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Thank you for purchasing Portal.

This document is for the Sketch version of Portal, if you are using the Angular, HTML or React versions please go to the Portal Angular, Portal HTML or the Portal React Documentation.

You will find the documentation for each Portal version included in the main ThemeForest download as PDFs or you can find it online here.

Quick Start

To get yourself up and running you should first make sure you have the correct prerequisites installed on your system.

Prerequisites

This section of the docs will detail the plug-ins you will need to install in order to use Portal Sketch Properly.

Auto-Layout by AnimaApp

Auto-Layout is a plugin for Sketch that enables designers to design fully responsive artboards.

You can download the latest version from here

Chart by Pavel Kuligin

Chart is a Sketch plugin and uses real or random data to create the most popular charts. Chart supports copy-paste from text editors like: Notes, Word, Google Docs, etc, and copy-paste tabulated data from Google Sheets

It is not required in order to use Portal Sketch but if you plan to create charts on your dashboards we highly recommend it.
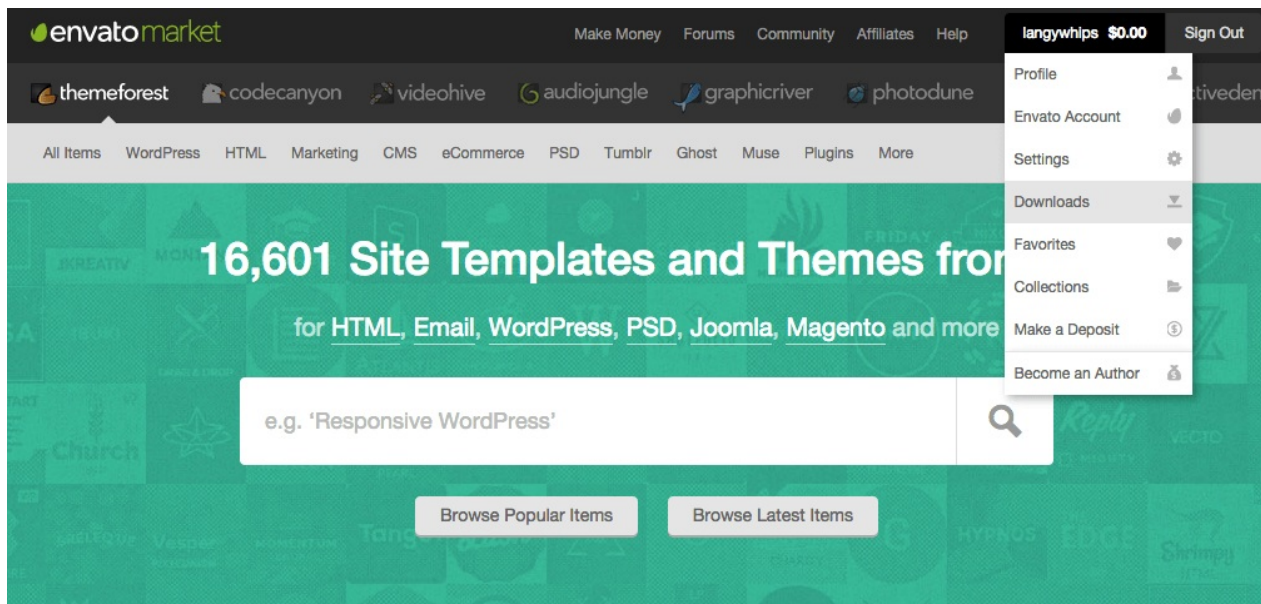
You can download the latest version from here.

Barlow font from Google

You can use any font you wish in Portal but to get the appearance you see in the demo files we use Barlow from Google fonts.
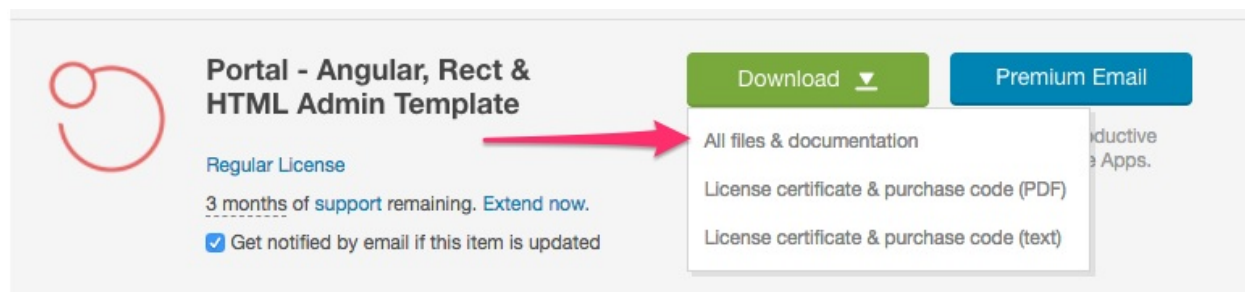
Downloading

Now you have all the prerequisites installed on your system the next step is to grab the latest copy of portal from ThemeForest.

- First of all you will need to log in to your ThemeForest account

- Click your account menu

- Click the Downloads link in the dropdown menu

- Locate the Portal template on your downloads page
- Click the **download button** and then select **All files & documentation**

Congratulations. You now have a shiny new copy of Portal!

Unzipping the download

You should now have a file that looks something like this.

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themeforest-11711437-portal-material-design-admin-template.zip
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In order to get at the goodness inside you will need to unzip this file.

Zip Contents

Once you have unzipped the Portal zip file you will find the following folders have been created.

Folder / File	Contents
angular/	Contains the Angular version of Portal
react/	Contains the React version of Portal
html/	Contains the Html version of Portal
sketch/	Contains the Sketch version of Portal

We will be only interested in the angular folder in this documentation

Angular Code

Inside the angular folder of the main zip download you will find the following files.

Folder / File	Contents
portal-angular-demo.zip	Full Portal Angular demo source code with all examples
documentation.pdf	Portal Angular documentation (you are reading this now)

Unzip demo zip file and move on to the next source code section where we will talk you through the app files and folders.

Symbols

Symbols is a powerful feature in Sketch that allows you to reuse elements easily across your document's Artboards and Pages, or even multiple documents.

A Symbol is made up of two parts: a "master", which takes the appearance of an Artboard—and an "instance", which is a flattened representation of the master.

As you create a Symbol, you can automatically send the Symbol Artboard, or master to a separate page. When you make a change to a Symbol's master, the changes are applied to all Artboards and Pages in your document. In addition, each instance of a Symbol can be customized with overrides.
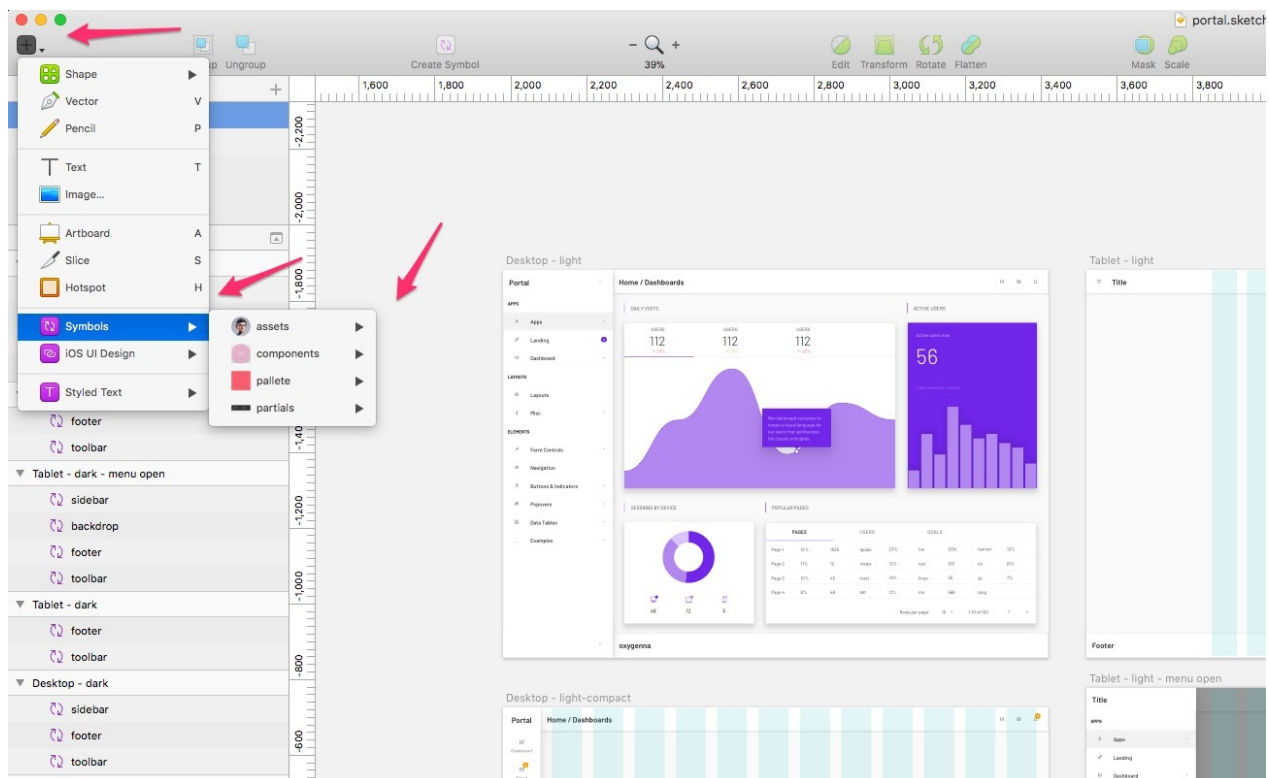
A Symbol instance is a single layer that mirrors the content from its master. In the Layer List it is displayed with a purple icon with syncing arrows . A common example of a Symbol is an element that is re-used throughout your design such as buttons, or a cell in a table view.

In Portal **all elements resides in the Symbol library** and are organized in the following categories:
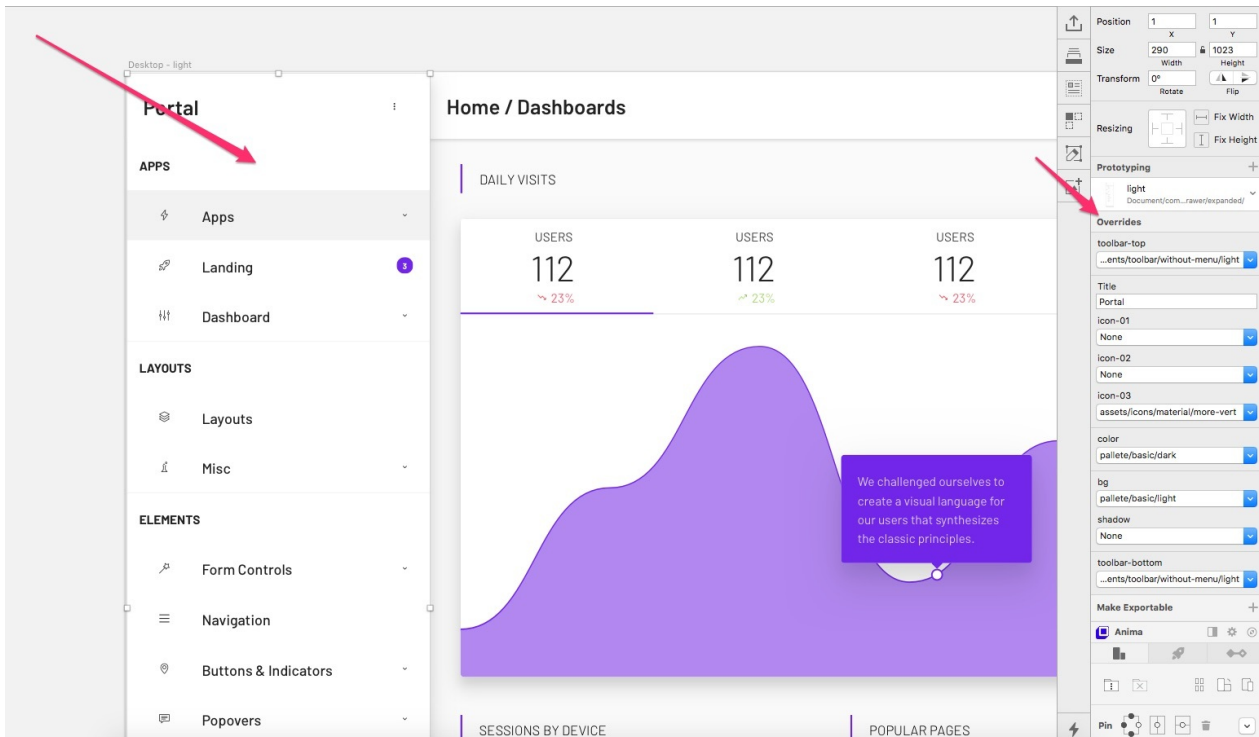
- **Assets** Contains avatars, icons and images
- **Components** Contains all the available material design components (buttons, cards, drawers, list groups, list items, tabs and tool bars)
- **Palette** Contains the colors that are being used in Portal. Changing these colors will affect the colors on all symbols
- **Partials** Contains all partials that are being used in more complicated symbols in the **components** category

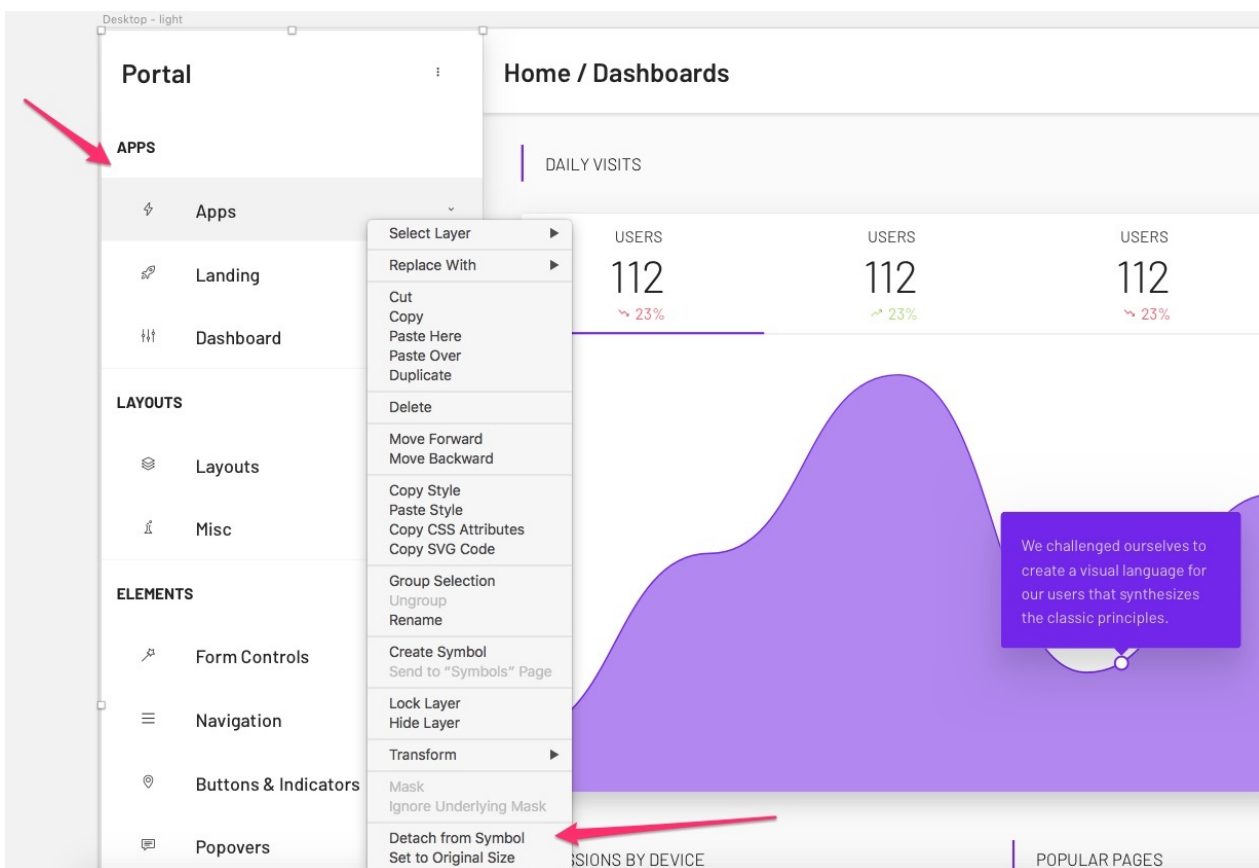# Using Symbols in Portal

To use any of the elements in Portal go to "Insert>Symbols" and use any of the symbols on the above categories.

Depending on the symbol you added in order to customize it use any of the **symbol** overrides in the sidebar:

If you find it difficult or complicated working with symbols you can detach the instance you just inserted and use it as normal layers in Sketch. To do so left click on the inserted symbol and select **detach from symbol**
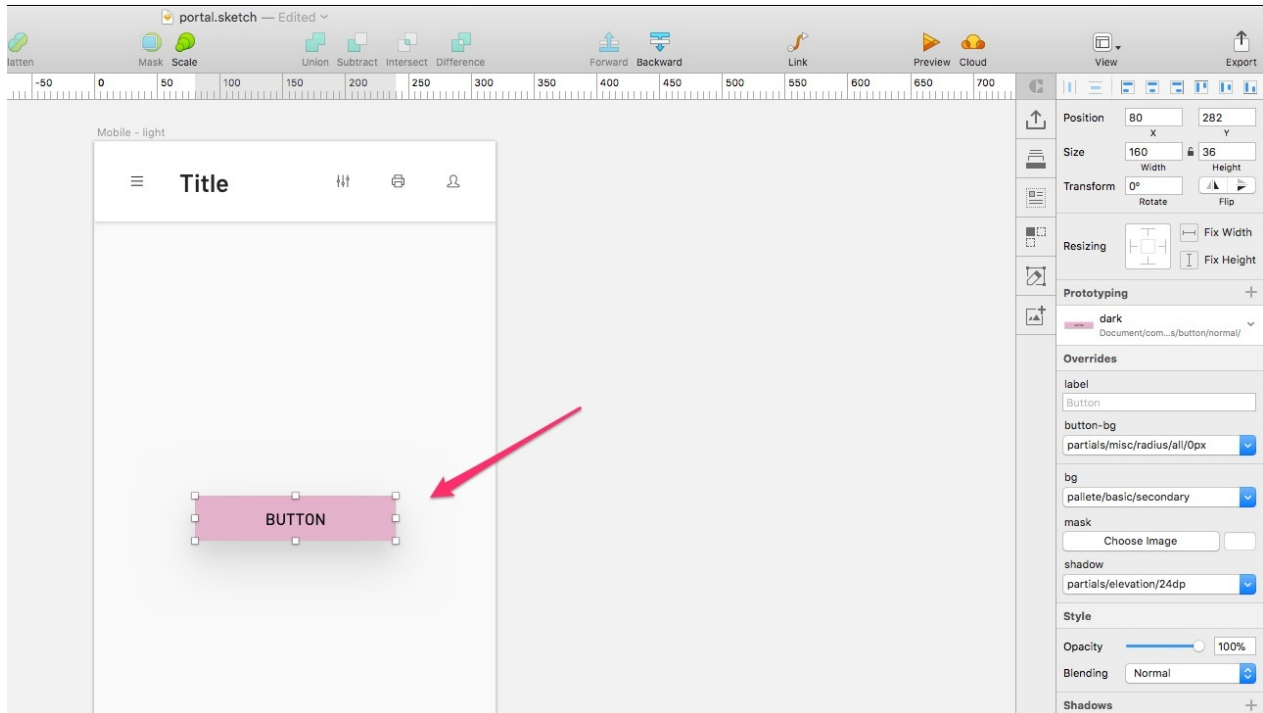
Colors

To change the basic colors in Portal is as easy as it could be since all colors are part of the symbol library.
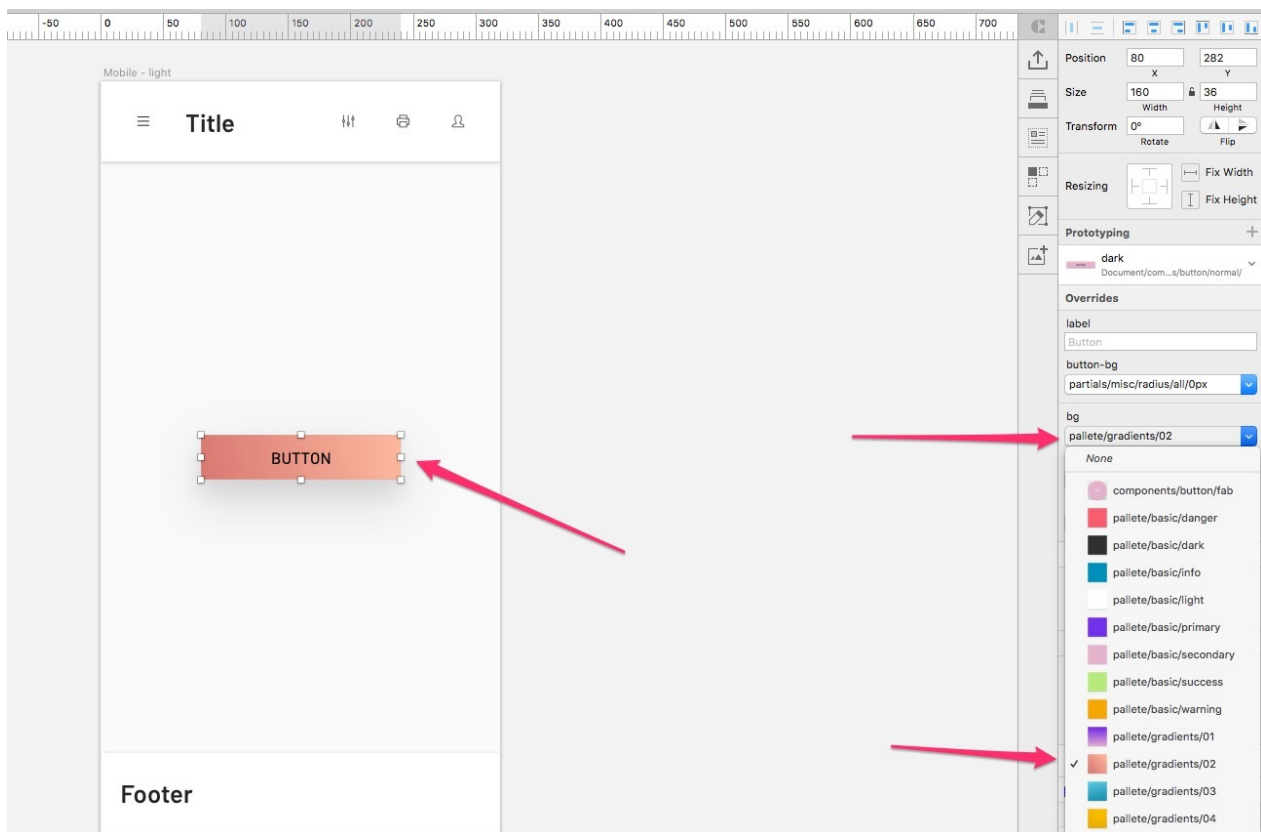
Changing a symbol to include one of the other Portal Colors

To make a symbol use one of the other predefined colors in Sketch you can use the symbols overrides as described in the previous section.
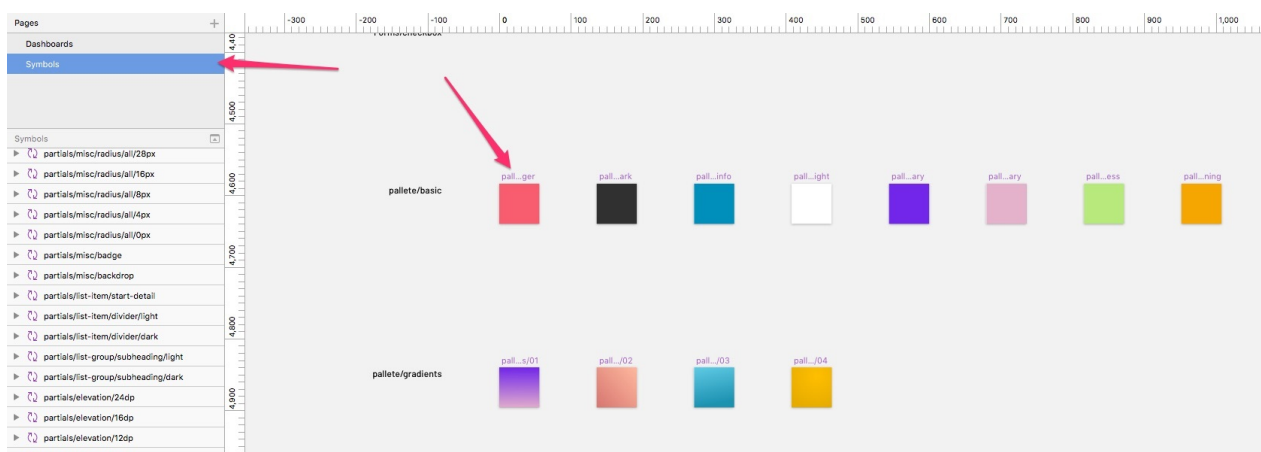
To change for example the color of the button click on the button:
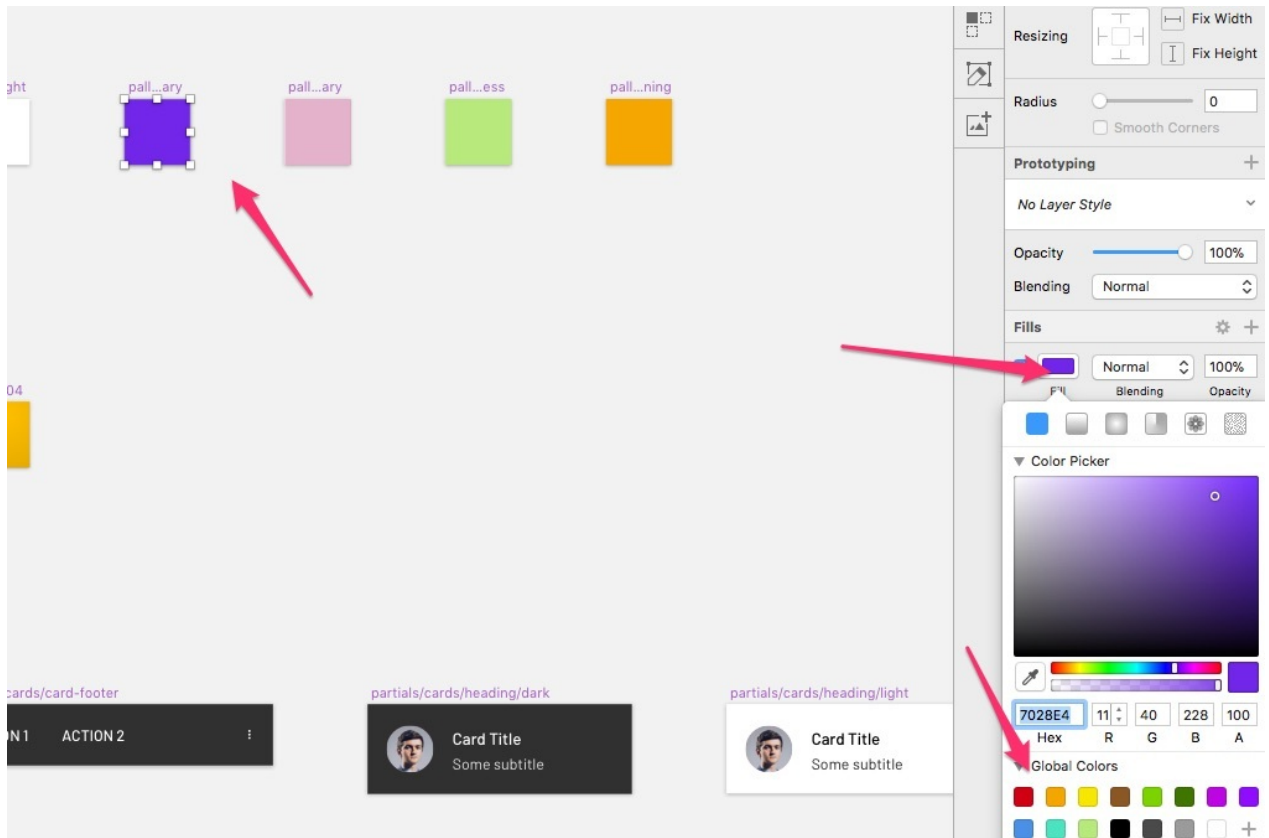

and then select another color from the button overrides in the sidebar:

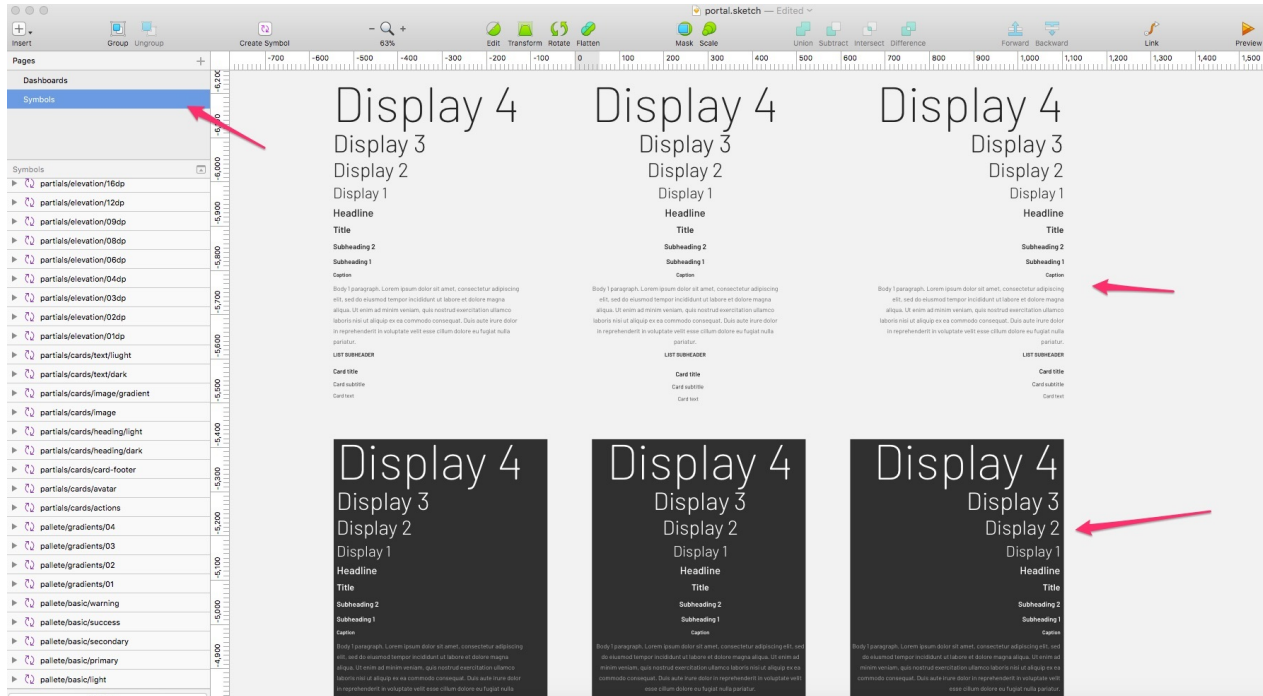If you want to change the colors being used, open the symbols library:

and change any of the colors you need:

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                    Fix Height

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            Smooth Corners

Prototyping   +

No Layer Style   ∨

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Blending   Normal   ↕

Fills   ⚙ +

        Normal   ↕   100%
        Blending   Opacity

▽ Color Picker

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Hex   R   G   B   A

▽ Global Colors

cards/card-footer   partials/cards/heading/dark   partials/cards/heading/light

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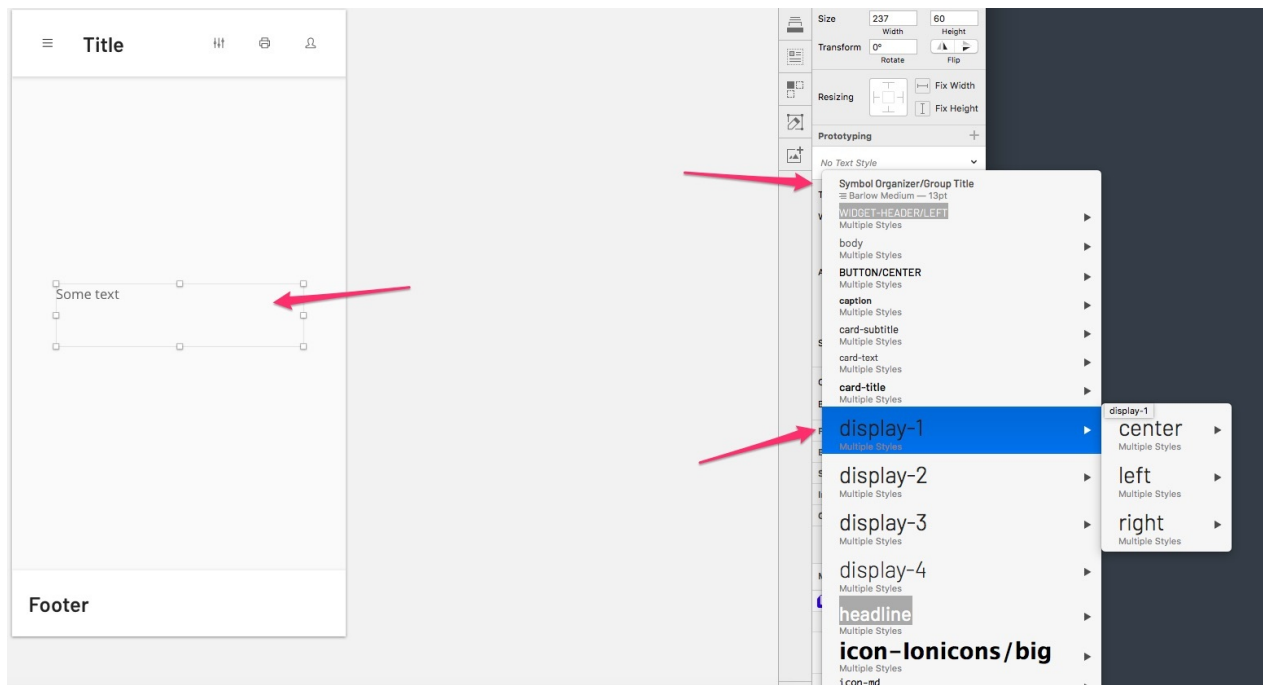
Text

Portal comes with a ready made set of text styles that follows the specs of Material Design Specs.

All text styles are well organized and are available in both light and dark style and you can preview them in the symbols library:

To use any of the text styles just use the type tool and after typing your text select any of the styles from the drop down menu in the sidebar:

You can update, change or your own styles too.