Gadget Wordpress Theme

Installing Gadget

METHOD 1: The easiest way to install Gadget is to use the built in theme uploader in WordPress, by following these instructions:

1. Log into your WordPress Admin.
2. Go to Appearance > Themes > Install Themes > Upload
3. Browse for and upload the file: Gadget.zip
4. Click "Activate".

METHOD 2: If you encounter any problems with the process above, try installing it via FTP:

1. Unzip the Gadget.zip file you downloaded from ThemeJam.com.
2. Using FTP, upload the folder named "Gadget" inside this folder: /wp-content/themes/
3. In your WordPress admin, go to Appearance > Themes. Under "Gadget", click "Activate".

Installing included Plugins

We have prepared the Gadget theme to support two popular WordPress plugins. The theme has been coded and styled for these specific plugins. Use the following links to download the latest versions of the plugins:

wp-pagenavi

This plugin provides pagination functionality. Once installed, your blog will display page numbers at the

bottom of the home page, category pages, and archive pages. Styling is built into the theme.

http://wordpress.org/extend/plugins/wp-pagenavi/

twitter-for-wordpress

This plugin provides functionality for the Latest Tweets widget. Once installed, you will have an additional widget, titled "Twitter #1". This can be placed in your sidebar to display your latest tweets. Styling is built into the theme.

http://wordpress.org/extend/plugins/twitter-for-wordpress/

Populating the Featured Posts Slider

Set the featured category and posts count

In the Display Options (Appearance > Gadget options > Display Options), set a category as the featured category.

Next, enter the number of posts to cycle in the slider. It will display the most recent posts.

For example, if you selected "Featured" as the category, and entered "5" for the posts count, the slider will display the most recent 5 posts categorized under "Featured".

Set the Featured Posts Image

The image for featured posts (to display in the slider) is set via the Featured Image for that post.

On the Edit Post page, in the right side, there is a box labeled "Featured Image". Click "Set featured image" to upload and set the image.

Changing the default image (when no image is set)

If the post contains no images, and the "post-image" custom field is not set, then it displays the default image. To change this default image, create your own and save it with this name and location: *wp-content/themes/Gadget/images/no-image.jpg*

The default image must be sized to these dimensions: width: 315px, height: 190px.

Custom Menus in WordPress 3.0+

If you're running WordPress 3.0 or above, WordPress menu management can be used to control the top navigation and other menus placed as widgets.

Menu Management is automatically enabled. Go to Appearance > Menus to create and save your custom menu(s).

If you have not created any custom menus, the top navigation will revert to displaying all of your pages with proper hierarchy. The same applies if you are running WordPress 2.9.

Titles and Excerpts

The home page displays the post excerpt (a shortened portion of the full the article). If no excerpt is set, the first 40 words of the article will display. Set your own excerpt text using the excerpt box in Wordpress posts.

If a featured post title is very long, it may push the excerpt content to overlap the "Read More" button. If this happens, set a custom excerpt which is short enough to fit in the space between the long title and "Read More" button.

Change the site Logo

1. Go to Appearance > Gadget Options > General Options > Upload an Image.
2. Browse for and upload your logo image.
3. When the upload completes, find the field for "Link URL". Copy (command + C), the entire File URL. Close out of the image upload box.
4. Paste (command + V) the File URL in the box provided.
5. Save Changes.