GeekLove

An Elegant WordPress Wedding Theme

Thanks for purchasing a theme from Codestag, you're awesome!

In this document we will cover the installation and use of this theme. If you have any questions that are beyond the scope of this help file, please feel free to email us via our user page contact form here, or jump into our dedicated Support Desk.

Thanks!

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1. Getting Started

In order to install the current version of WordPress Theme, please go to http://wordpress.org and download the current version of WordPress. For information on how to install a WordPress Platform, please see the WordPress codex page http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress.

1.1 Installing the Theme

When you are ready to install a theme, you must first upload the theme to your WordPress directory. There are two ways you can install the theme:

- Using FTP: By using any FTP program of your choice you can upload the non-zipped folder to the /wp-content/themes/ folder on your server.
- Using WordPress: Navigate to Appearance > Themes > Install Themes. Go to upload and select the zipped theme folder and hit install now and theme will be uploaded and installed.

Once you have uploaded the theme, you need to active it. To activate your new theme, go to Appearance > Themes and activate your chosen theme.

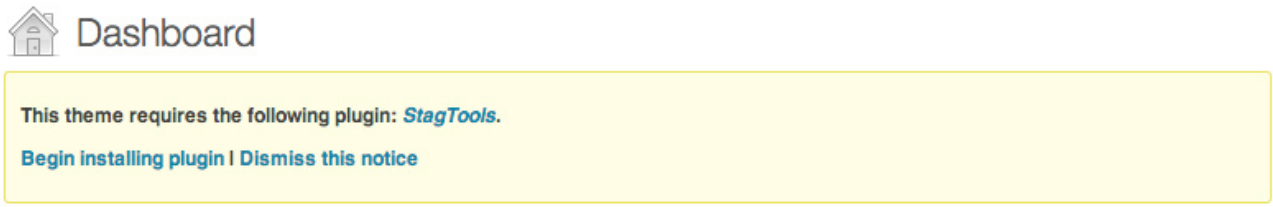
1.2 Installing the StagTools Free Plugin

StagTools plugin is required in order for this theme to work as the demo. It is a lightweight and free plugin that adds the portfolio custom post types, custom widgets and adds a shortcode generator where you can quickly add handy shortcodes in your theme.

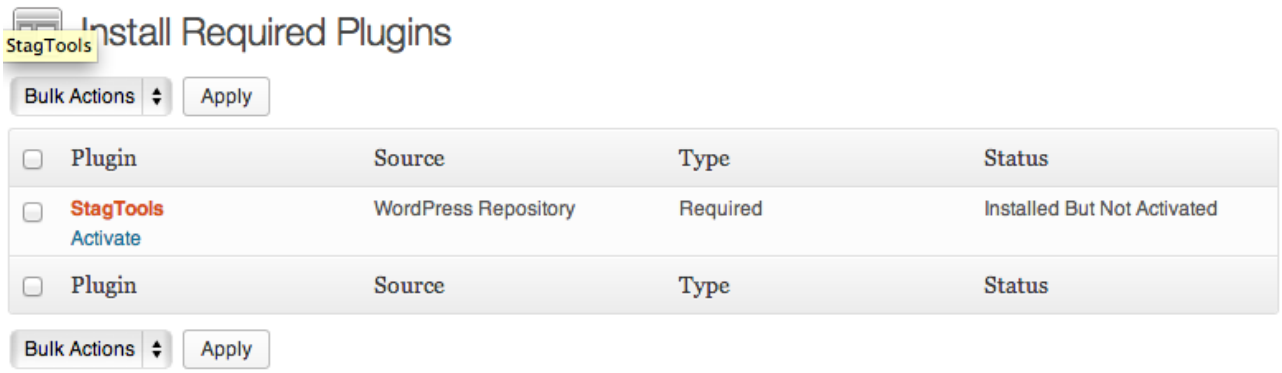
You can keep StagTools with you even if you change your theme so you don’t have to update those shortcodes on changing theme each time.

1.2.1 Installation instructions

Once you have installed the theme you should see the following notification at your admin side:



Click on the “Begin installing plugin” link to begin the installation.
Once you install the plugin, please return to the plugin list, and activate it.
That’s it, you should be good to go.



For more info about the plugin please go here.

1.3 Loading Dummy Data

You can optionally load a dummy data XML, that will create posts, pages etc for you, based on the theme’s demo.

You can grab the dummy XML file from here. Select you theme and download the XML file. You will then have to import it into your installation.

Please note: In many cases just importing the dummy .xml will not work since you will also have to make some manual configurations. Please go through this

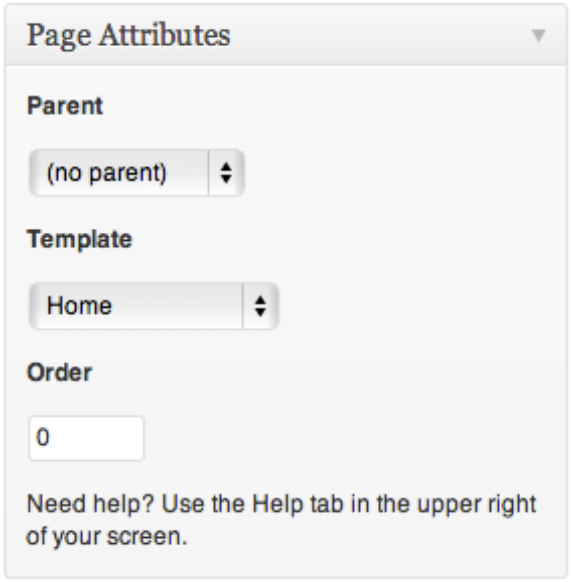
documentation to fully understand how the theme works in order to customize it to fit your needs.

2. Setting Up The Pages

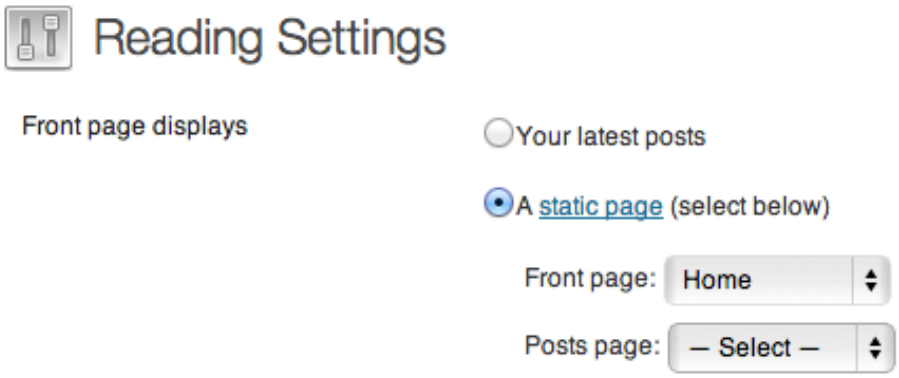
2.1 Setting Up The Homepage

Setting up the homepage is simple. Please follow the steps below:

- Go to Pages > Add New and create a new page. Give it a name (e.g. home) and set the template as “Home“ from the Page attributes section on the right. After doing so, click the **Publish** button.



- Then go to Settings > Reading Settings. The first option lets you define what the front page of the site shall display. Select the **Static Page** radio button and select the page you just created at the **Front Page** dropdown.



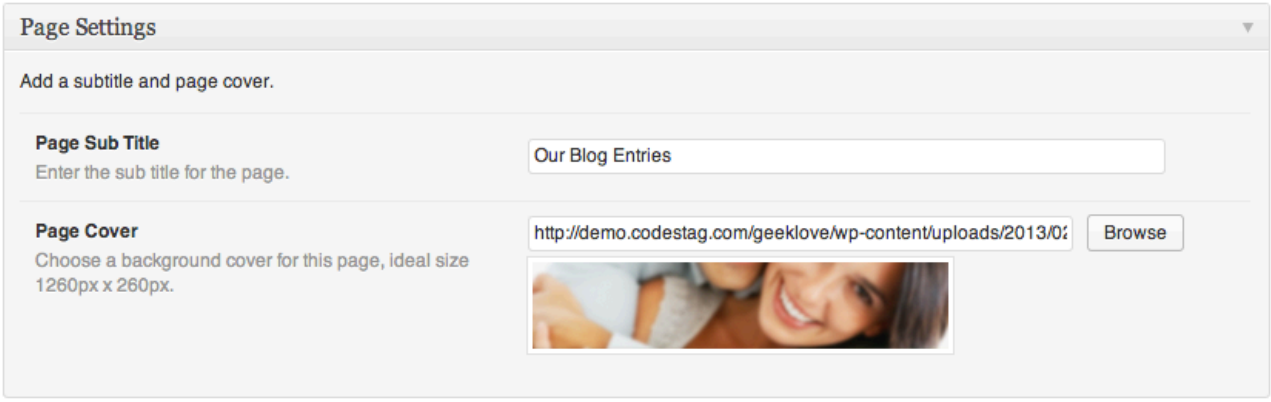
2.2 Setting up the Wedding Details

You can easily setup the wedding details at the Theme Options panel, under the **Wedding Settings tab**. There you can set the Wedding date and time, the name of the Groom and Bride, and some other settings. Please take a minute to set those before continuing.

2.3 Setting up the Blog

Like we did for the homepage, we now have to repeat the process to define a blog page:

- Go to Pages > Add New and create a new page.
- Give it a name (e.g. Blog) and set the template as **“Default Template“** from the Page attributes section on the right.
- Also, under the Content editor, you will see a “Page Settings” Panel. You can set a page subtitle there, and a page cover, which will be the background image that appears at the top of the blog page in the demo.



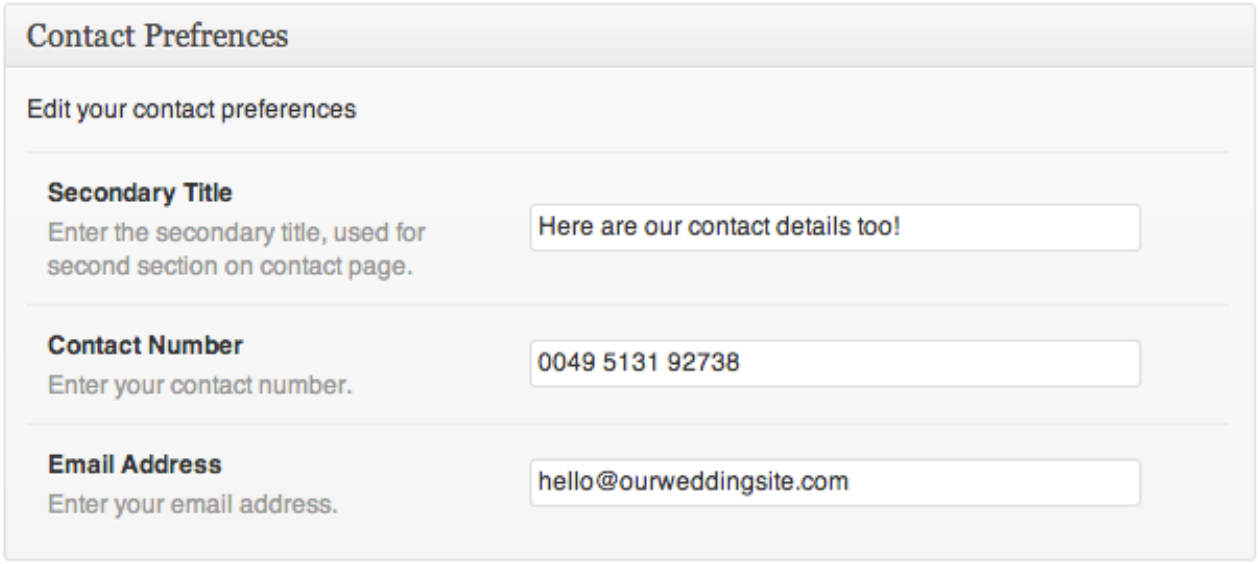
As soon as you set up those, hit the **Publish button** on the top right of the page.

- Then go to Settings > Reading Settings. If you have followed the instructions step by step until now, the **Static Page** radio button must be already selected. Please select the Blog page you just created at the Posts Page dropdown. Below that, there is also a field where you can choose the number of posts to show per each page at the blog. The theme demo is set to 3 posts per page.
- For instructions on how to show the Blog Link at the navigation menu, please refer to the "6.1 Custom Menus" section of the documentation.

2.4 Setting up the Contact Page

Like we did for the homepage and Blog, we now have to repeat the process to define a Contact page:

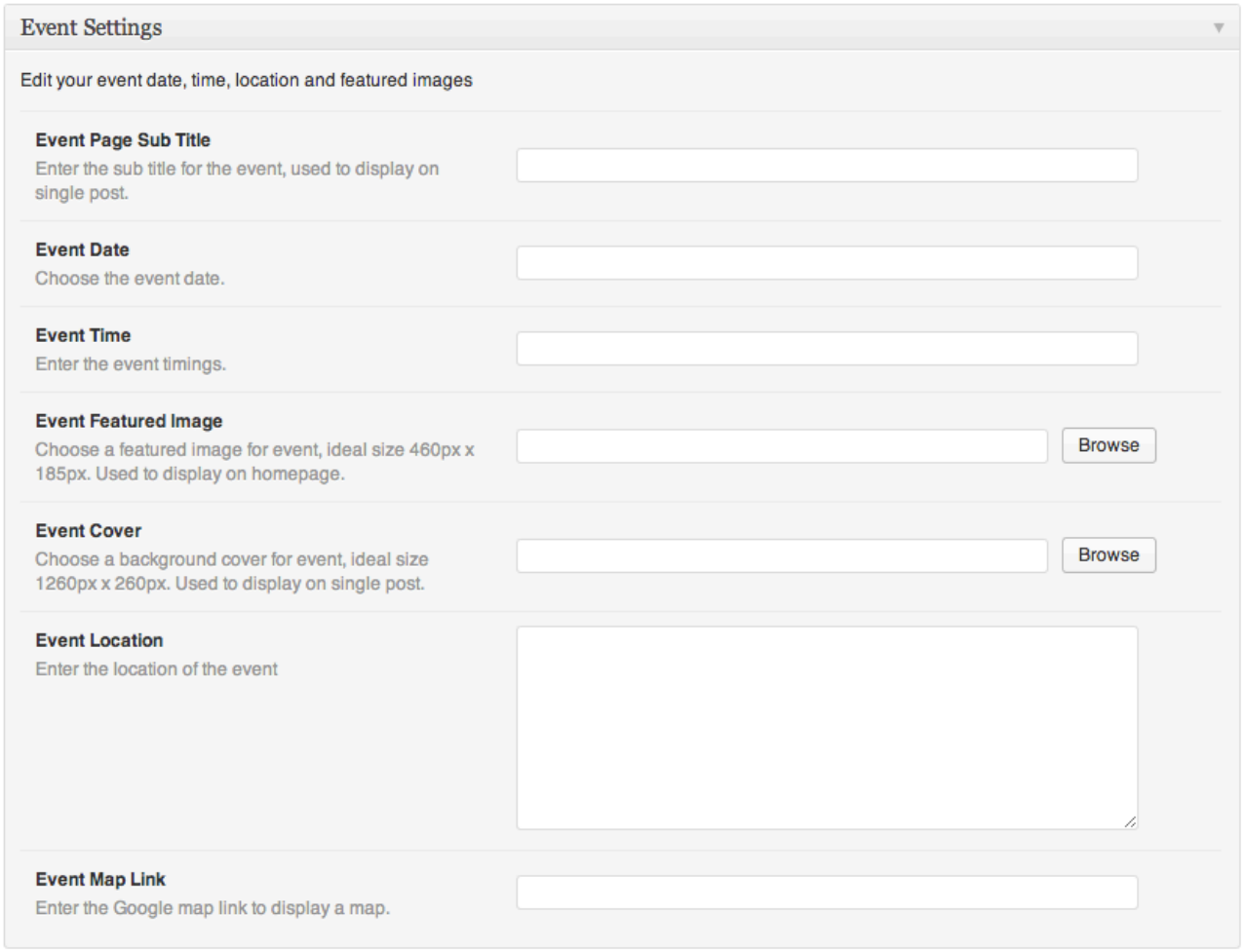
- Go to Pages > Add New and create a new page.
- Give it a name (e.g. Contact) and set the template as **"Contact Form"** from the Page attributes section on the right.
- Under the Content Editor, you can see a panel named Contact Preferences. You can set the basic contact details at these fields.



- Under that panel, you will also see a “Page Settings” Panel. You can set a page subtitle there, and a page cover, which will be the background image that appears at the top of the contact page in the demo.

3.Setting up the Events

For the demo purposes we created 2 events: The Ceremony and the Wedding Party.
You can easily set up events for your wedding by going to Events > Add new.
You basically create a new page for your event, and you can set up a number of properties:



- **Event Page Subtitle:** Enter the sub title for the event, used to display on single post.
- **Event Date:** Set the date of the Event
- **Event Time:** Enter the time schedule of the event (e.g. 14:00 PM - 16:00 PM)
- **Event Featured Image:** Choose a featured image for event, (ideal size 460px x 185px). This is used to display on the homepage events section.
- **Event Cover:** Choose a background cover for event, (ideal size 1260px x 260px). Used to display on the single event page.
- **Event Location:** Enter the location of the event.
- **Event Map Link:** Enter the Google map link to display a map.
- For instructions on how to show the Events Link at the navigation menu, please refer to the “Custom Menus” section of the documentation.

4. Setting up the Photo Gallery

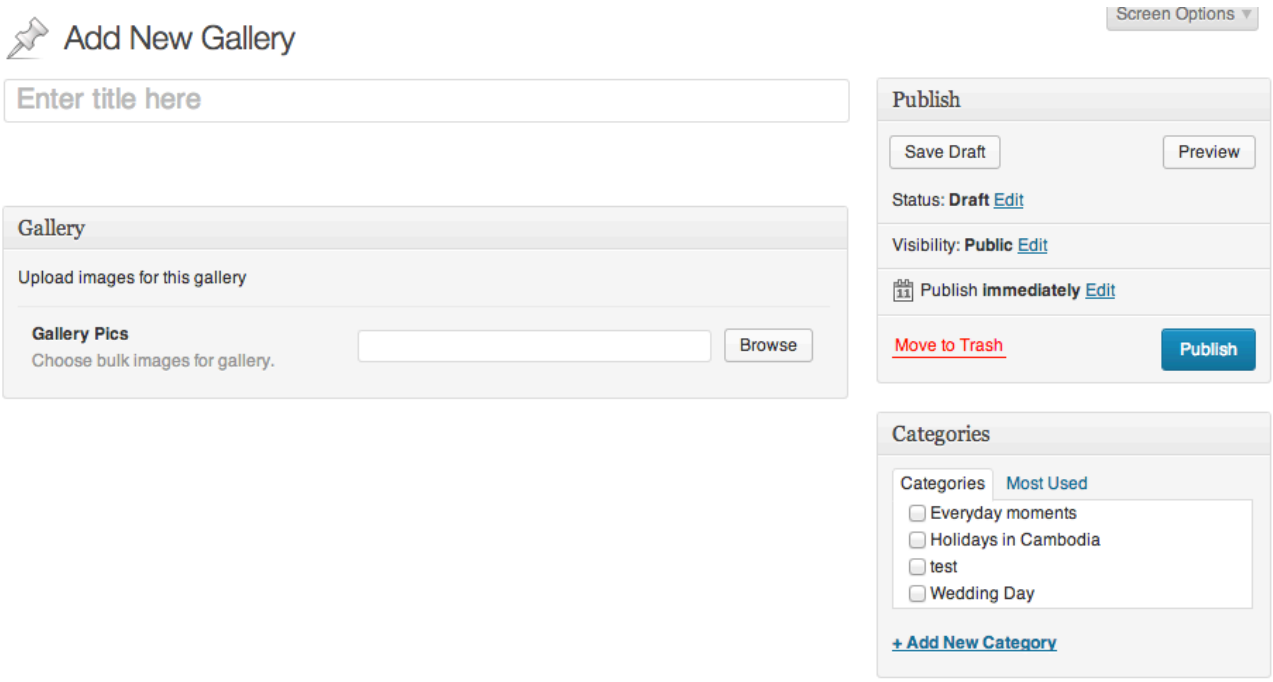
4.1 Creating a Gallery page

GeekLove allows the creation of a photo gallery that has a dedicated page showing a gallery of categorized photos. Let's set up this page.

- Go to Pages > Add New and create a Gallery page, giving a title, and setting up the page properties as you did with the Blog page (Cover image, page subtitle etc).
- Finally, set the template as "**Photo Gallery**" from the **Page attributes** section on the right.
- After doing so, click the **Publish** button.
- For instructions on how to show the Gallery Link at the navigation menu, please refer to the "**6.1 Custom Menus**" section of the documentation.

4.2 Creating Photo Galleries

Consider the photo galleries as **"albums"** that can be assigned to **categories.** For example you can have a category of "Wedding", and a category of "Party". Under each of these categories you can have several galleries.



- Go to Galleries > Create New. Give your Gallery a title.
- Click on the **Browse** button and select your images.
- Assign this gallery to a Category by using the categories box on the right. If you have not created any Gallery categories yet, you can easily create one within the box.

Note: The categories you are creating will serve as filters at the Gallery page at the frontend. Look at the demo for an example.

- When you are finished hit the **Publish** button and you are ready to go. Repeat the process for creating more galleries and categories also.

5. Setting up the Guestbook

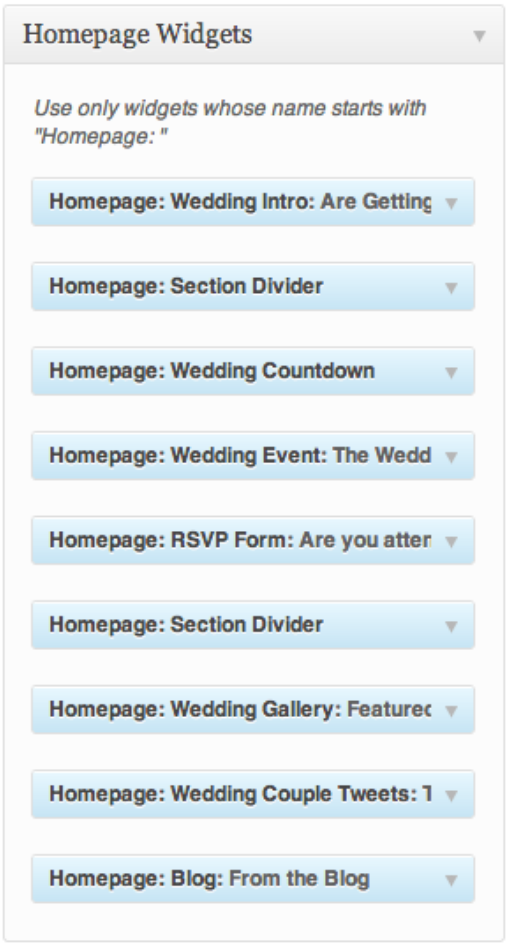
GeekLove has a very cool feature that allows visitors to post wishes, comments etc in a “Guestbook” page. In order to create the Guestbook page do the following:

- Go to Pages > Add New and create a Guestbook page, giving a title, and setting up the page properties as you did with the Blog page (Cover image, page subtitle etc).
- Finally, set the template as “**Guestbook**“ from the **Page attributes** section on the right.
- After doing so, click the **Publish** button.
- You can set up the number of Guestbook messages that appear per page under: GeekLove > Theme Options > General Settings
- For instructions on how to show the Guestbook Link at the navigation menu, please refer to the “**6.1 Custom Menus**” section of the documentation.

You can have control of the Guestbook entries by navigating at the Guestbook Messages sidebar menu at the Wordpress Admin. Also you can manually add Guestbook messages by going to Guestbook Messages > Add New.

6. Setting up the Homepage Appearance

Most parts of the Homepage is widgetized, offering a great flexibility on what sections you can show, and in which order you want them to show. To set up the appearance of the homepage, go to Appearance > Widgets.



The current widget areas structure of the theme demo looks like the image on the right.

In order to create the structure/ appearance for your own homepage you must drag and drop the related widgets from the main widget area to the (homepage widgets" panel (as in the photo).

To achieve the demo appearance you must use the following widgets:

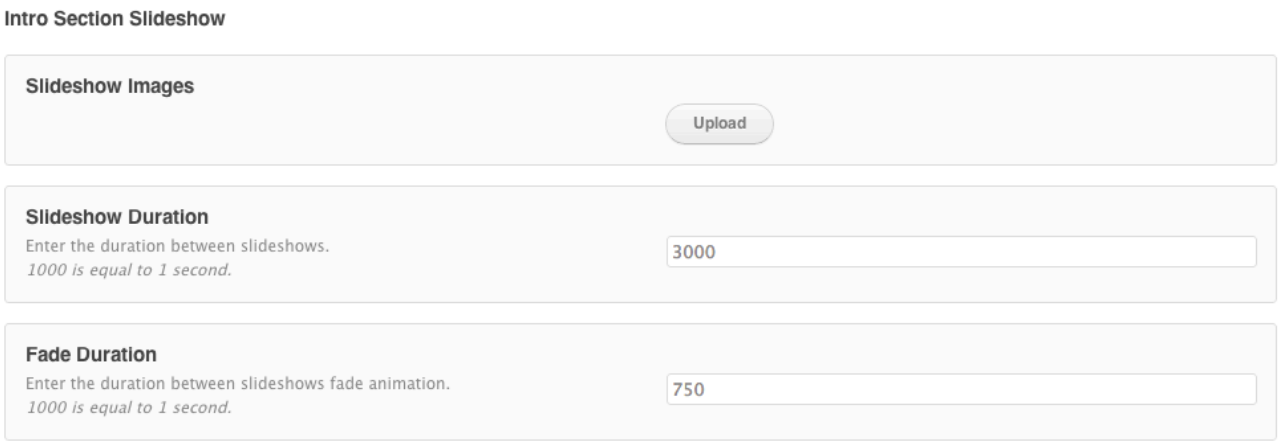
- **Homepage: Wedding intro**
  This widget contains the following elements: Slideshow and Couple info boxes. You can add/edit the couple info under GeekLove > Wedding Settings.
- **Homepage: Section Divider**
  This widgets outputs a "heart" styled section separator.
- **Homepage: Wedding countdown**
  This shows the countdown for the wedding date.
- **Homepage: Wedding Event**
  This widget shows the events section.

- **Homepage: RSVP**
  This widget is for the RSVP form
- **Homepage: Section Divider**
  This widgets outputs a “heart” styled section separator.
- **Homepage: Wedding Gallery**
  You must also include this widget if you want to have a section of a photogallery.
- **Homepage: Wedding Couple Tweets**
  This is the “back to back” tweeting section.
- **Homepage: Blog**
  A section that features your latest blog posts.

Let’s see the options for each of those sections in detail:

6.1 Slideshow

You can select a number of images to showcase at the slideshow at the top of the page. You can setup the slideshow settings at the theme Options Panel, under the **General Settings.** Here you can choose multiple images and modify the duration between slide and fade.



6.2 Info Boxes

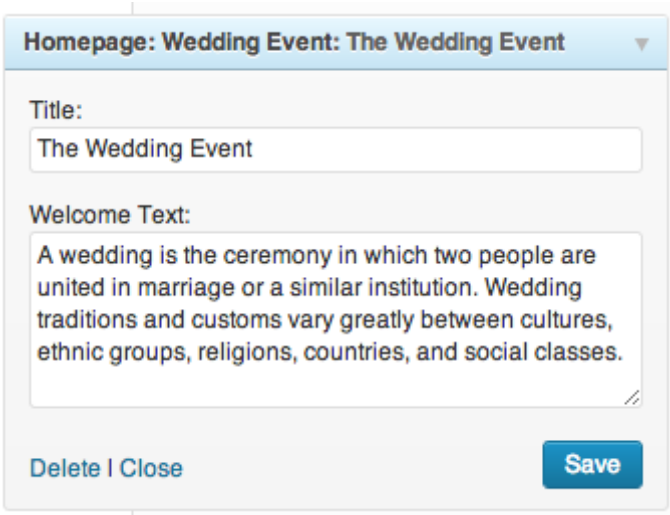
Information boxes that show the names of the couple, and a short bio. You can easily setup these details at the Theme Options panel, under the **Wedding Settings tab**.

6.3 Countdown

This section shows a countdown to the wedding date. You can easily setup the wedding date and time at the Theme Options panel, under the **Wedding Settings tab**.

6.4 Events

This section shows a brief info for the events you have created. You can set a cover image at this section for each event, at the event page (please refer to **2.1 Setting up the Events Section** of the documentation).



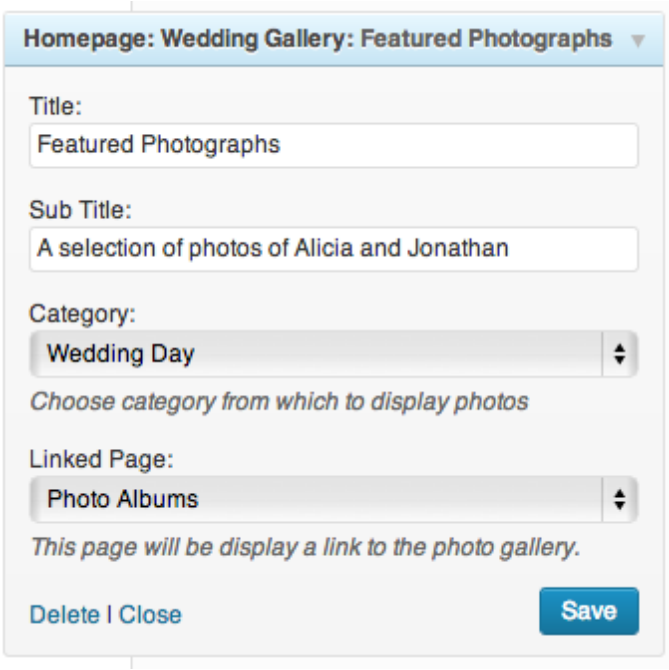
6.5 RSVP

This section allows visitors to RSVP to your wedding events. Users can submit their name, number of guests, and the events they will attend to.

You can have control of the RSVP List entries by navigating at the Attendees sidebar menu at the Wordpress Admin. Also you can manually add Attendees by going to Attendees>Add New.

6.6 Gallery

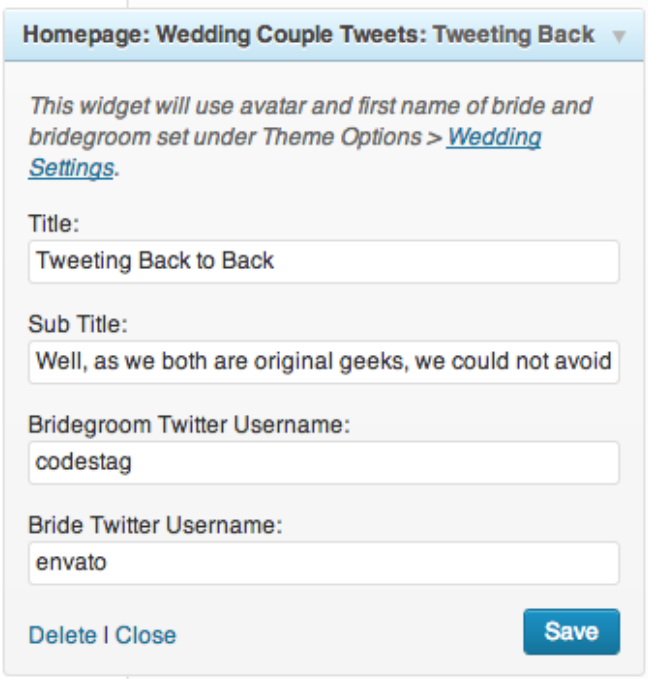
This area allows you to select images from a specific Gallery category to showcase at the homepage. For this widget the available options are:



- **Title:** Set the Title that will appear at this Section at the homepage.
- **Subtitle:** The subtitle that will appear under it.
- **Category:** Choose the category from which the photographs that will be displayed belong to.
- **Linked Page:** Under the images there will be a “Go to Galleries” button. This option specifies the page that is linked to that button.

6.7 Back to Back Tweets

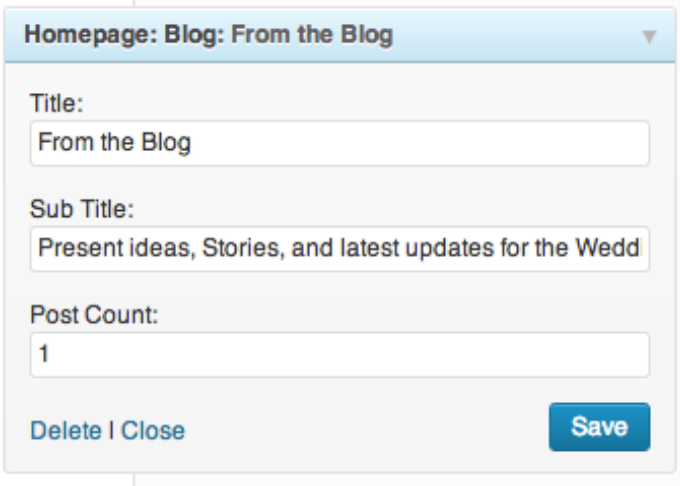
GeekLove Features a “**Back to Back Tweeting**” section, showing the twitter feeds of 2 individual accounts. For this widget the available options are:



- **Title:** Set the Title that will appear at this Section at the homepage.
- **Subtitle:** The subtitle that will appear under it.
- **Bridegroom Twitter Username:** Set the Twitter username of the Groom.
- **Bride Twitter Username:** Set the Twitter username of the Bride.

6.8 Blog

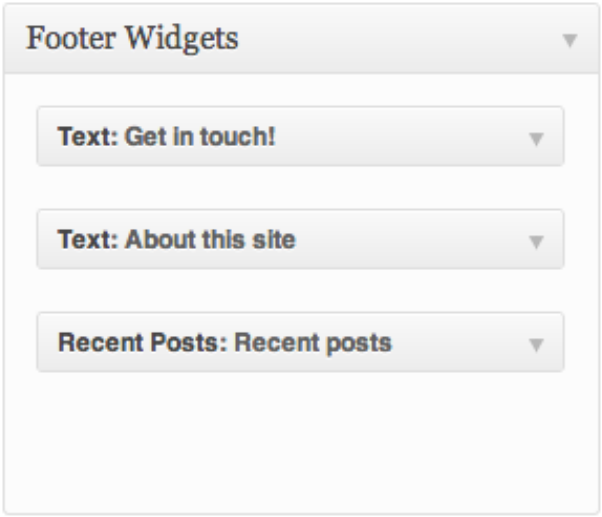
When enabled, this widget shows a section of blog posts at the homepage.For this widget the available options are:



- **Title:** Set the Title that will appear at this Section at the homepage.
- **Subtitle:** The subtitle that will appear under it.

6.9 Footer Widgets

If you want to add one of the standard widgets at the footer, you can do so by putting the widgets at the Footer Widgets section. The image below shows the widgets used for the demo.



7. Theme Features

This theme comes with a variety of features and great functionality which gives your the freedom to control your theme looks and feel. This section of the document will explain on how you can use your theme effectively.

7.1 Custom Menus

You can setup custom menus to configure your site's navigation. This theme comes with one custom menu location called 'Primary Menu' and is located at the very top of the theme.

To setup your menus, navigate to Appearance > Menus. Give your menu a name and add a variety of items including pages, categories and custom links.

7.2 Theme Options

The theme comes with a simple to use theme options panel. You can access it by navigating to GeekLove > Theme Options. The theme options are conveniently spread over a number of tabs and each tab contains the options that pertain to a particular area of the theme with inline help text.

7.3 Custom Widgets

This theme comes with many custom widgets, which are used to set the homepage section in any order you want. Each widgets contains the inline help text which describes what it does and how should you use it. Learn More about how to use theme widgets.

There are two sidebars, one for the homepage and one for the footer. Widgets are pretty easy to use, rearrange and modify.

6.4 Custom Post Types

The theme comes with four custom post types: **Events**, **Gallery**, **Guestbook Messages** and **Attendees**. You can read how to setup these post type under Getting Started section.

6.5 Custom Page Templates

The theme comes with a number of in built custom page templates. These templates can be used on individual pages to alter the display or functionality. Following are the list of page templates you can use:

- Contact Form
- Guestbook

- Home
- Photo Gallery

6.6 Serving Images for HiDPi (Retina) Displays

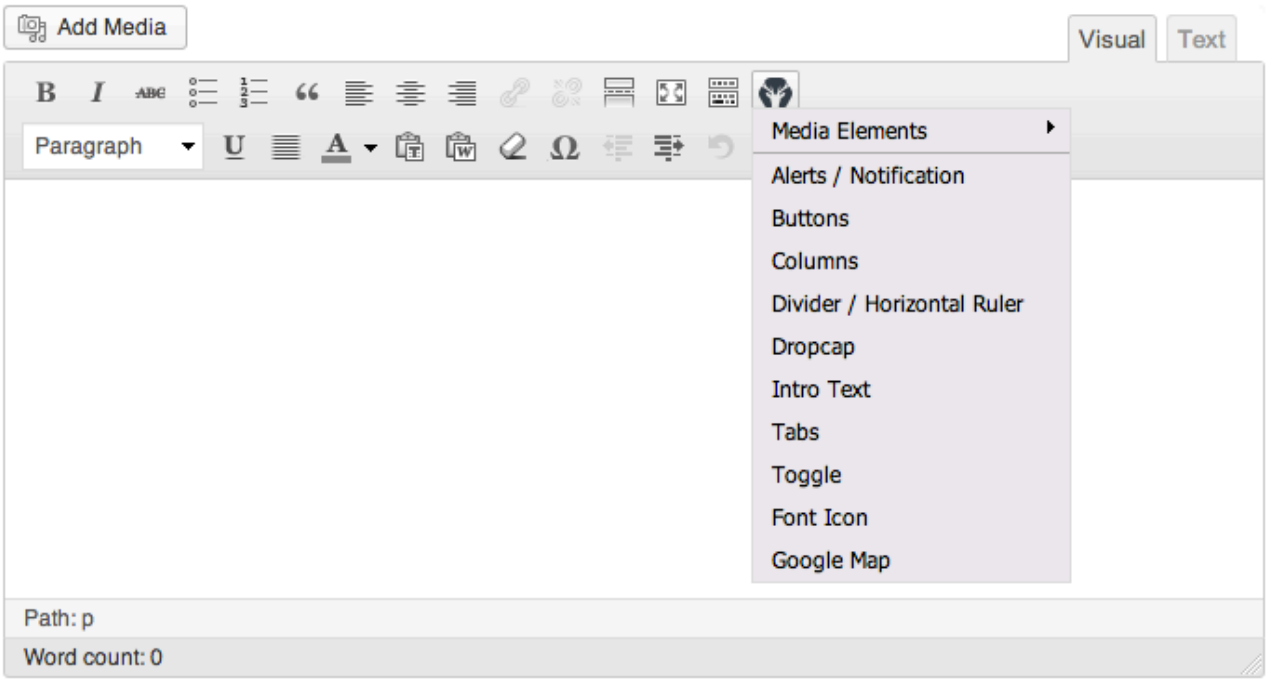
Any asset used under this theme is already optimized for viewing on high resolution displays. Also this theme comes with custom icons web font which looks good on any size. If you want to keep your site look good on retina displays, you will need to optimize images used on your site. You can do so by following below steps:

- Upload two version of any image. For example: if you are uploading a logo named ‘logo.png’ with a size 100px x 40px, then upload the same image with double size, in this case, 200px x 80px and name it as logo@2x.png.
- It is important to rename the second image ending with ‘@2x’ otherwise it won’t work.
- We are using a script on site, which replace any image on site with another image ending with @2x, if it’s not there it won’t replace and the same image will be served for both retina and non-retina screens.

7. Theme Shortcodes

7.1 Shortcode Generator

Upon installing the StagTools plugin, you will have an inbuilt shortcode generator for basic elements such as alerts, buttons, columns etc. To use it, click on the related icon at the text editor and select your desired shortcode from the dropdown menu.



8. Framework Highlights

GeekLove theme is powered a solid WordPress Stag Framework by Codestag, it's built on core functions of WordPress while keeping the quality and speed in mind. Here are a few highlights about Stag Framework:

8.1 Styled Widgets

All widgets that come under your theme are styled for easier identification, so you don't have to search around which widgets comes with theme.

8.2 Advanced Settings

You can always import and export your theme settings to avoid any loss of your theme settings while updating the theme or via any other cause. Under theme options, you'll see Advanced settings in left sidebar. This section will details what these advanced settings does for you.

- **Import Settings:** Under this field you can put your exported code and import old settings for your theme. Just copy and paste the import code and hit Import Settings.
- **Export Settings:** This code contains your theme settings in encoded format so that you can later put this code into Import Settings field and restore your saved settings.
- **Debug Information**: This section contains some debug info about your theme and server.

You can also download Export code as text file and save it for later use. Apart from that debug information is also downloadable which may be useful while contacting to Codestag Support.

8.3 SEO Settings

Stag Framework comes with SEO settings for posts and pages that you can enable or disable under GeekLove > General Settings. You can set the custom SEO title, description and keywords for your theme. If you are using any popular

third party plugin for SEO e.g. Headspace 2, All-in-one SEO pack or WordPress SEO by Yoast; SEO settings will be disabled automatically.

8.4 Miscellaneous

Apart from mentioned above Stag Framework also have some cool features e.g. live unsaved changes alert, built in shortcodes generator, custom editor styles etc.

Btw, we keep updating our framework to make the most of your WordPress site.

9. About PSD Files

In the downloaded folder, you will also find a .psd folder that contains the photoshop files of GeekLove, in case you want to further customize it. The files are well grouped and properly layered to make the slicing process easy. The designs are highly customizable, because of the use of layer styles and shape layers. So if you want to change colors and details, you can tweak the layer style of any specific layer and you can easily customize it's appearance.

10. Resources

10.1 Fonts

The fonts used in the design are 2 Google Web Fonts. They are both free and available for download:

Nixie One: http://www.google.com/webfonts/specimen/Nixie+One
Open Sans: http://www.google.com/webfonts/specimen/Open+Sans

Custom Font: The Theme uses a custom generated web font for icons to make it looks beautiful on high resolution displays.

10.2 Icons

Throughout the design we have used some of the awesome freeware icons of Brankic1979. Go check them out! http://brankic1979.com/icons/

10.3 Images

Images used in the preview demo are from Photodune.net and Shutterstock.com, and are not included with the download files.

Once again,
thanks for purchasing one of our themes!

If you need any help, or have any suggestions, please feel free to email us via our user page contact form here, or jump into the Support Desk.

If you loved the theme, we would really appreciate it if you could rate it.

Cheers!