- 1. Uses **Tailwind CSS** for styling
- 2. Has a **sticky header** that stays on top while scrolling
- 3. Shows images that fade in/out (or slide) as the user scrolls down the page

Feel free to copy-paste the snippets, tweak the styles, and expand the content as you grow your blog.

1. Project Setup

```
# Create a new Astro project (if you haven't already)
npm create astro@latest my-astro-blog
cd my-astro-blog
# Install Tailwind CSS and its dependencies
npm install -D tailwindcss postcss autoprefixer
# Initialise Tailwind
npx tailwindcss init -p # creates tailwind.config.js & postcss.config.cjs
# Install a small utility for scroll animations (optional)
npm install -D @tweenjs/tween.js
tailwind.config.cjs
/** @type {import('tailwindcss').Config} */
module exports = {
  content: [
    "./src/**/*.{astro, js, jsx, ts, tsx}",
    // If you add more directories, list them here
  theme: {
    extend: {},
  },
  plugins: [],
src/styles/tailwind.css
@tailwind base;
@tailwind components;
@tailwind utilities;
/* Custom utility for the sticky header */
.sticky-header {
  @apply fixed top-0 w-full z-50 shadow-md bg-white dark:bg-gray-900;
src/layouts/Base.astro
const { title } = Astro.props;
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
    <meta charset="utf-8" />
    <link rel="icon" type="image/svg+xml" href="/favicon.svg" />
    <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0" />
    <title>{title ? `${title} | My Astro Blog` : "My Astro Blog"}</title>
```

```
k rel="stylesheet" href="/src/styles/tailwind.css" />
  </head>
  <body class="bg-gray-50 dark:bg-gray-800 text-gray-900 dark:text-gray-100">
        <slot />
        </body>
  </html>
```

2. Sticky Header Component

```
Create src/components/Header.astro:
```

```
const { navLinks } = Astro.props;
<header class="sticky-header flex items-center justify-between px-6 py-4">
 <hl class="text-xl font-bold text-indigo-600 dark:text-indigo-400">My Astro Blog</
  <nav class="space-x-4">
    {navLinks.map(link => (
      <a href={link.href} class="hover:underline">
        {link.text}
      </a>
    ))}
  </nav>
</header>
Add a few links in the main page:
import Header from '../components/Header.astro';
const navLinks = [
  { href: '/', text: 'Home' },
  { href: '/about', text: 'About' },
  { href: '/blog', text: 'Blog' },
];
<Header navLinks={navLinks} />
```

Because the header uses fixed top-0, it will stay visible as you scroll.

3. Scroll-Triggered Image Animations

We'll use **IntersectionObserver** (built-in, no extra libs) to add a CSS class when an image enters the viewport. The class will apply a transition (fade/slide).

3-1. Utility Hook

```
Create src/utils/useIntersection.ts:
import { onMount } from 'solid-js';
export function useIntersection(
  element: HTMLElement,
  options: IntersectionObserverInit = { threshold: 0.2 }
) {
  let observer: IntersectionObserver | null = null;
```

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onMount(() => {
    if (!element) return;
    observer = new IntersectionObserver((entries) => {
      entries.forEach((entry) => {
        if (entry.isIntersecting) {
          element.classList.add('animate-visible');
        } else {
          // If you want images to animate back out when scrolling up:
          element.classList.remove('animate-visible');
        }
      });
    }, options);
    observer.observe(element);
  return () => {
    if (observer) observer.disconnect();
  };
}
3-2. Image Component
Create src/components/ScrollImage.astro:
import { useIntersection } from '../utils/useIntersection';
import type { ComponentProps } from 'solid-js';
const props = Astro.props as {
  src: string;
  alt?: string;
  class?: string;
};
<img
  ref={useIntersection}
  src={props.src}
  alt={props.alt ?? ''}
  class={`transform opacity-0 transition-all duration-700 ease-out ${props.class}`}
  loading="lazy"
/>
3-3. Tailwind Animations
Add to src/styles/tailwind.css:
/* Fade in from the bottom */
@keyframes fadeInUp {
  0% {
    opacity: 0;
    transform: translateY(20px);
  }
  100% {
    opacity: 1;
    transform: translateY(0);
  }
```

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}
.animate-visible {
  animation: fadeInUp ls forwards;
}
```

4. Putting It All Together

```
Create a simple page, e.g., src/pages/index.astro:
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```
import Header from '../components/Header.astro';
import ScrollImage from '../components/ScrollImage.astro';
const navLinks = [
 { href: '/', text: 'Home' },
 { href: '/about', text: 'About' },
 { href: '/blog', text: 'Blog' },
];
<Base title="Home">
 <Header navLinks={navLinks} />
 <!-- Hero section -->
 <section class="pt-20 bg-indigo-50 dark:bg-indigo-900 py-12">
   <div class="max-w-4xl mx-auto text-center space-y-6">
     <h2 class="text-3xl font-bold">Welcome to My Astro Blog</h2>
     Dive into articles about web dev, design, and more.
     </div>
 </section>
 <!-- Content with images -->
 <main class="max-w-4xl mx-auto py-12 space-y-20">
   {Array.from({ length: 6 }).map((_, i) => (
     <section class="space-y-4">
       <h3 class="text-xl font-semibold">Article {i + 1}</h3>
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         luctus.
       <ScrollImage
         src={`/images/sample-${i + 1}.jpg`}
         alt={`Sample image ${i + 1}`}
       />
     </section>
   ))}
 </main>
 <footer class="py-6 text-center text-sm text-gray-500 dark:text-gray-400">
   © 2025 My Astro Blog
 </footer>
</Base>
```

Tip: Put placeholder images in public/images/ or use unsplash URLs.

5. Run & Build

Development server
npm run dev

Production build
npm run build

Open http://localhost:3000 and scroll. The header stays fixed, and each image fades in as it enters the viewport.

6. Enhancements & Variations

Idea	How to Implement
Lazy-load images	Add loading="lazy" (already included).
Slide-in from left/ right	Change the @keyframes to translateX instead of Y.
Animate on scroll	Keep the else block in IntersectionObserver to remove the class.
up	
Use a library (GSAP, ScrollMagic)	Import GSAP and use its ScrollTrigger for more complex sequences.
Dark mode toggle	Add a button that toggles class="dark" on <html>.</html>
Pagination / Infinite	Use Astro's client:load components or fetch API data.
scroll	

7. Recap

- Astro gives you a fast, framework-agnostic site generator.
- Tailwind CSS handles all styling; the sticky header uses fixed top-0.
- **IntersectionObserver** triggers a CSS animation class on images, creating a smooth fade/slide effect as the user scrolls.

Happy coding! If you run into any snags or want to add more features, just let me know.