$div.dialog({

modal: true,

maxHeight:500,

}).prev(".ui-dialog-titlebar").css("background","red");

Or

Define the css as

. myTitleClass .ui-dialog-titlebar {

background:red;

}

and add the custom class to the dialog initialization function :

$( "#dialog" ).dialog({

autoOpen: false,

dialogClass: 'myTitleClass'

});

Or

.ui-dialog-titlebar {

background:red;

color: white;

}

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<head>

<meta http-equiv="content-type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">

<title> - jsFiddle demo</title>

<script type='text/javascript' src='http://code.jquery.com/jquery-1.4.4.min.js'></script>

<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="/css/normalize.css">

<script type="text/javascript" src="http://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jqueryui/1.8.7/jquery-ui.js"></script>

<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="/css/result-light.css">

<link rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="http://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/libs/jqueryui/1.8.16/themes/start/jquery-ui.css">

<style type='text/css'>

.ui-dialog,.ui-dialog,.ui-widget, .ui-widget-content, .ui-corner-all, .foo, .ui-draggable, .ui-resizable {background:yellow !important}

</style>

<script type='text/javascript'>//<![CDATA[

$(window).load(function(){

$("#dia").dialog({

autoOpen: true,

height: 200,

width: 300,

modal: false,

draggable: true,

position: [900, 150],

dialogClass: "foo",

//show: {effect: 'bounce', duration: 350, times: 3}

show: {effect: 'fade', duration: 2000}

});

$(".foo .ui-dialog-titlebar").css("display", "none");

$(".foo .ui-dialog-title").css("font-size", "5px");

$(".foo .ui-widget-header").css("display", "none");

$(".foo .ui-widget-content").css("background-color", "#DD3355");

$(".foo .ui-widget-content").css("font-size", "12px");

$(".ui-corner-all").css("background-color", "green");

$(".ui-resizable-n").css("background-image", "none");

});//]]>

</script>

</head>

<body>

<div id="dia" class="foo">

hello world

</div>

</body>

</html>