WordPress Politico Theme v1.1

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Thank you for purchasing my theme! If you have any questions that are beyond the scope of this help file, please visit the forums at www.themolitor.com/forums or email me at http://themeforest.net/user/themolitor.

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i) Updates

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- Fixed 2nd level menu bug in IE.
- Added OptionTree data to theme files so OptionTree will auto-generate all the fields needed. OptionTree is now accessible from the "appearance" menu, and is labeled "theme options".

A) Resources

- Video walk-throughs: http://tinyurl.com/23xscpn
- Contact Info: http://themeforest.net/user/themolitor (use form on profile page)
- Support Forums: <u>www.themolitor.com/forums</u>
- Theme demo: http://wppolitico.themolitor.com
- Font used in logo is "Georgia" and should already be installed!
- WP-PageNavi plugin (pagination plugin): http://tinyurl.com/59kwmq
- **REQUIED:** Option Tree plugin (theme settings plugin): http://tinyurl.com/24mn3dz

B) Installation and setup

- **STEP 1** Download and unzip the folder from Theme Forest.
- **STEP 2** Upload the "wppolitico" folder (with the files left inside) to the themes directory of your blog, which is located within the wp-content directory.
- **STEP 3** Activate the theme from your admin panel by navigating to "appearance" > "themes" and selecting the "WordPress Politico" theme.
- **STEP 4** Install and activate the "OptionTree" plugin available here: http://tinyurl.com/24mn3dz

C) General Instructions

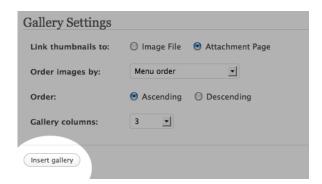
Post Thumbnails

To add post thumbnails and slider images, use the "Featured Image" section of the post edit page (see screenshot below). Images for blog posts are 225x225. Images for the dual slider are 612x375. Images for the nivo slider are 918x375.



Gallery Images

To create a gallery layout, simply create a page and upload images. Once you've uploaded images, use the "insert gallery" option that is built into WordPress (see image below).



Custom Slider Links

To customize the link of the featured posts on the home page, add the URL to the "Slider Custom Link" custom field below the post (see image below).



Video in slider

To add videos to the dual slider, use the "Slider Video Embed Code" custom field. Make sure your videos are 612x375.



Title Sub-Text

To customize the sub-text of the page/post title, use the "Title Sub-Text" custom post field (see screenshot below).

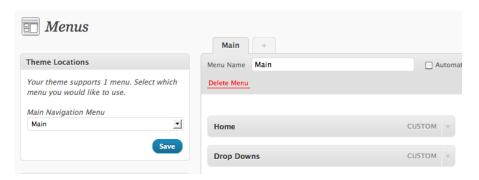


Tool Tips

To apply tool tips to links, make sure you give them a class name of "tooltip" and an appropriate title attribute. The styling of the tooltip is achieved in the CSS file under the "TOOL TIP STYLE" section, with the class name of ".itooltip".

Navigation Menu

To create a menu, navigate to "Appearance" > "Menus" and create a new menu named "Main". Assign this menu to the "Main Navigation Menu" in the drop down (see image below). You can also assign a footer menu by clicking the "+" button and naming a new menu "Footer" and assigning it on the left.



Sidebar Widgets

The sidebar widgets and 4 buckets in the footer are controlled from the widgets page. (see screenshot below)



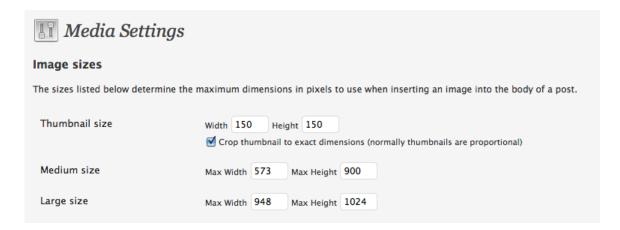
Full Page Layout

To create a full-page layout, select "Full Page (no sidebar)" in the template drop down inside page attributes (see screenshot below)



Media Settings

It's a good idea to set the size of images to use within your post/page content. Navigate to "Settings" > "Media" and make your images the same sizes as indicated in the below screenshot...



Pagination

OPTIONAL: To achieve the same pagination as the demo, you'll want to install and activate the "WP-PageNavi" plugin. No setup required, just activate the plugin. You can download it here: http://tinyurl.com/59kwmq

D) HTML Structure

This theme is a fixed layout with one or two columns. All of the information within the main content area is nested within a div with an ID of "content". The post content is nested inside the div with class name "post". The sidebar/widget content is within a div with an id of "sidebar". The menu content is within a div with an id of "menu". If you would like to edit the color, font, or style of any elements in one of these columns, you would do the following:

```
.post a {
    color: #someColor;
}
```

If you find that your new style is not overriding, it is most likely because of a specificity problem. Scroll down in your CSS file and make sure that there isn't a similar style that has more weight.

```
#content .post a {
      color: #someColor;
}
```

So, to ensure that your new styles are applied, make sure that they carry enough "weight" and that there isn't a style lower in the CSS file that is being applied after yours.

E) CSS

There are two CSS files. "Style.css" is the main WordPress style. The other CSS file, "ie_style.css", is for styling Internet Explorer only. The main CSS file is separated into sections using:

```
/* ----HEADER STUFF---- */
some code
/* ----FOOTER STUFF---- */
some code
```

If you would like to edit a specific section of the site, simply find the appropriate label in the CSS file, and then scroll down until you find the appropriate style that needs to be edited.

F) Javascript

This theme imports three Javascript files.

- 1. jQuery/scripts
 - jQuery is a Javascript library that greatly reduces the amount of code that you must write.
- 2. Countdown.js
 - This file is what operates the countdown feature.
- 3. IE7
 - IE7 is a JavaScript library to make Microsoft Internet Explorer behave like a standards-compliant browser. It fixes many HTML and CSS issues and makes transparent PNG work correctly under IE5 and IE6. For more info, visit http://code.google.com/p/ie7-js/

G) PSD Files

The 2 main PSD files, "politico.psd" and "politico-page.psd" utilizes folders for organizing content. If you're trying to edit a specific section, just locate the proper folder to find the layer.

Thanks again for purchasing!