

BugMeBar Documentation

Your guide to installation, setup and common questions (hopefully) answered.

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1. Installation

First you'll need to have WordPress installed.

You can find out more about that here:

http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress

You have two choices to upload your plugin:

1. **Via FTP** - First unzip the plugin and using your FTP program upload the theme folder into /wp-content/plugins/ on your server.
2. **WordPress Upload** - Login to your WordPress website, within the admin screens navigate to Appearance > Plugins > Add New > Upload. Then browse to the zipped plugin folder and click 'Install Now'. You may need to wait for a few seconds before the file uploads.

Once the plugin is on your server or uploaded, you need to activate it, just go to Appearance > Themes and activate it.

2. Setting up

When you install our plugin you'll see that it has set up all of the default options for you.

To edit the plugin go to Settings > BugMeBar Settings

3. Settings Panel

There is only one panel and everything has inline help. Here is an overview of the settings

Disabled allows you set disabled the bar, without disabling the plugin.

Homepage Only causes the bar to only be displayed on your main home page.

Exclude from Posts allows you to specify a list of Post Ids (17,24,67) in comma separated form. The bar will not be displayed on these posts.

Exclude from Categories allows you to specify a list of Category Ids (17,3,44) in comma separated form. The bar will not be displayed on pages or posts which are linked to an excluded category.

Target you can enter your target for BugMeBar to load into, the default is the main body tag, but you can target any element div, span, an href if you want.

Message enter your message in here to show within BugMeBar. If you are including HTML, please don't use double quotes ("), use single quotes (') as this confuses the JavaScript when the plugin loads. If you do need to double quotes, use them use an escape character first e.g. "Quote" would be \"Quote \"

Message font size you can pixels, ems, rems, pts in here. Just enter your value + unit and you're good to go e.g. 17px

Use your website's font by default we load Helvetica as its clear and easy to read. Choose "Yes" to use your current website font **Message Colour** changes the message colour

Message Link Colour changes the message link colour

Message Link Hover Colour changes the message link hover colour

Align message align message left, right or center

Show or Hide Close button

Close text Enter the text you want for the close button e.g. X

Close Colour

Close Hover Colour

Align Close button left or right

Close button, distance from the right (when right aligned)

Close button, distance from the left (when left aligned)

Remember closing with a Cookie? This will add a cookie to the user's browser so that computer doesn't load it on each page

Cookie expires in This is in days

Name your cookie Entering a different name will mean cookie bar reappears for everyone

Minimum width to display on will prevent the bar from being shown if the browser width is less than the specified. Set this to roughly 800 to hide for mobile devices. Defaults to off. Please note that retina devices report as 'double width', e.g. iPhone may report a width of 960.

Show transitioning colours This is for CSS3 browsers only and turns the transitions on/off

Bounce in/out Animation in on open and close This is for CSS3 browsers only and turns the transitions on/off

Fixed position bar This will fix BugMeBar to the top of the page

Fixed bar spacer Want to create a bit of space for a fixed bar to go in rather than overlay content? Set to Yes. Only use this in conjunction with the Fixed position option above.

Z-index Setting this makes sure you are able to lay content Add another 9 if BugMeBar is showing underneath content

Finally, set all of the transition colours, **Colour 1** sets the main colour for non-CSS3 browsers and the main colour if you turn transitions off.

4. Technical documentation

The plugin is based strongly on the jQuery plugin at <https://github.com/weare2ndfloor/BugMeBar> the author of which has granted PluginHero usage of the plugin.

Dependencies

jQuery - which is requested as part of plugin

jQuery Cookie JS - which is registered and enqueued as part of plugin

5. Language Support

You'll find .po and .mo files within the languages folder of this plugin.