Alana Documentation

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Alana Getting started

Summary: Few words on start

The alana theme is excellent for news, magazine and publishing sites. Lot’s of shortcodes. Be sure that with our new theme you can easily customize whatever you want on page. Please also note that all those options are amazingly easy to use.

Alana Installation

Installation

You can either choose to upload the theme to your server via ftp (only upload the unzipped folder “alana” into the folder **wp-content/themes/**) or via WordPress upload function. To use the upload function of the WordPress admin panel make sure to ONLY upload the “alana.zip” file and not the whole archive file that you received.

Solving broken theme issues

If you are new to WordPress and have problems installing it you might want to check out this link: Solving broken theme issues (http://support.envato.com/index.php?/Knowledgebase/Article/View/269/0/my-wordpress-theme-isnt-working-what-should-i-do)

After that is done activate the theme as you would activate any other theme at **Appearance->Themes**.

1-Click Demo Install

If you are new to WordPress and have problems with setting up the theme you might want to import the demo data at **Appearance -> Customize -> Demo Importer -> Click to the demo that you want to start importing**.

Alana Requirements

Software version

- WordPress 4.4 or higher

Plugins

Required plugins

- OptionTree (https://wordpress.org/plugins/option-tree)
- Visual Composer (https://codecanyon.net/item/visual-composer-page-builder-for-wordpress/242431)

Recommended plugins

- Instagram Feed WD (https://wordpress.org/plugins/wd-instagram-feed/)
- WP-Polls (https://wordpress.org/plugins/search/WP-Polls/)\
- Jetpack by WordPress.com (https://wordpress.org/plugins/jetpack)
- Contact Form 7 (https://wordpress.org/plugins/contact-form-7)
- Mailchimp for WordPress (https://wordpress.org/plugins/mailchimp-for-wp)

Alana Changelog

1.0.1 - 27/08/2017

- Fixed: vc_generate_dependencies_attributes() is deprecated in visual composer 5.2

1.0 - 24/06/2017

- Initial release

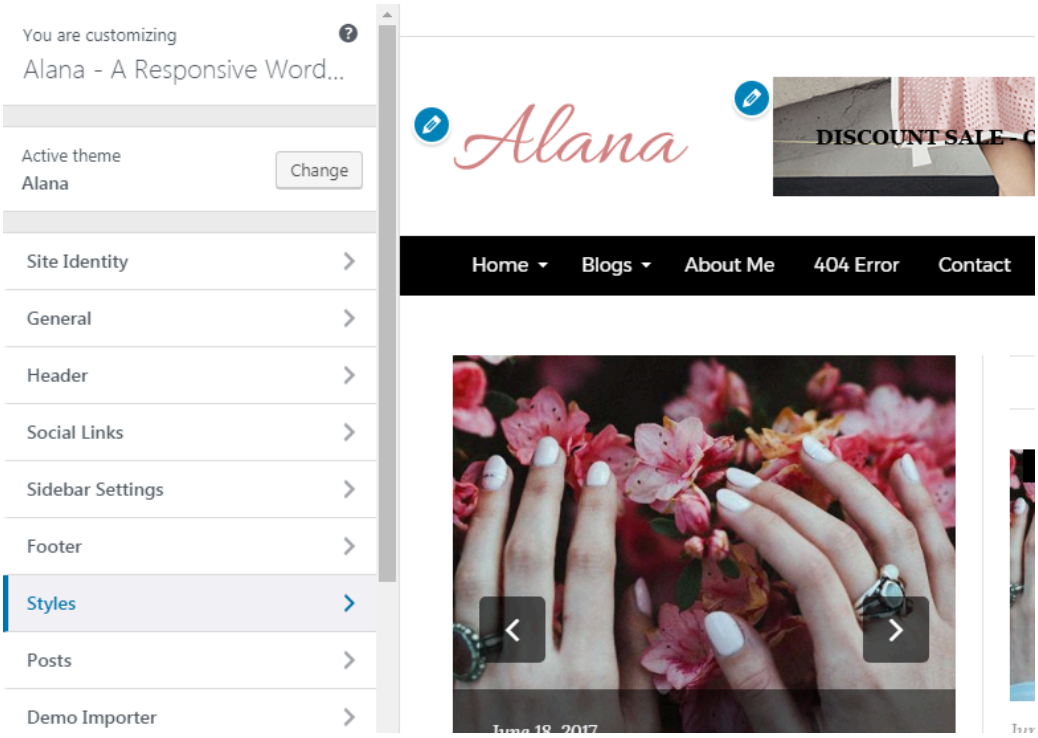
Alana Theme Options

Summary: Theme Options – The Customizer

Overview

The Customizer is a framework for live-previewing any change to WordPress. It provides a simple and consistent interface for users to customize various aspects of their theme and their site, from colors and layouts to widgets, menus, and more. Themes and plugins alike can add custom options to the Customizer. The Customizer is the canonical way to add options to your theme.

- Appearance -> Customize
    - Site Identity
    - General
    - Header
    - Social Links
    - Sidebar Settings
    - Footer
    - Styles
    - Colors
    - Fonts
    - Background Image
    - Breadcrumb
    - Shop
    - Posts
    - Demo Importer
    - ...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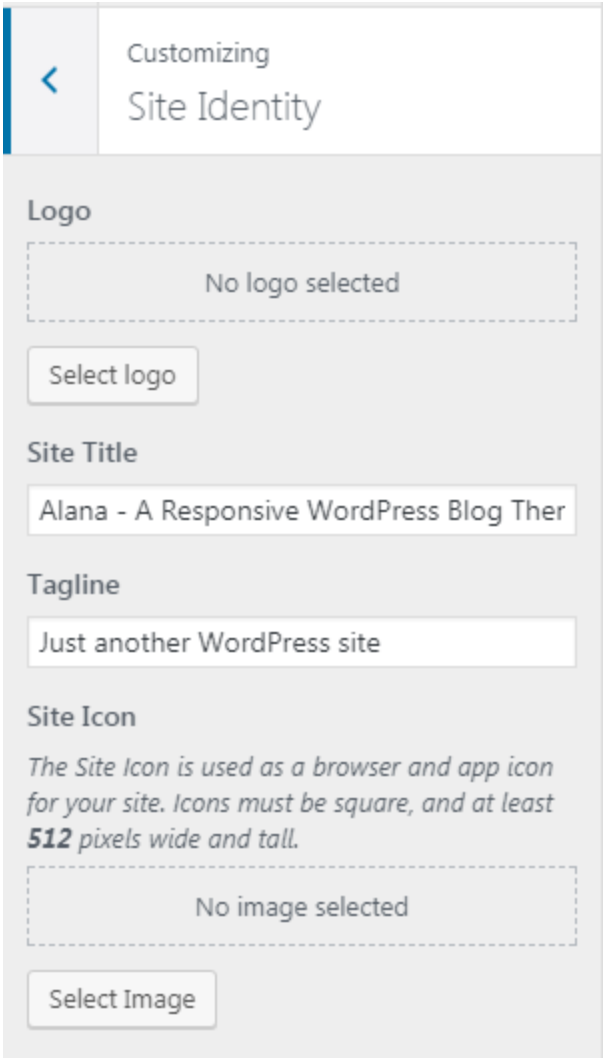

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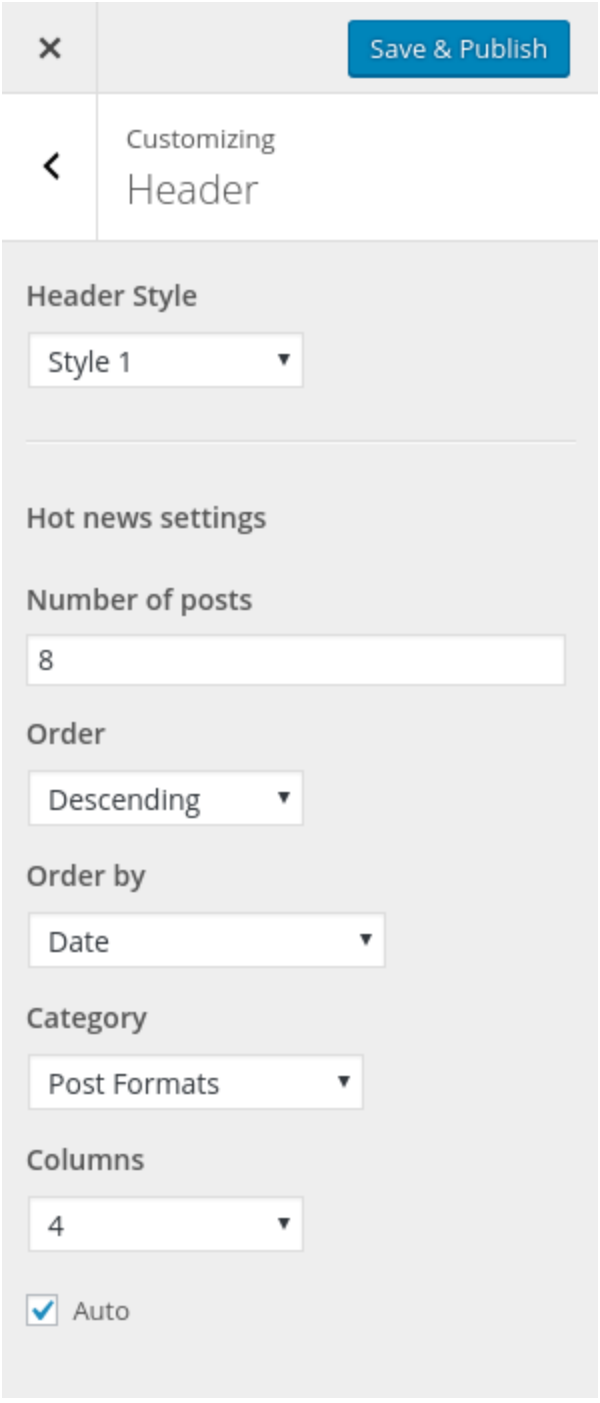
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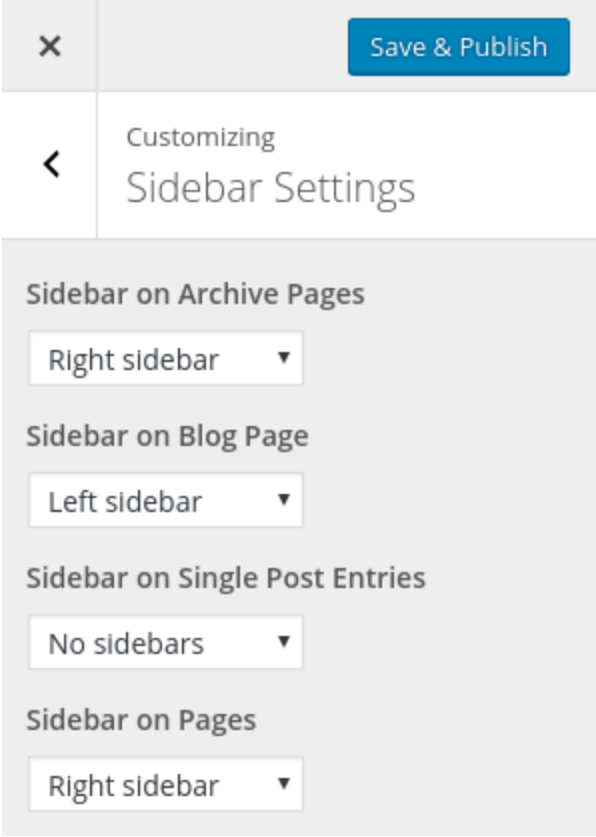

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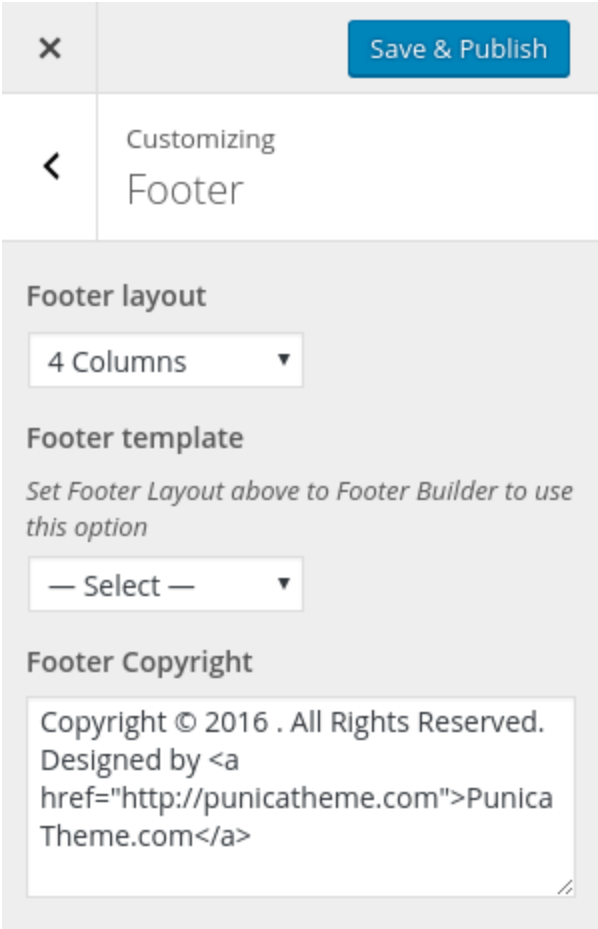
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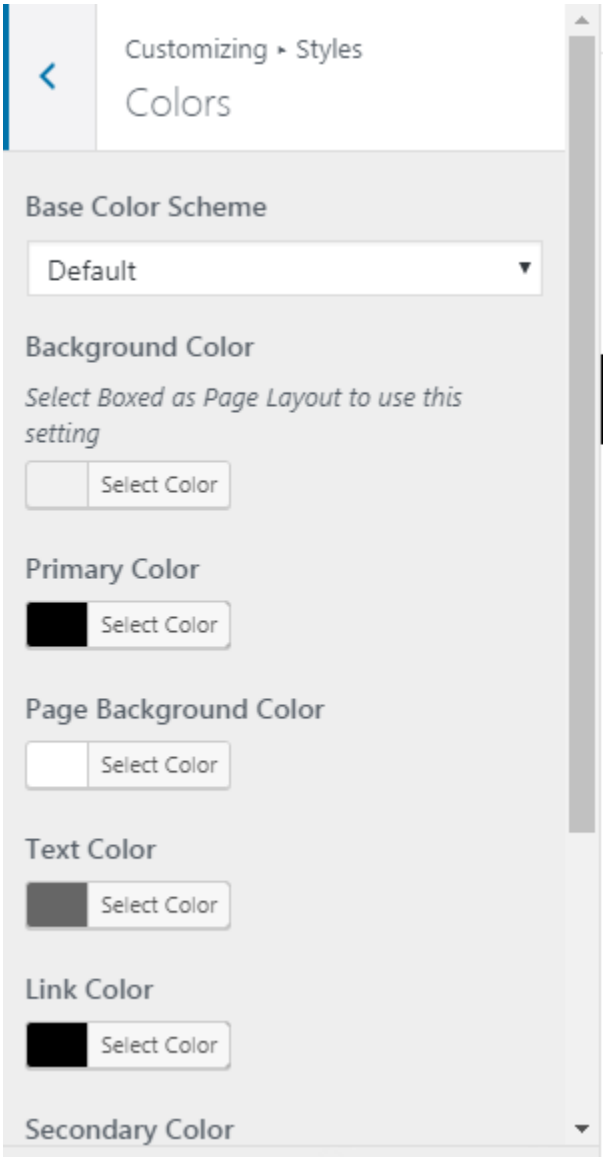

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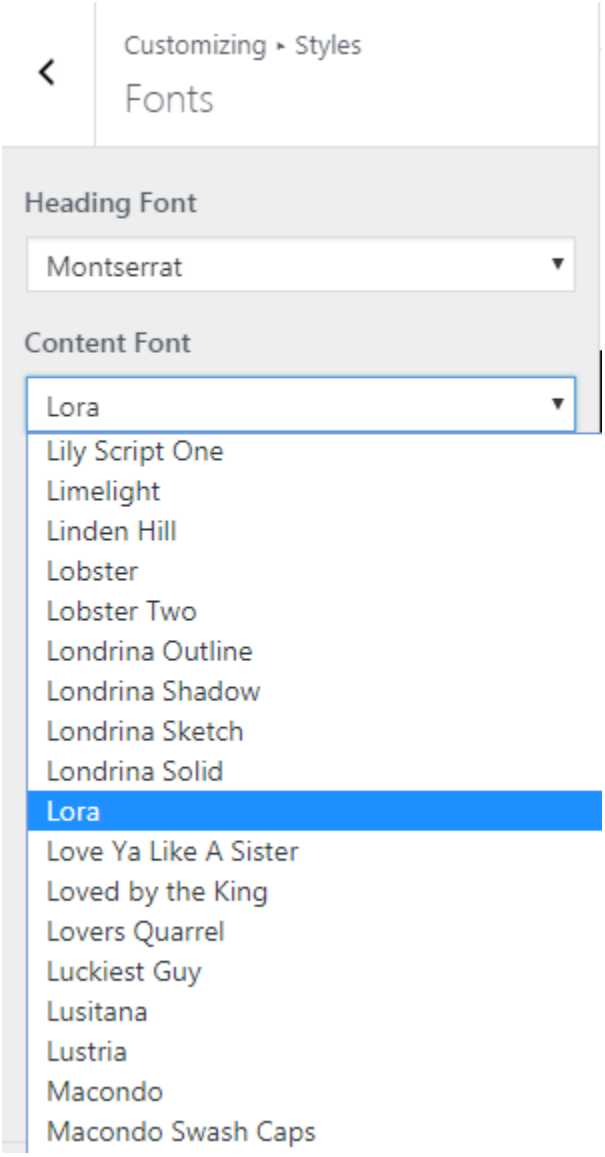
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Alana Visual Composer

Summary: Visual Composer plugin with frontend and backend editor included

Overview

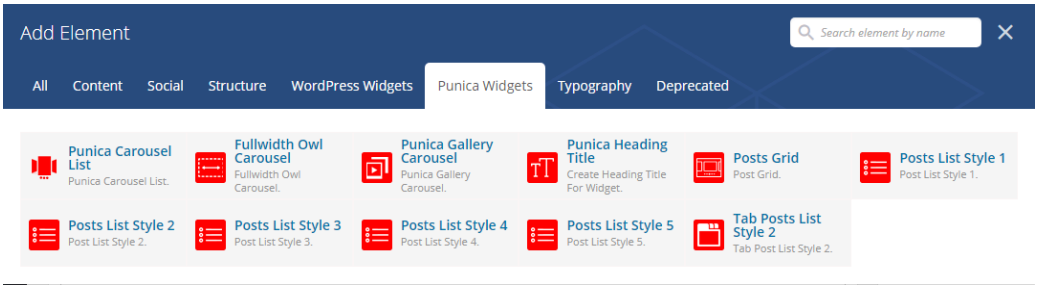
In Alana, we added Visual Composer support. To activate the VC plugin following theme installation, go to Appearance > Install Plugins section, install it, and activate it. The plugin will then be ready to use.

Plugin installation following theme activation is available in the same section where the default WordPress editor is visible. In the create/edit page above the WordPress editor you will see two large, blue buttons called Backend Editor and Frontend Editor. These are exactly what you need to build content within Visual Composer.

To explore the capabilities of Visual Composer, we recommend you study the documentation and watch the video below:

Elements

Custom Visual Composer elements by Alana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Alana Page Options

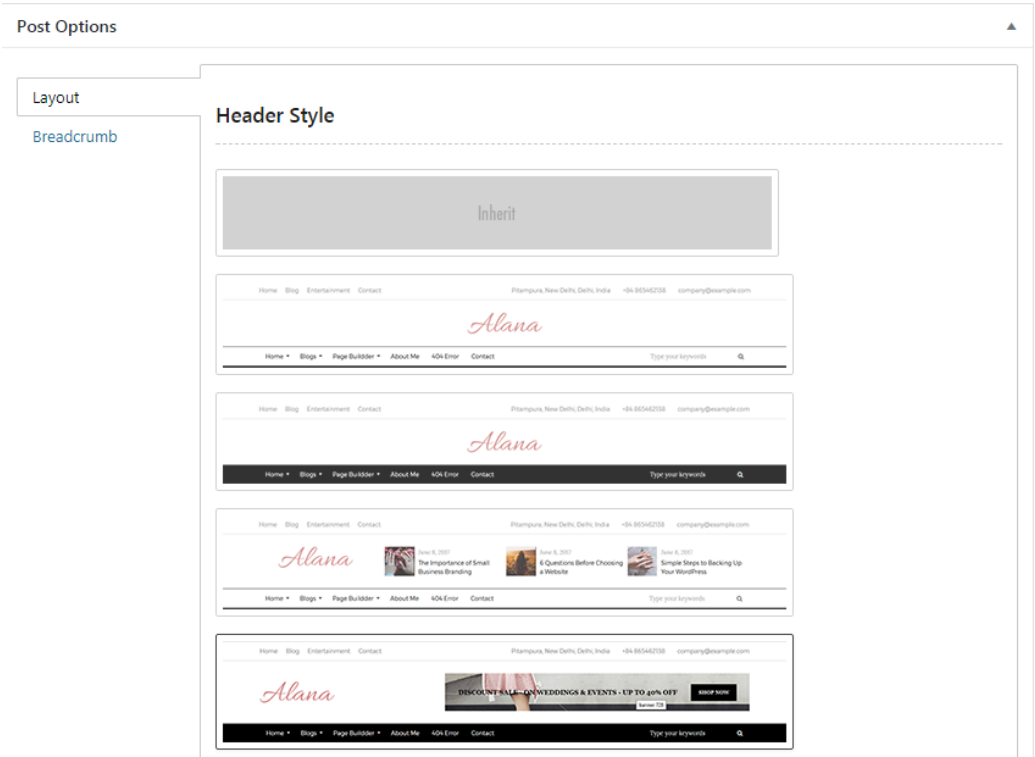
> **Summary:** Here you can overwrite the default settings of your theme options.

Below every post/page/custom post type (product, ...) editor is custom options section.

You can choose a layout (left/right/no sidebar/full width) and if you choose to display a sidebar you can also set to display a [custom sidebar][alana_sidebar_generator]

You can also choose:

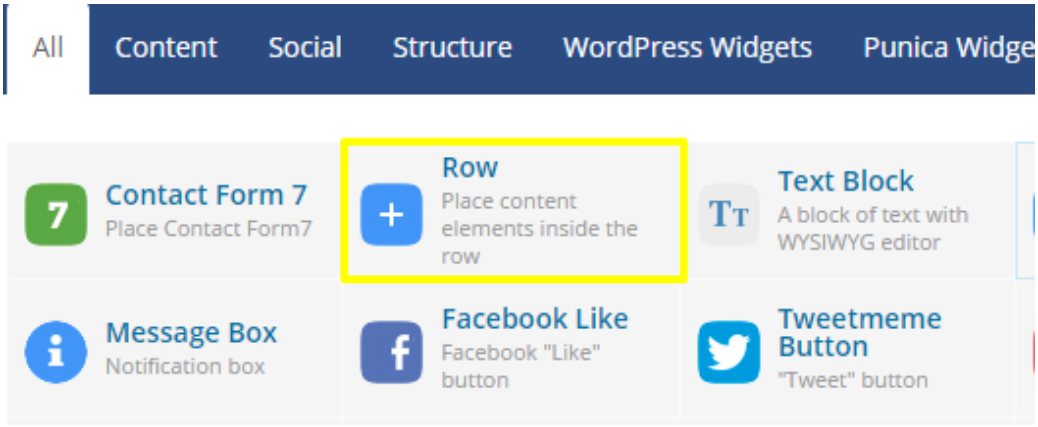
- Header style
- Footer layout
- Breadcrumb settings



Alana Row Options

Summary: Row options.

Add a row

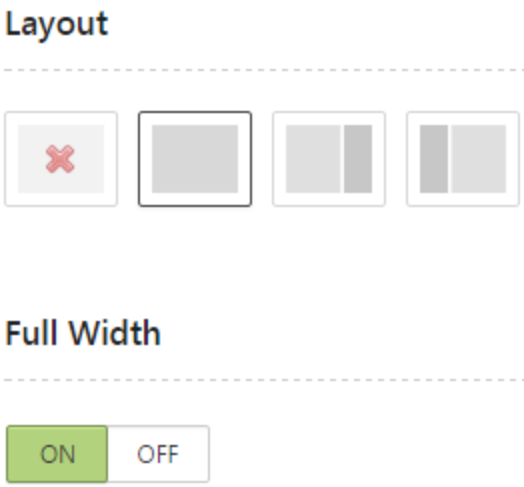


Full width row

You can add a full width row, by follow these steps below:

Full width page

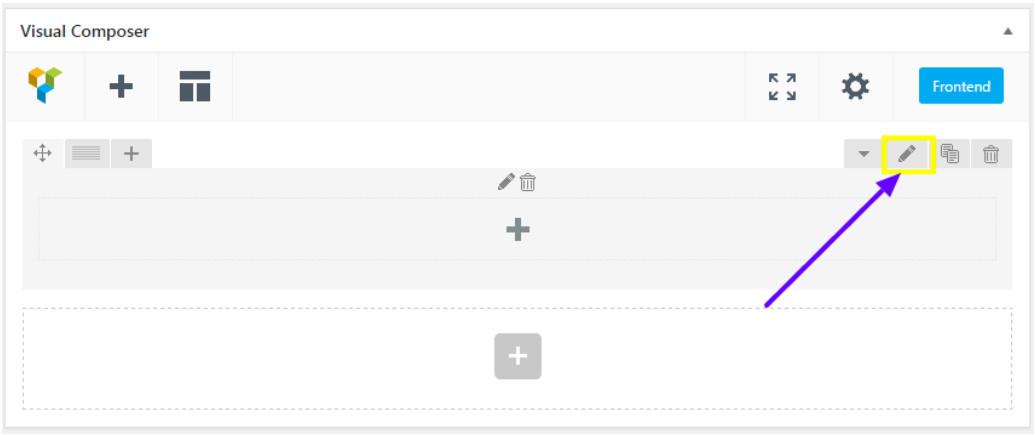
Firstly, please make your page full width, by select **No sidebars** layout and turn the **Full Width** option **ON** in your [page options][alana_page_options]



Row options

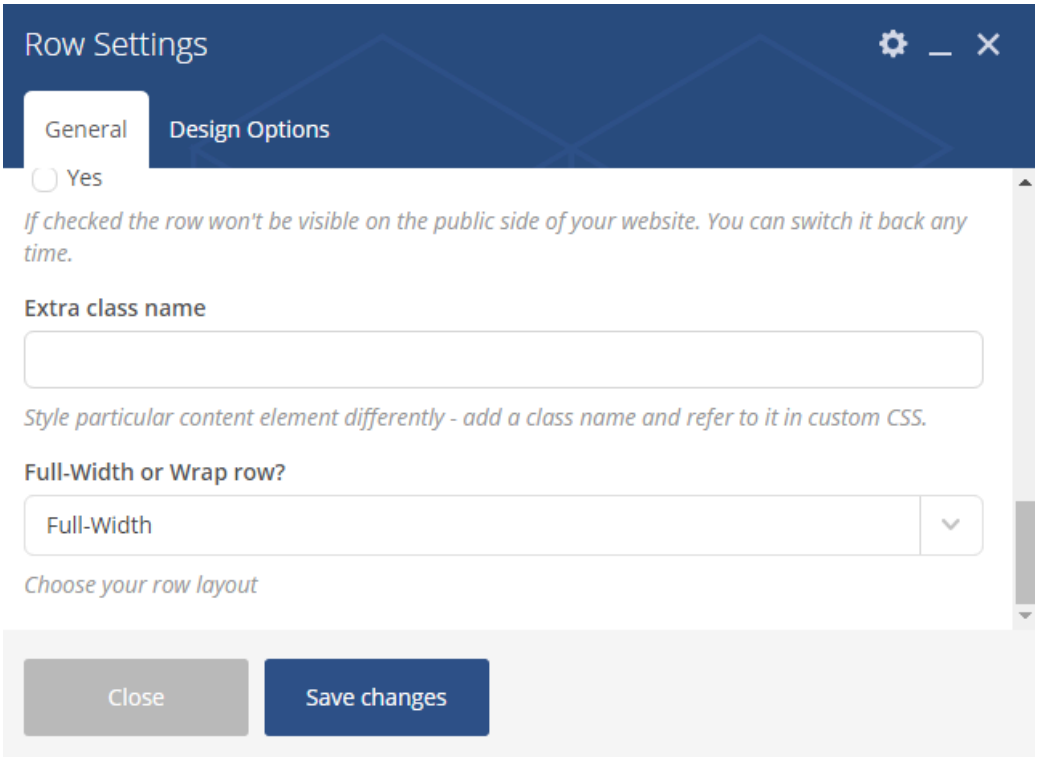
Then open your row options, by click to the pencil icon on the top right of your row

Scroll down to find **Full-Width & Wrap row?** option



Full-Width & Wrap row? option

The default is Wrap row, to make it full width, please select Full-Width value


Row Settings
General
Design Options
Yes
If checked the row won't be visible on the public side of your website. You can switch it back any time.
Extra class name
Style particular content element differently - add a class name and refer to it in custom CSS.
Full-Width or Wrap row?
Full-Width
Choose your row layout
Close
Save changes

ALana Update Theme

Option 1: Automatic Updates via The Envato Market Plugin

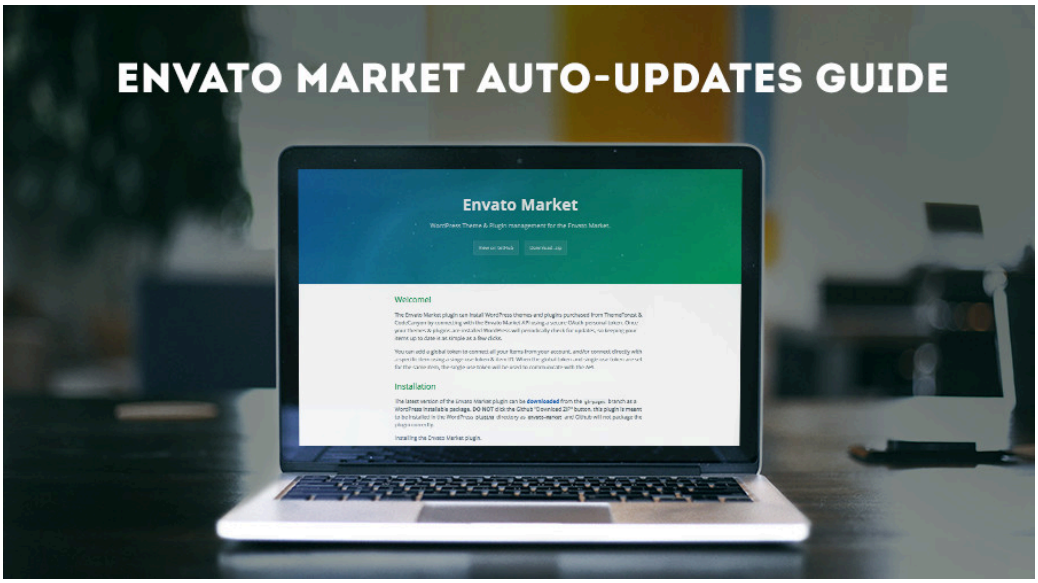


Image by: wpexplorer-themes.com

Envato released a plugin called Envato Market (http://envato.github.io/wp-envato-market/) which can be used to manage all your themes and plugins purchased from ThemeForest and Codecanyon via your WordPress dashboard. This project is in beta and it is a little bit more complicated to setup but if you want to give it a try you can!

View Full Guide

Option 2: Automatic Updates Via Envato Toolkit

The Envato Toolkit is a great plugin created by Envato so you can update any ThemeForest theme right via your WordPress dashboard. You can have a look at the full guide below to see how this plugin is used.

Envato Toolkit Download | Envato Toolkit Guide

Option 3: Manual Updates Via FTP/SFTP Override

Of course you can always update by simply overriding all files via FTP or SFTP.

- Step 1: Download the “installable theme” from ThemeForest
- Step 2: Access your server via FTP or SFTP (if you aren’t sure how usually your webhost will have instructions somewhere on their site)
- Step 3: Browse to wp-content/themes/
- Step 4: Delete and override the “alana” folder files with the new ones downloaded in step 1.

Resources

- https://premium.wpmudev.org/blog/how-to-update-themeforest-themes-with-the-envato-wordpress-toolkit/ (https://premium.wpmudev.org/blog/how-to-update-themeforest-themes-with-the-envato-wordpress-toolkit/)
- http://wpexplorer-themes.com/total/docs/update-theme/ (http://wpexplorer-themes.com/total/docs/update-theme/)

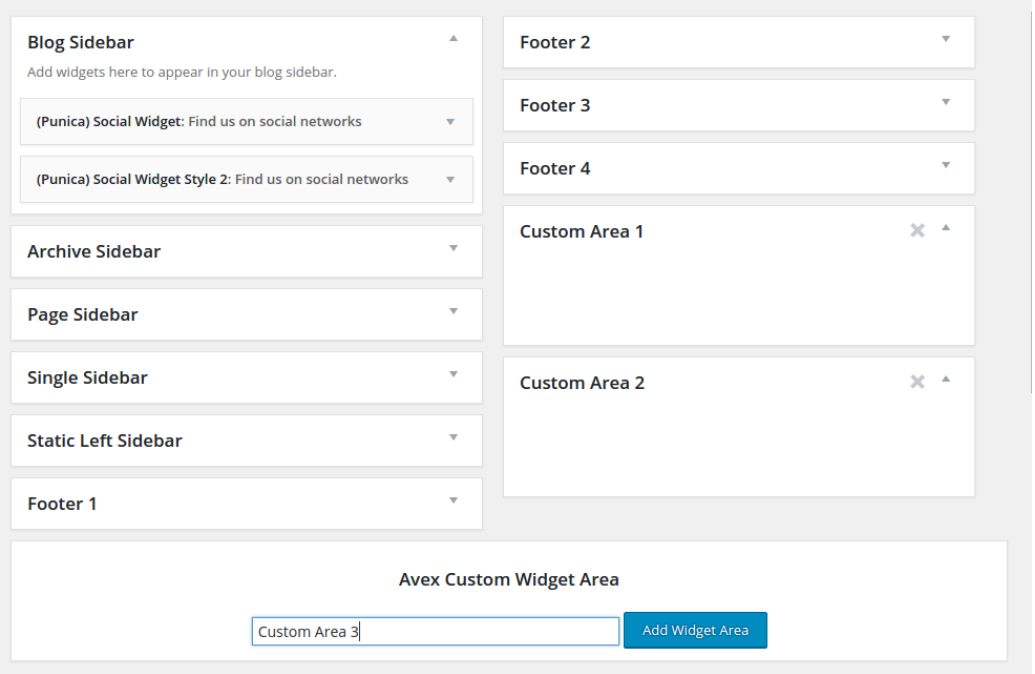
Alana Sidebar Generator

Summary: This feature generates as many sidebars as you need. Then allows you to place them on any page you wish.

Add & remove custom sidebars

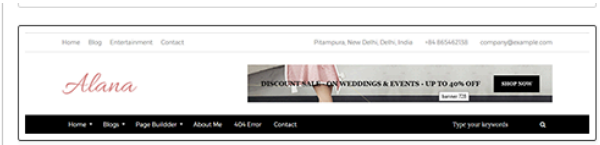
In your site dashboard, go to Appearance -> Widgets

- Type your sidebar name
- Click **Add Widget Area** to add new sidebar
- To remove click X button aside custom sidebar name

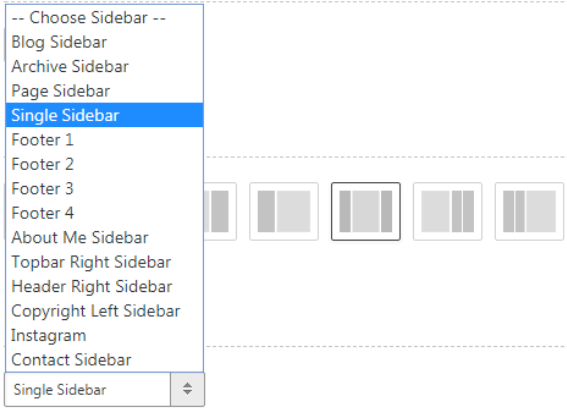


Place your custom sidebar on page

Open a page, scroll down to find Layout options, select your just added custom sidebar and save changes



Sticky Header



Secondary Sidebar

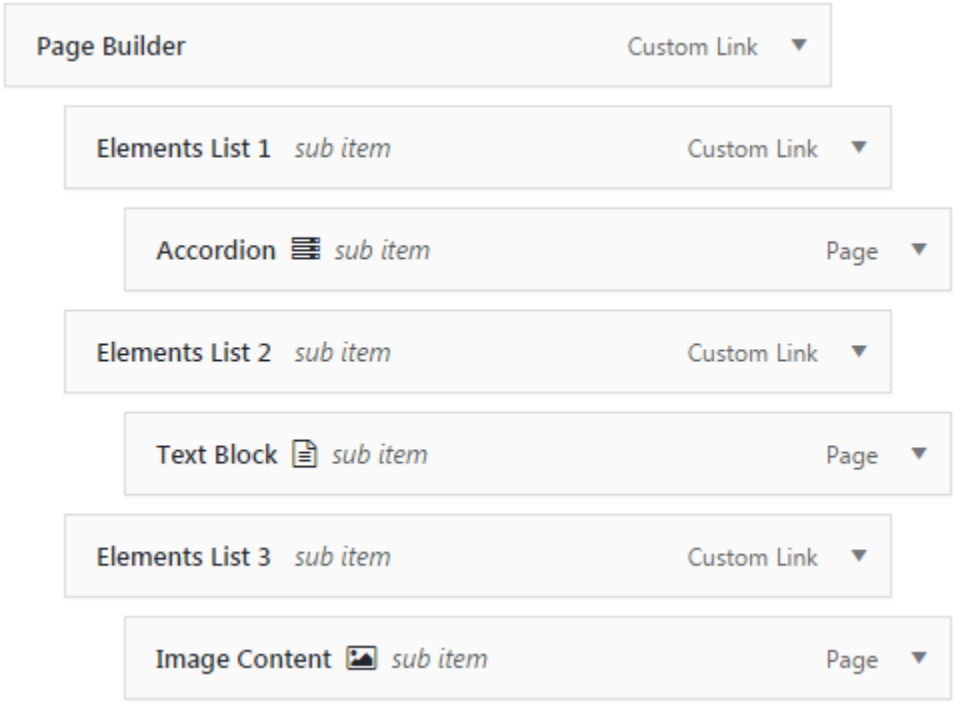
Alana Mega Menu

Summary: This theme supports mega menu feature that helps you build mega menu quickly, easily and beautifully.

Setup

Step 1

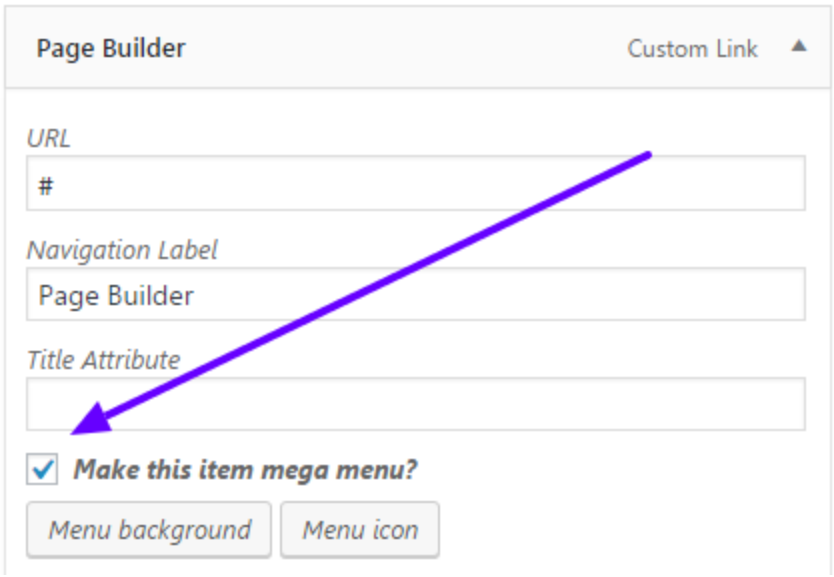
Assume we have the items that sorted like this:



Step 2

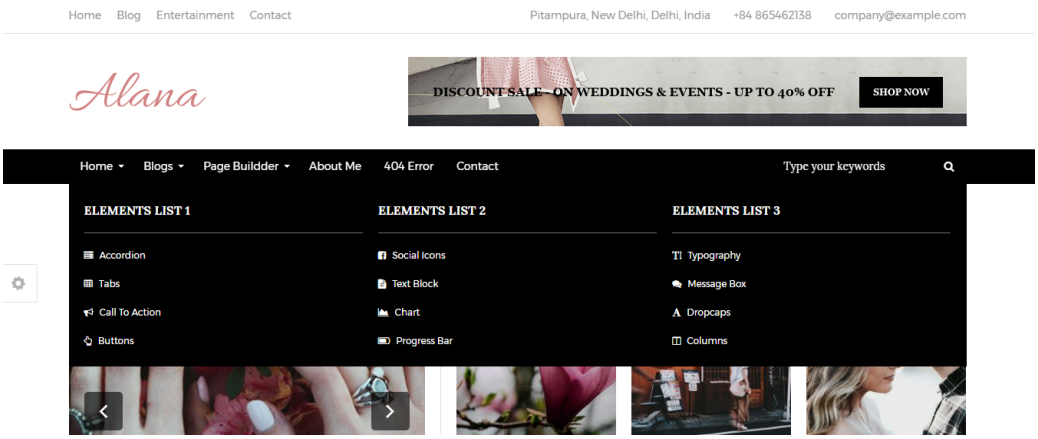
Open the top level item by click to it, check to **Make this item mega menu?** checkbox

Save the menu and visit your site to see the result



Result

Your menu will look like



Easy :)

Extra features

- Mega Menu Widget Area
- Menu background
- Menu icon
- Menu custom container styles