. Locate the container where the image is supposed to be.

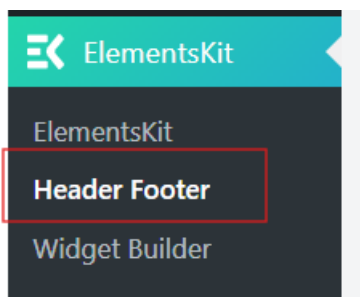
If you see "Empty" listed below that container, it indicates that the image has been set as a background rather than as a standalone image widget. This method is often necessary for achieving parallax and other visual effects.

Select the container, then in the left panel, navigate to the Style tab.

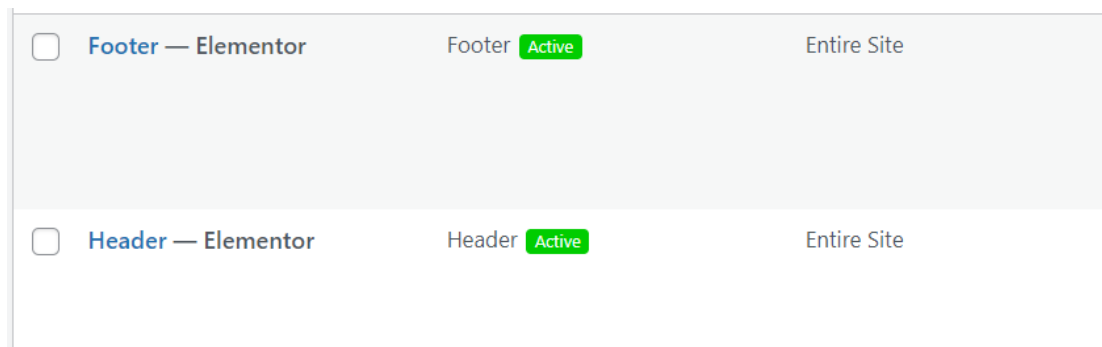


EDIT HEADER AND FOOTER

Go to Dashboard and locate ElementsKits plugin on the left menu:



Click on **Header Footer**, and you'll be directed to the created templates.



From there, click on the **Edit with Elementor** link to start customizing your header or footer.

CUSTOMIZE THE HEADER MENU

Your template kit already contains a pre-created menu called **Top Menu**. Here's how to update the existing links with your own to ensure the menu is set up for your site:

- Log in to the WordPress Dashboard.
- Go to **Appearance > Menus**.
- In the dropdown at the top, select **Top Menu** (the current menu) and click **Select** to load it.

Menu structure

Menu Name

Top Menu

- Review the existing menu items (like Home, About, Services).
- To **replace existing items**:
- Click the **dropdown arrow** on each menu item (e.g., Home, About, Services).
- Click **Remove** to delete each item from the menu.

Home

Front Page, Elementor ▲

Navigation Label

Home

Move

[Down one](#)

Original:

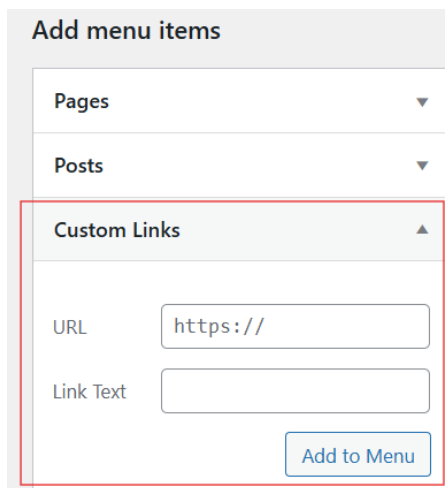
[Home](#)

Remove

[Cancel](#)

Now, to **add new links**:

- On the left sidebar, find the **Custom Links** section.



- Enter your desired link in the **URL** field (e.g., <https://yourdomain.com/about>).
- In the **Link Text** field, enter the name you want for the menu item (e.g., "About").
- Click **Add to Menu** to add the custom link to the menu structure.
- Repeat the process for all the links you want to add.
- To **arrange the menu items**, drag and drop them to the desired order in the menu structure.
- Scroll down to the **Menu Settings** section at the bottom of the Menus page, and make sure that the **Top Menu** is assigned to the Header location.
- Click **Save Menu** to apply the changes

Menu Settings

- Auto add pages ☐ Automatically add new top-level pages to this menu
- Display location ☒ Header ☐ Footer

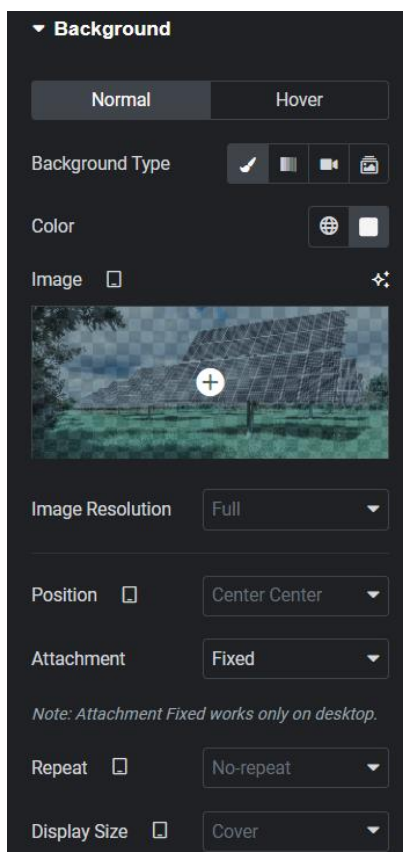
- Edit the menu in Elementor editor:
 - Open the Header template and choose **Edit with Elementor**.
 - In the Elementor editor, click on the **Nav Menu** widget that represents your site's menu.
 - In the settings panel, under **Menu**, make sure the **Top Menu** is selected.
 - To adjust the style, navigate to the **Style** tab in the settings panel. Here, you can modify the **Typography**, **Colors**, and **Spacing** for the menu items.

- You can also customize the **Hover Effects** and **Active Links**

CUSTOMIZE DEFAULT HERO IN THE HOMEPAGE

To change the background image of the section:

1. Click on **Hero** in the Structure Navigator on the right panel.
2. In the left panel, you'll see the **Image** set as the background.



3. Hover over the background image. A "Choose Image" button will appear.
4. Click "Choose Image" and select your desired image to replace the existing one.

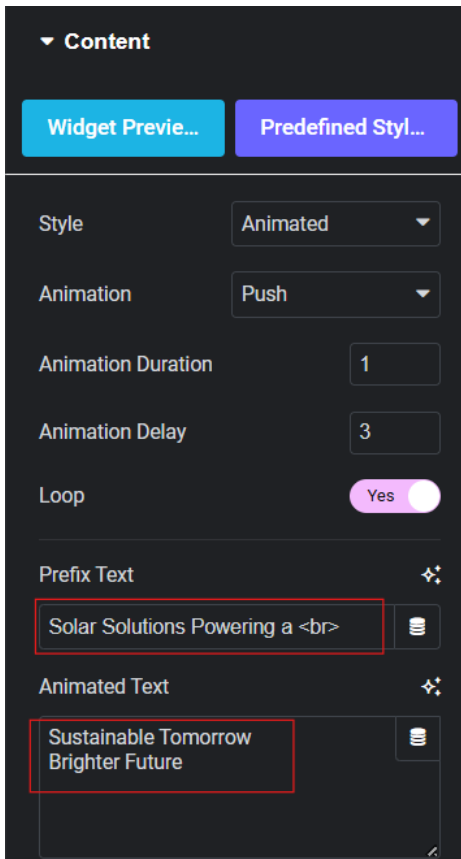
To customize text in the Advanced Text Widget:

1. Select the Advanced Text Widget:

- In the **Structure Navigator** (right panel) or directly on the page, select the **Advanced Text Widget** within the Hero section.

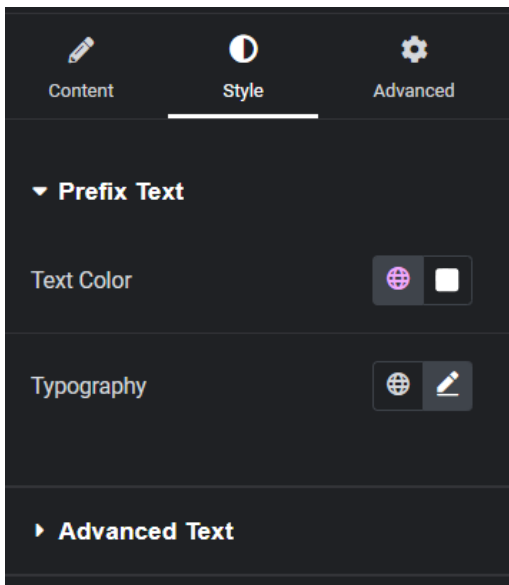
2. Edit the Text:

- In the **Left Panel**, under the **Content** tab, you'll see the text content field.
- **Click on the text** to edit or replace it with your desired text.



3. Change Text Styling:

- Switch to the **Style** tab in the left panel to adjust the typography, font size, color, and more.
- For typography settings, click the **Typography** dropdown to choose the font family, size, weight, and style.



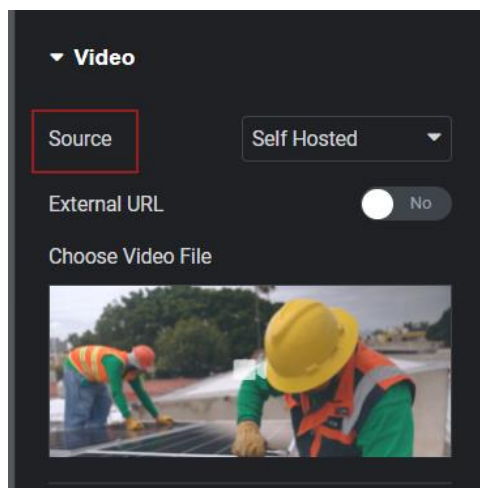
Upload your Own Video in the Hero Section:

Select the Video Widget

- Click on the video widget in the Structure panel.

Choose Video Source:

- In the **Left Panel**, under the **Content** tab, you'll find the **Source** dropdown menu.



- Here, you have a few options to choose from:
 - **Self-Hosted:** Upload a video directly from your media library (we used this option in the template by uploading an MP4 file).
 - **YouTube:** Insert a YouTube video by entering the video URL.
 - **Vimeo:** Insert a Vimeo video by entering the Vimeo URL.

Upload or Insert Your Video:

- If you choose **Self-Hosted**, click **Choose Video** to upload your own video from the **Media Library**.
- If you prefer **YouTube**, **Vimeo**, **Dailymotion**, etc, simply paste the video link in the provided field.

Customize Video Settings:

- You can adjust playback settings, such as **Autoplay**, **Loop**, **Mute**, and more to control how the video behaves.

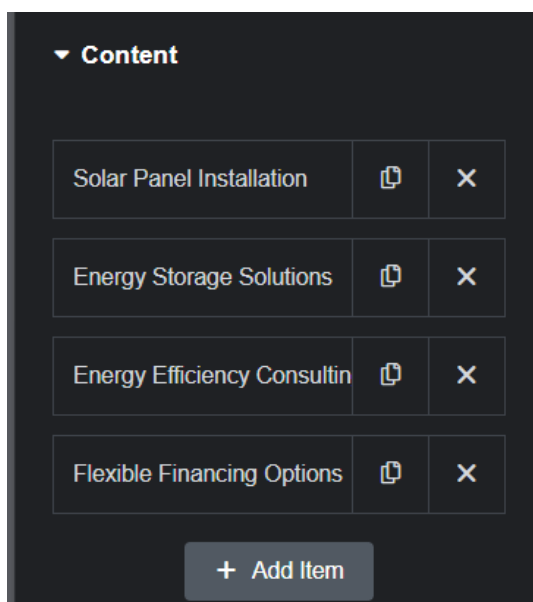
CUSTOMIZE IMAGE ACCORDION WIDGET IN THE SERVICES SECTION

Select the Image Accordion Widget:

- Click on the **Image Accordion** widget (in the Services section) to open its settings in the left panel.

Customize the Accordion Items:

- Under the **Content** tab, you will see a list of accordion items.



- To edit an existing item:
 - Click on the item you want to customize. Here is what you see:

Solar Panel Installation

Active ? ☒

Background Image

Optimize your images to enhance site performance by using Image Optimizer.

Title

Solar Panel Installation

Enable Icon ☐ No

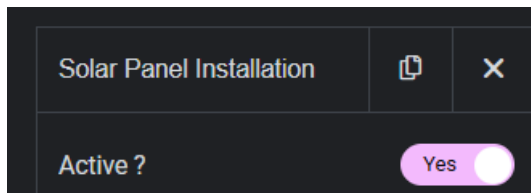
Enable Wrap Link ☐ No

Enable Button ☒ Yes

- **Title:** Change the title by editing the text in the **Title** field.
- **Image:** Click on the **Image** area to open the **Media Library**. You can upload a new image or select an existing one.
- **Button Label:** In the **Button Label** field, enter the text you want to display on the button that opens the popup.
- **Button URL:** In the **Button Link** field, add the URL that the button should link to.
- **Popup Icon:** To change the icon that triggers the popup, look for the **Icon** setting and select the desired one from the icon library.
- **Project Link:** In the **Link** field, you can add a URL that users will be directed to when they click the project. Make sure to enter the complete URL (e.g., <https://yourdomain.com/project-name>).

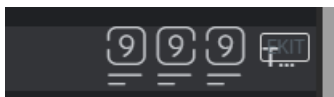
- To add a new item:
 - Click the **Add Item** button.
 - Repeat the customization steps for the new item.
- To delete an item, click on the item and select the **Remove** icon (trash can).

By setting **Active ?** option to **yes**, you can choose which accordion item is opened by default.

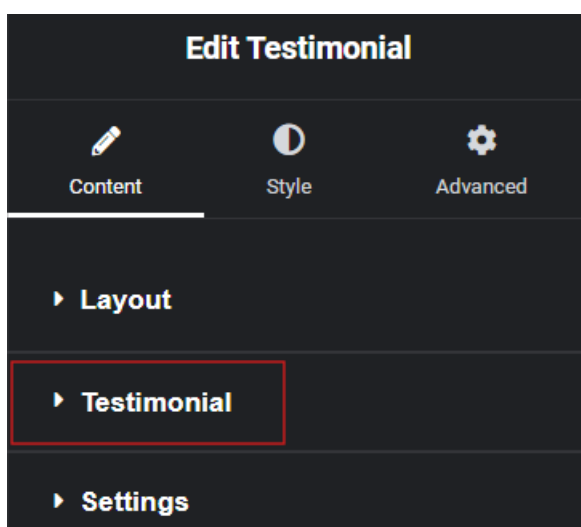


CUSTOMIZE THE TESTIMONIAL

Click on the **Testimonial Content** container in the Structure panel. There you'll find the Testimonial widget.



Click on it and then, in the left panel, click on **Testimonial** menu:




Once you click on the **Testimonial** menu, you'll see the settings:









▼ Testimonial

Enable Quote Icon ☒

Quote Icon



Enable Rating ☒

Roby Willfort		
Anne Mill		
Dane Horward		
James Baker		

+ Add Item

Here, you can change the icon, and you'll also see a list of all the client names. Click on any client name to access all available options. You can modify the **Client Name**, **Designation**, **Rating**, and **Image**. Additionally, you can add a **Link** and a **Logo** for each testimonial.

A screenshot of a testimonial form. At the top, the name 'Roby Willfort' is entered in a field with a copy icon and a close button. Below this are fields for 'Client Name' (containing 'Roby Willfort'), 'Designation' (containing 'Property Manager at Skyline Esta'), and 'Testimonial Review' (containing a paragraph about switching to SolaraShift). There is a 'Testimonial Rating' dropdown set to '5' and a 'Link' field containing 'https://wpmet.com'. At the bottom is a 'Client Avatar' field with a photo of a man.

CUSTOMIZE POST/STORY TIMELINE IN THE ABOUT PAGE

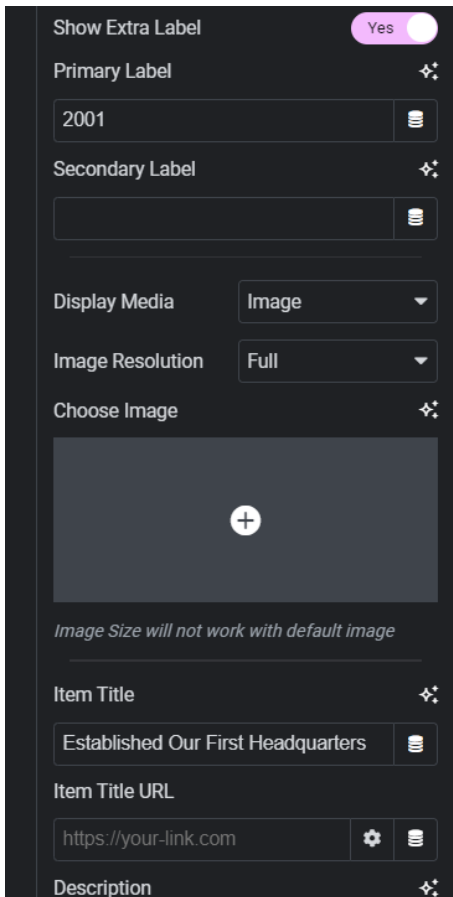
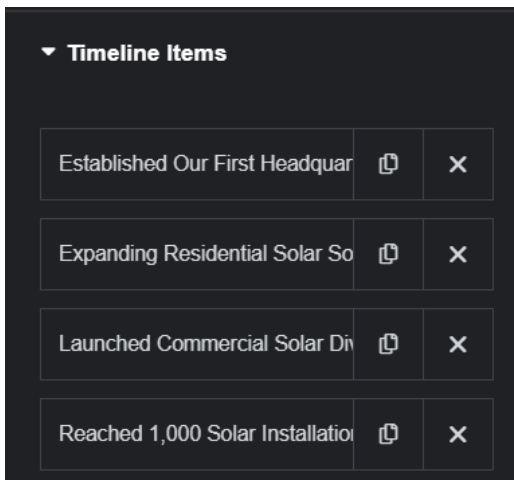
Click on the widget (Our Journey section), to access its customization options in the left panel.

Content Tab:

- Under the **Content** tab, you will find several settings divided into subsections:
 - Layout:** Choose the layout style for your timeline.

A screenshot of the 'Content' tab in a settings panel. It has three tabs: 'Content' (selected), 'Style', and 'Advanced'. Under the 'Layout' subsection, there are two buttons: 'Widget Preview' and 'Predefined Styles'. Below these are two dropdown menus: 'Timeline Content' set to 'Custom' and 'Layout' set to 'Line Left'.

- **Timeline Items:** This is where you add your individual timeline entries.



Timeline Items:

- Click on **Timeline Items** to start adding posts or stories to your timeline. Each item can be customized individually:
 - **Content:** Enter the title, description, and any additional content you want to display.

Content Customization:

- In the **Content** tab, fill in the necessary details such as title, date, and description.

▼ Timeline Items

Established Our First Headquar

Content STYLE

Main Line Label

Show Label ☐ Hide

Main Line Icon

Select Icon ☐ ☐ ☒

Extra Label

Show Extra Label ☒ Yes

Primary Label

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Secondary Label

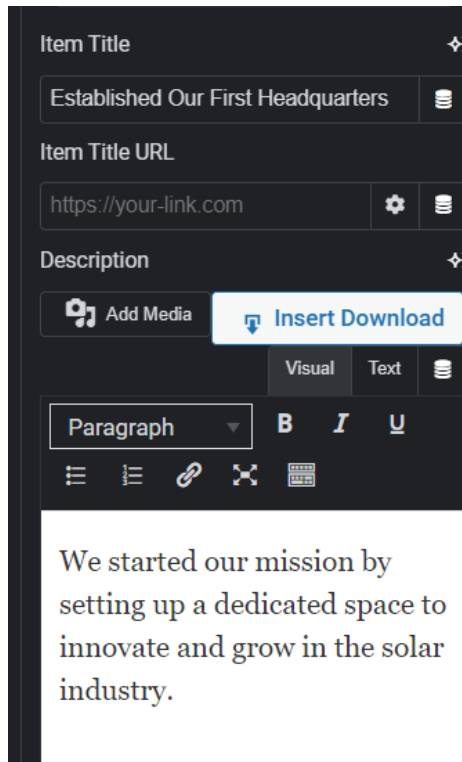
Display Media Image

Image Resolution Full

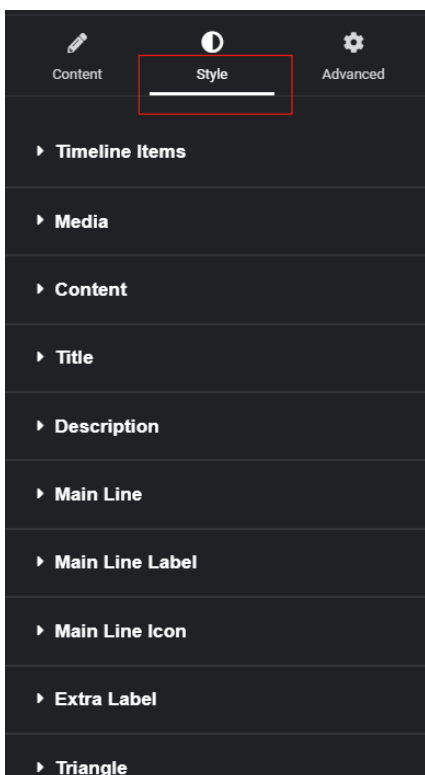
Choose Image

Options:

- **Main Line Label:** This option allows you to add a label that will appear along the main line of the timeline. It can provide context or categorize the timeline event.
- **Main Line Icon:** Choose an icon to represent each timeline item. This icon appears next to the main line label and can enhance the visual representation of your timeline.
- **Extra Label:** Add an additional label for more information or context. This label can be used for details like dates or locations that complement the main line label.
- **Primary Label:** This is a prominent label that shows the primary focus of the timeline item, such as a headline, year, or main event title (here, we have **year**).
- **Display Media:** Toggle this option to show or hide media associated with the timeline item. This can include images, icons, videos.
- **Item Title:** Enter the title for this particular timeline entry. This is usually a brief description of the event or post that grabs the user's attention.
- **Description:** Give a more detailed description of the timeline item. This text will explain the significance of the event, providing additional context to users.

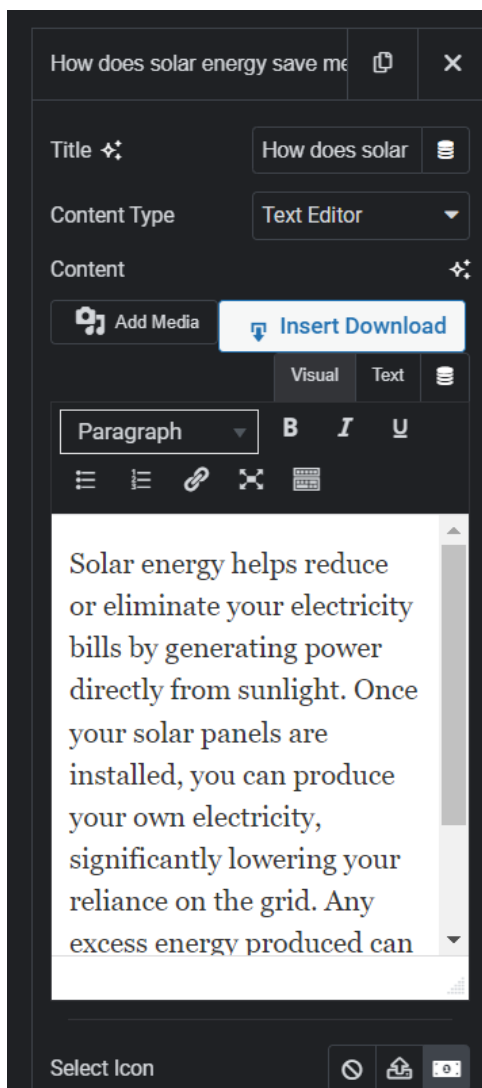


In the **Style** tab of the **Post/Story Timeline** widget, you can customize the style, colors, typography, distance from the line, vertical distance, and other visual elements to fit your design needs.

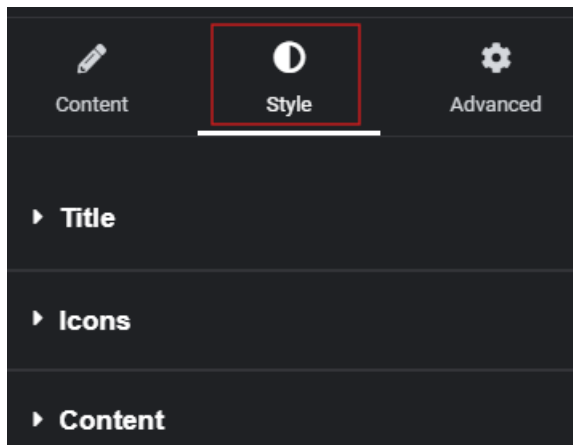


CUSTOMIZE THE FAQ ADVANCED ACCORDION IN THE SERVICES PAGE

- Select the Advanced Accordion widget in the **Faq/Questions** section to access its customization settings.
- Modify content in the **Content** tab by editing the titles and descriptions for each accordion item. Also, you can select an icon.



Adjust styling in the Style tab, where you can customize the **Title**, **Icons**, and **Content**. Options are self-explanatory, making adjustments straightforward.

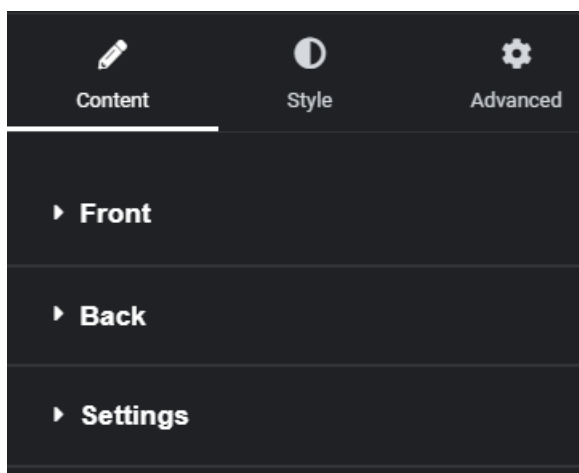


The same applies to the FAQ section on the **Single Service** page.

CUSTOMIZE FLIP CARDS IN THE SINGLE SERVICE PAGE

Click on the Flip Box widget in the **Service Cards/ Card** section.

In the left menu, in the **Content** section, you will find three main areas to configure: **Front Side**, **Back Side**, and **Flip Settings**.



- **Front Side:**

- Set the **Icon**, **Title**, and **Description** for the front view.

▼ Front

Widget Preview

Predefined Styles

Select Icon Type

Icon

Icon

Title

Residential Solar I

Description

Add Media

Insert Download

VisualText

ParagraphB*I*U

Ut aliquet massa non magna posuere, ut tincidunt mi varius. Integer nec nibh fermentum, tincidunt lectus in.

- **Back Side:**

- Configure the **Icon**, **Title** and **Description** for the back view.

▼ Back

Select Icon Type

None

Backend Content

Residential Solar I

Description

Add Media

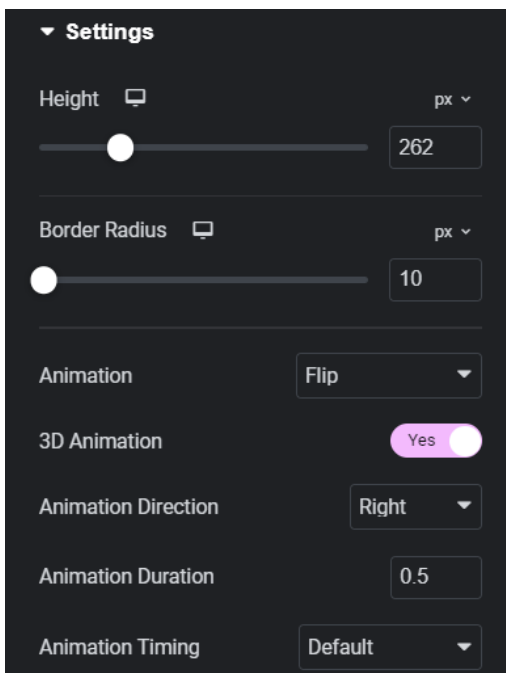
Insert Download

VisualText

ParagraphB*I*U

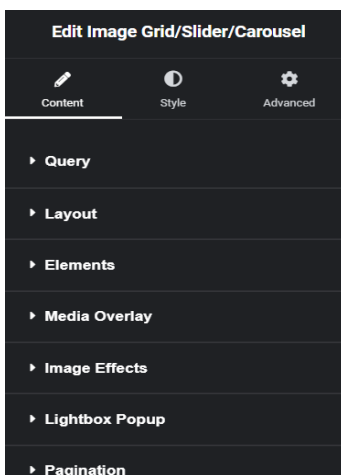
Ut aliquet massa non magna posuere, ut tincidunt mi varius. Integer nec nibh fermentum, tincidunt lectus in ut tincidunt nunc.

- **Flip Settings:**
 - In the **Flip Settings** section, you will find options to choose the **Flip Direction**. The free version has 2 options of Animations: Flip and Fade
Animation Direction:
 - You can choose between left to right or top to bottom.

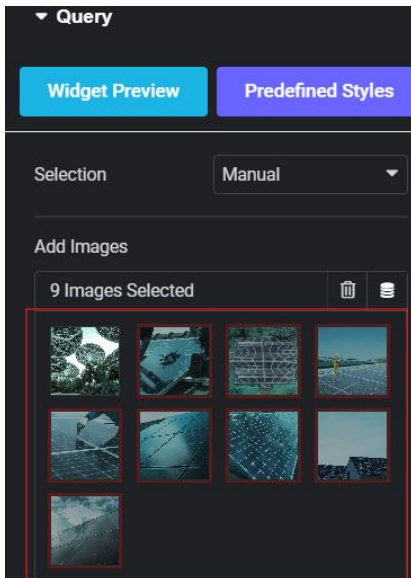


CUSTOMIZE THE GALLERY IN THE SINGLE PROJECT PAGE

Locate the widget in the Gallery/ Images sections and click on it.



- **Query:**
 - To choose specific images, click on the **Images** section and manually select your images from the **Media Library**.



Layout

- **Select Layout:** Choose the layout format for your images. Options include:
 - **FitRows:** A uniform grid layout where all rows have the same height.
 - **Masonry:** A grid layout with variable row heights, allowing images to stack in their natural aspect ratios.
 - **Slider/Carousel:** Displays images in a sliding carousel format.
- **Image Resolution:** Adjust the resolution of your images to match your design needs.
- **Horizontal Gutter:** Set the horizontal spacing (gap) between images within the grid or slider.
- **Vertical Gutter:** Set the vertical spacing (gap) between images.

Layout

Select Layout

FitRows - Equal Height

Image Resolution

Custom

700

x

900

Width

Height

Apply

Columns

Three

Grid Columns option is fully supported in the [Pro version](#)

Horizontal Gutter

10

Vertical Gutter

10

Show Filters

No

Show Pagination

Yes


Elements

Caption

- Select Element:** Choose what to display over the image, such as:
 - Caption
 - Title
 - Date
 - Time
 - Author
 - Lightbox
 - Separator
- Location:** Choose where to place the caption:
 - Above, Below, or Over Media** (directly on the image).
- Display:** Set the caption's alignment:
 - Inline:** Align the text next to the media.
 - Separate Line:** Display it on a different line.
 - Custom Width:** Manually adjust the width for a customized layout.
- Horizontal Align:** Adjust the caption's position horizontally.
- Word Count:** Limit or extend the number of words displayed in the caption.

▼ Elements

Caption



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Select Element

Caption

Location

Below Media

Display

Inline

Horizontal Align

|←

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→|

Enable Drop Cap

☐ No

Word Count

20

Lightbox

- **Location: Over Media** refers to the placement of additional elements (like extra text or icons) on the Lightbox display.
- **Display: Separate Line** means that the extra elements (text, icons) will be arranged on their own line, rather than inline with other content, creating a cleaner separation in the layout.
- **Vertical & Horizontal Align:** Set the lightbox alignment within the layout.
- **Media Overlay:** Enable or disable an overlay on the image when using the lightbox.
- **Extra Text Display:** Add additional text to display inside the lightbox.
- **Extra Icon Position:** Customize the placement of extra icons within the lightbox.
- **Select Icon:** Choose a specific icon for the lightbox interaction.
- **Animation:** Set custom animations for when the lightbox opens or closes, adding dynamic effects.

Lightbox

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Select Element

Lightbox

Location

Over Media

Display

Seperate Line

Vertical Align option is available
in the [Pro version](#)

Vertical Align

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↕

↓

Horizontal Align

←

↔

→

Media Overlay

Yes

Extra Text Display

None

Extra Icon Position

Before Element

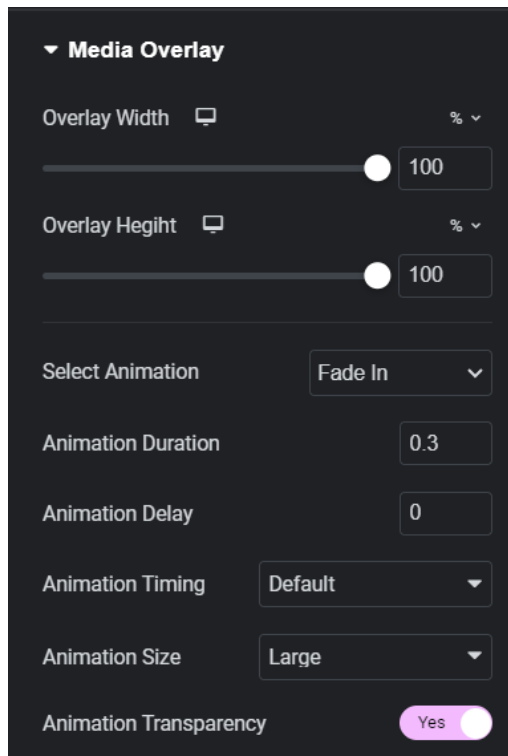
Select Icon

Select Animation


Fade In

Media Overlay


- **Overlay Width & Height:** This refers to the size of the overlay that appears on top of your image when hovering or interacting with it. You can control the dimensions of this overlay in relation to the image size, which can create effects like partial or full overlays. Increasing width and height will cause the overlay to cover more of the image.
- **Animation Settings:** You can choose different animations, which dictate how the overlay behaves when the user hovers over or interacts with the image.

A screenshot of a dark-themed settings panel titled "Media Overlay". It contains several configuration options: "Overlay Width" and "Overlay Height" are sliders set to 100% with percentage dropdowns; "Select Animation" is a dropdown menu set to "Fade In"; "Animation Duration" is a text input set to "0.3"; "Animation Delay" is a text input set to "0"; "Animation Timing" is a dropdown menu set to "Default"; "Animation Size" is a dropdown menu set to "Large"; and "Animation Transparency" is a toggle switch set to "Yes".

▼ **Media Overlay**

Overlay Width  % ▾

100

Overlay Height  % ▾

100

Select Animation Fade In ▾

Animation Duration 0.3

Animation Delay 0

Animation Timing Default ▾

Animation Size Large ▾

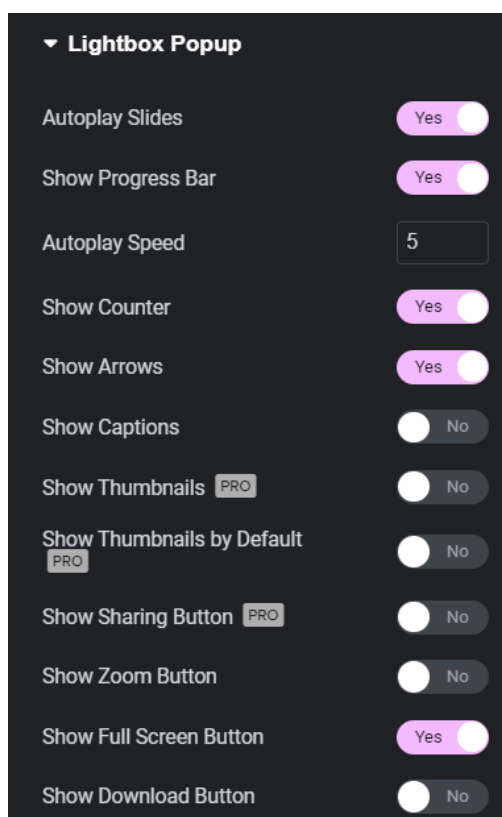
Animation Transparency Yes

Lightbox Popup

The **Lightbox popup** feature allows users to view a larger version of an image when it is clicked.

- **Autoplay Slides:** This option enables automatic transitions between images in the lightbox. When activated, images will change automatically after a set duration.
- **Show Progress Bar:** When enabled, a progress bar will be displayed at the bottom of the lightbox, indicating how much of the current image is remaining before the next one appears.
- **Autoplay Speed:** This setting allows users to specify the duration each image remains on screen before transitioning to the next one during autoplay.
- **Show Counter:** Enabling this option displays the current image number in relation to the total number of images (e.g., "1 of 5"), providing context to users about their position in the gallery.
- **Show Errors:** This option allows the display of error messages if an image fails to load, ensuring users are aware of any issues.
- **Show Captions:** When this is enabled, any captions added to images will be displayed within the lightbox, giving users additional context about the images they are viewing.
- **Show Zoom Button:** This adds a zoom feature in the lightbox, allowing users to enlarge the image for a closer view.
- **Show Full Screen Button:** This option enables users to view the image in full-screen mode, providing a more immersive experience.

- **Show Download Button:** When activated, a download button will appear, allowing users to easily download the displayed image.



Feel free to modify it to align with your website's style and requirements.

REPLACE THE DEFAULT HOMEPAGE HERO WITH ALTERNATIVE TEMPLATES

To replace the existing homepage widgets with alternative options like the Hero 1/ Hero2 follow these steps:

Locate the existing Hero container within the Structure panel. Delete it.

Insert the Desired Hero Template:

Once the existing Hero widget is removed, click on the Add Template button (folder icon) in the Elementor panel.



In the Template Library, navigate to the My Templates tab.

Find the alternative Hero templates (Hero 1 or Hero 2) that you want to use.

Click on the Insert button next to the desired template. The new Hero widget will be added to your homepage.

Replace the Existing Project Gallery

In the Structure panel, select the existing Projects container that you want to replace, and delete it.

Insert the New Filterable Gallery Template:

Click on the Add Template button (see the image above).

Navigate to My Templates tab in the Template Library.

Locate the Filterable Gallery template that you wish to use.

Click on the Insert button next to the Filterable Gallery template. The new gallery widget will now appear on your homepage.

CUSTOMIZE THE FILTERABLE GALLERY


Locate the Filterable Gallery Widget in the Gallery section.

Once you have selected the Filterable Gallery widget, look at the left panel to find the Settings tab.


Here, you will see general settings for the gallery, including options for type, number of columns, and more.

In the Settings tab, you can choose the icons for the Lightbox or link items to an external URL. For this template, we only used the Lightbox option.

▼ **Settings**

Items to show 

Animation Duration (ms)

Columns 

Grid Style

Image Height

Layout

Hover Style

Hover Transition

Link to

Title Clickable ☐ Disable

Image Clickable ☐ Disable

Show Popup Caption ☐ Hide


Configure Filters:

Navigate to the **Filterable Controls** menu.




In the List Item box, write the name of the menu filter that you want to use to filter items belonging to this category.

▼ **Filterable Controls**

Enable Filter ☒ Yes

Gallery All Label 

Select Title Tag

Category 1		
List Item		
Category 1		

Assign category to the item:

Navigate to the **Gallery Items** section. Enter the name of the item you want to display.

Important: In both the **Control Name** and **Item Category** boxes, make sure to write the same name of the category filter (the same one that you wrote in the Configure Filters section above). This step is crucial for the filter to work properly, as it attaches the category to the corresponding item.

Control Name

Category 1

Use the gallery control name from Control Settings. Separate multiple items with comma (e.g. Gallery Item, Gallery Item 2)

Item Name

Project Name

Enable Price ? ☐ No

Enable Ratings ? ☐ No

Enable Category ? ☒ Yes

Item Category Category 1

Edit Text and Upload Images:

Scroll down to find the text box where you can edit the text associated with the gallery item.

In this section, you will also find the option to upload an image for the gallery item. Click on the upload area to select an image from your Media Library or upload a new one.

Item Content

Add Media

Insert Download


Visual Text

Paragraph

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Enter your project description here. Describe what it's about and why it matters.

Image



Assign External Links (if necessary):

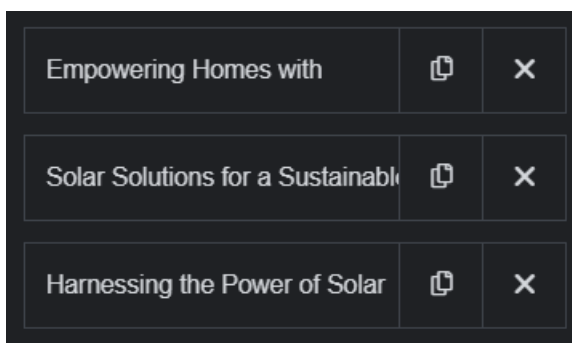
If you wish to assign an external link to the gallery item, you can do so in the designated field. This allows users to be redirected to an external site when they click on the gallery item.

CUSTOMIZE THE SLIDER BANNER IN HERO

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Locate the Slider Widget, in: Hero/Container/Advanced Slider

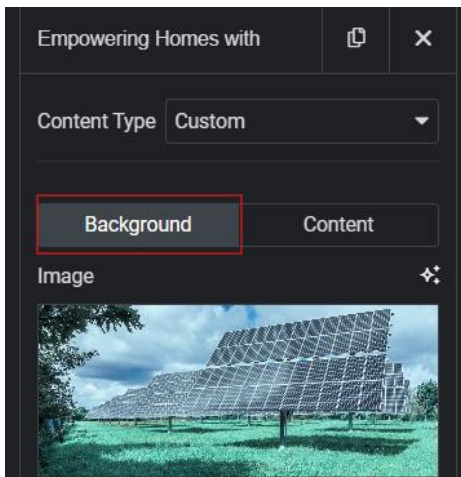
Once you have selected the Slider widget, look at the left panel to find the Content tab. In this tab, you will see three boxes corresponding to the three existing images in the slider. You can add more images as needed by clicking the Add Item button.



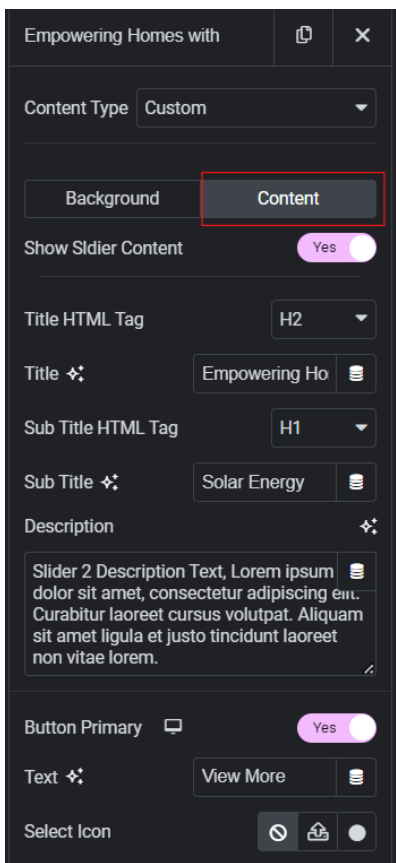
Edit Each Slider Image:

Click on the first box to customize the first image. You will see two tabs: Background and Content.

Background: Use this tab to upload or change the image for the slider. Click on the Choose Image button to select an image from your Media Library or upload a new one.



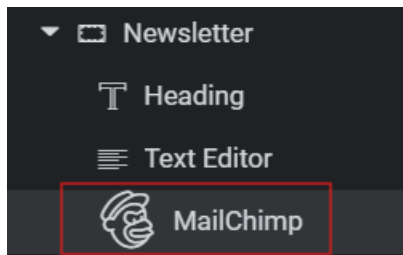
Content: Use this tab to edit the text associated with the slider image. Here, you can customize the title, description, and other text elements.



Repeat for additional images.

NEWSLETTER FORM

The **Newsletter form** is located in the **Footer** section of your template. To configure it, you'll need to access the **Form** section in the left menu, where you will find all the instructions concerning the **API key** required for proper functionality. This section will guide you through the steps necessary to integrate your newsletter subscription service, ensuring you can effectively capture and manage subscriber information.



▼ Form

Please note! Please set API Key in ElementsKit_Lite Dashboard - User Data - MailChimp and Create Campaign..

Select List

Select List ▼

Create a campaign in mailchimp account Create Campaign

Double Opt-in

☐ No

If you enable this feature , then you must need to enable it inside Mailchimp campaign settings. Otherwise please disable it.