JOHN Manual – Features and tools

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01. How to install theme John Hill

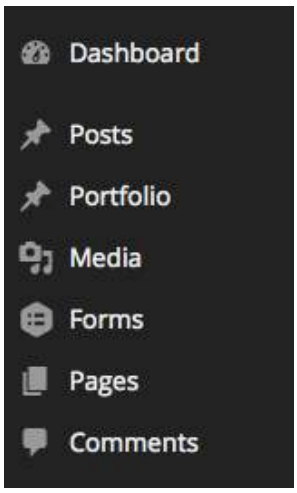
After purchasing theme JOHN, your download contains a zip-file with the file name: **‘’John – unzip me please’’**.

Installing theme JOHN.

You can install JOHN using several methods. We use the easiest and fastest approach though, and this is via your Wordpress dashboard.

1. Access your Wordpress account, and login.

Once you’ve logged in, you’ll be directed to the dashboard.



2. Go to **Appearance** and click **Themes.**

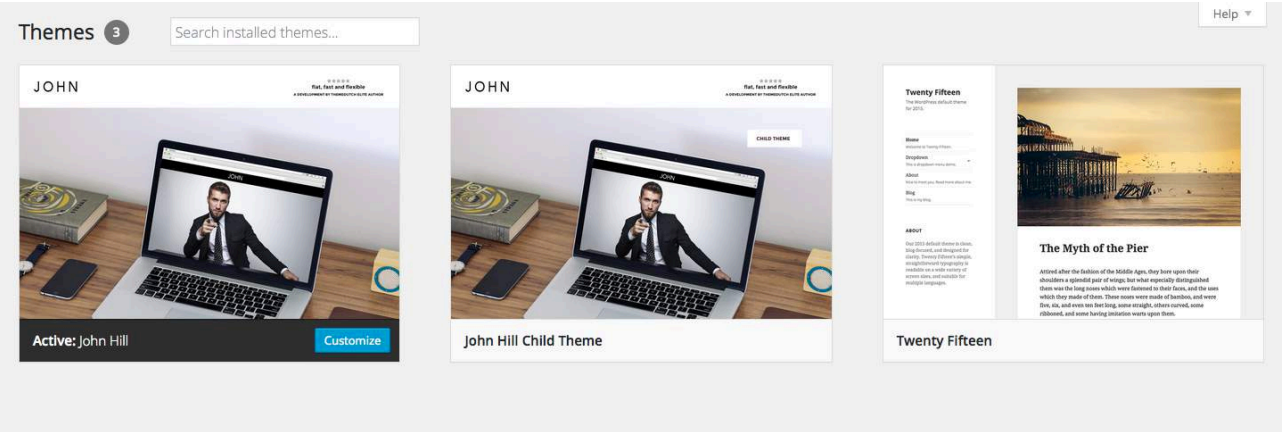
3. Click the **Add New** tab.

4. Next, hit **Upload.**

5. Still remember the JOHN folder you unzipped earlier? **Click the Browse button, locate the said John unzipped folder and then select it.**

6. Click **Install Now**.

7. Wait for the installation to finish and then hit **Activate** link. Then you’ll see this screen.

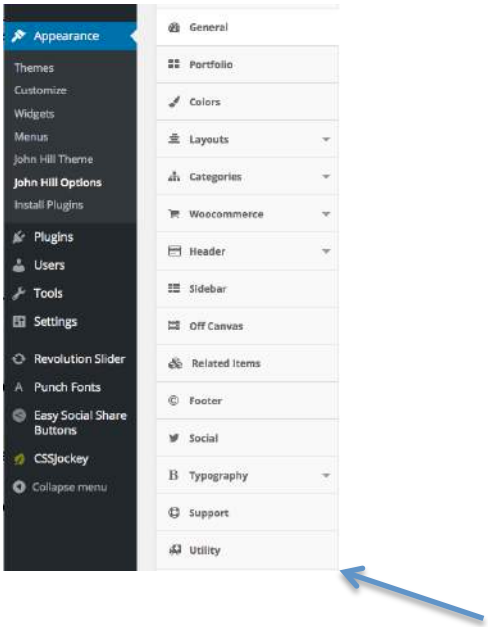


NOTE:

Theme JOHN is now activated. Read the messages, which appear on your dashboard carefully, because they provide important info about “required and recommended plugins” for theme JOHN. The Revolution Slider WP plugin is built-in, and only needs to be activated.

02. How to in stall dummy content.

The tab **‘’Utility’’** within **John Hill Options** is created for importing Dummy Content, and/or export your JOHN theme options.



IMPORTANT NOTICE: 1

Importing dummy content ‘may take some time. Installing dummy content will not cause problems If you have ‘’good quality hosting’’. In some cases the dummy content will not work, for example If you really have bad hosting.

(You will also need to import the Revolution Slider demo content if you want to make use of the Revolution Sliders) See the JOHN Unzip me please file.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 2

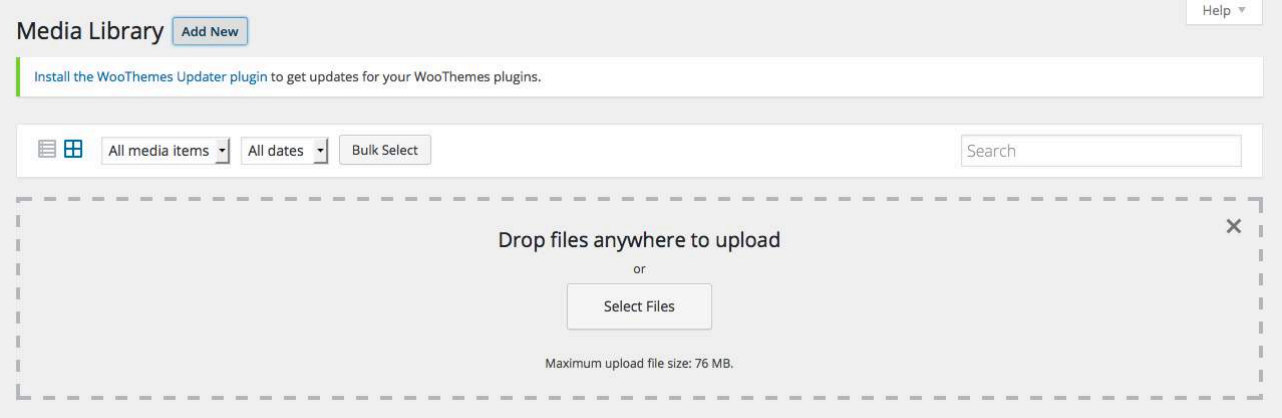
1. After installing ‘dummy content’ you need to assign menus to the main and footer areas. Set your home page via Settings / Reading.

2. Sidebars and Widgets are not included in the dummy content. These you’ll have to create yourself. You can read in the manual how to create Sidebars and Widgets.

3. When installing all Plugins that come with the theme, insure that no other caching Plugins are installed/activated.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 3

Before installing ‘dummy content’ you need to check if your Media Library has a Maximum Upload file size of at least: 75 MB. If this not the case for example only 8 MB, the dummy content will not work!



How to increase the Maximum Upload file size?

add this to top of wp-config.php

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define('WP_MEMORY_LIMIT', '75M');
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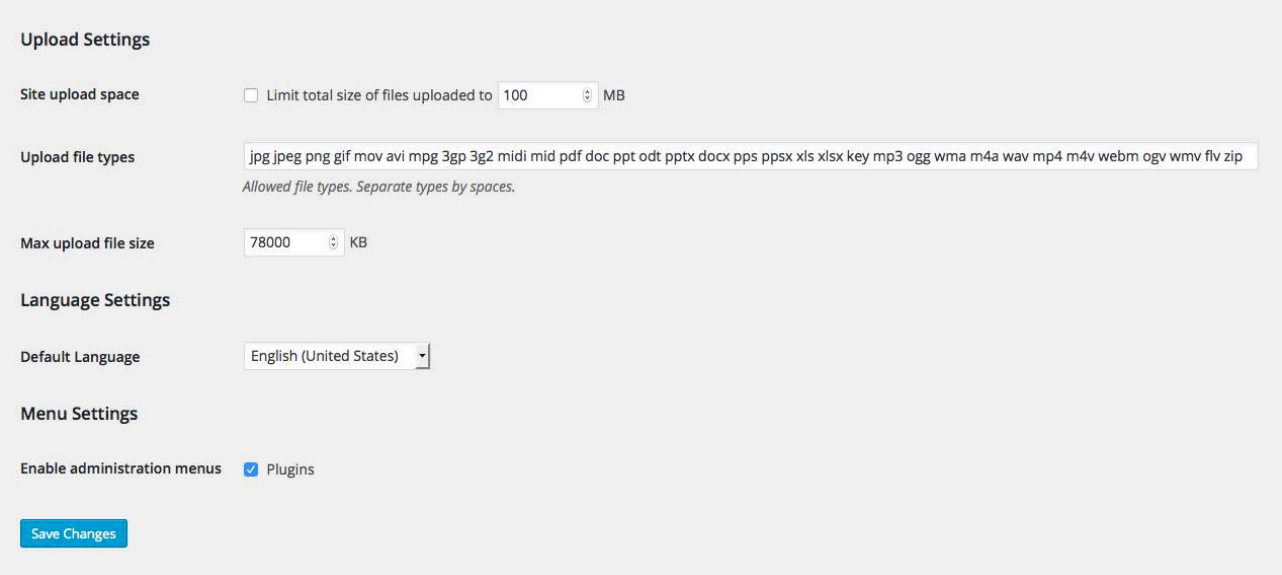
Multi Site Maximum Upload file size?

In case of a Multi site setup go to the Network settings/ Upload settings / Max upload file size.



IMPORTANT NOTICE: 4

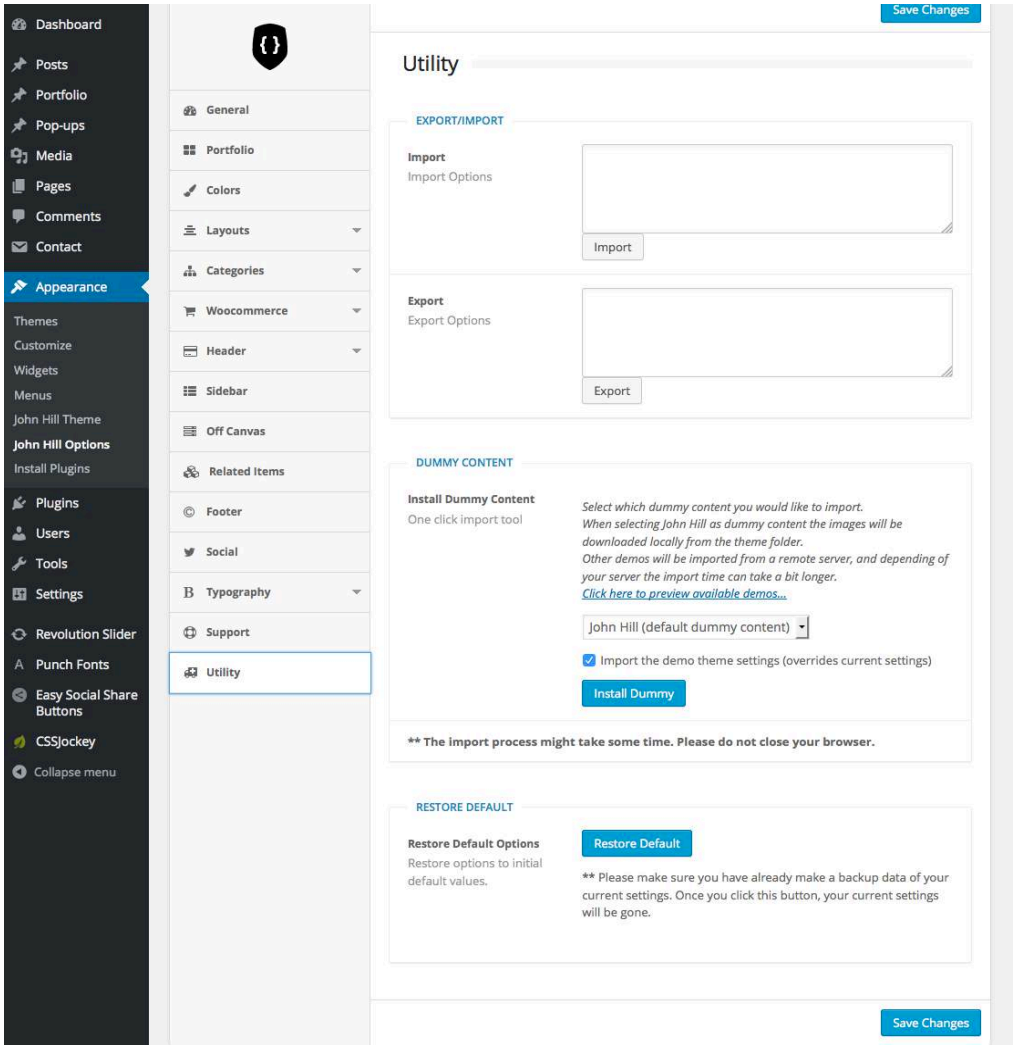
All the content from the John Main Demo is included in you're theme files. This is the best way for having a flawless installation. We have not included the other demos, and when you install one of the other demos, then the content and images will be downloaded direct from our server. This may take some time, despite we have created the other demos as small as possible.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 5

We've made sure that our demo installer will work on most hosting platforms. We are not responsible for installation problems caused by you're server or settings thoug. It is a time consuming process if we need to check you're server settings and sometimes we even need to discuss this with the hosting provider. Therefore we offer Installation services that are avaible via our website.

Import Dummy content.

Hit the button 'Install Dummy Content' if you would like to install the official JOHN preview website's content.



Important! All used photo material is copyright protected.

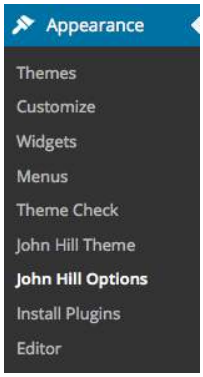
The images used in our preview website are intended for example purposes only. As they’re copyright protected, you need to remove them from your media section, before your website goes online. We thank you for your understanding.

03. JOHN HILL Options – Theme Info

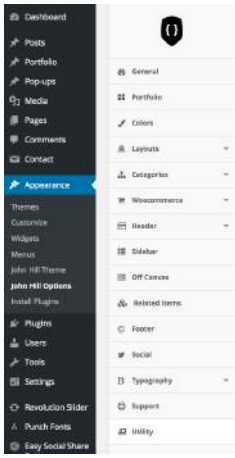
The John Hill Options panel is one of JOHN's most useful and powerful tools. Besides regular WP features, it contains almost all theme's controls, settings, options and functionalities.

TIP:
If you're using theme JOHN for the first time, we strongly advice to focus on the John Hill Options Panel first. Learn all about its options and features.

To access JOHN's Option Panel, select **Appearance** menu and then select **John Hill Options**



JOHN Option Panel contains 'settings for most theme features'. In here, you can change/set JOHN Options: General, Portfolio, Colors, Layouts, Categories, Woocommerce, Header, Sidebar, Off Canvas, Related Items, Footer, Social, Typography, Support and Utility.



NOTE:

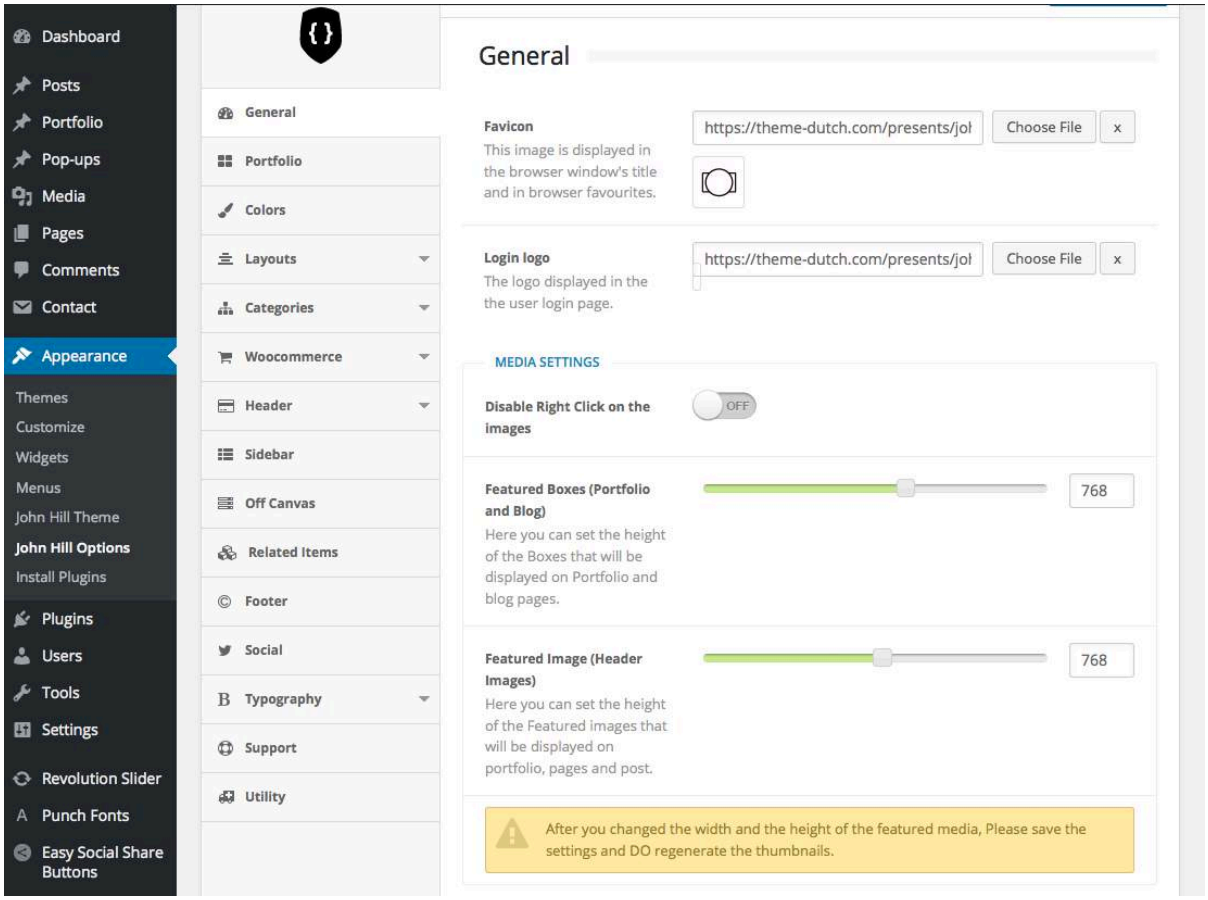
John Hill Options tool 'Utility" can be used for installing dummy content, importing and/or exporting your JOHN Options from file, text or URL.

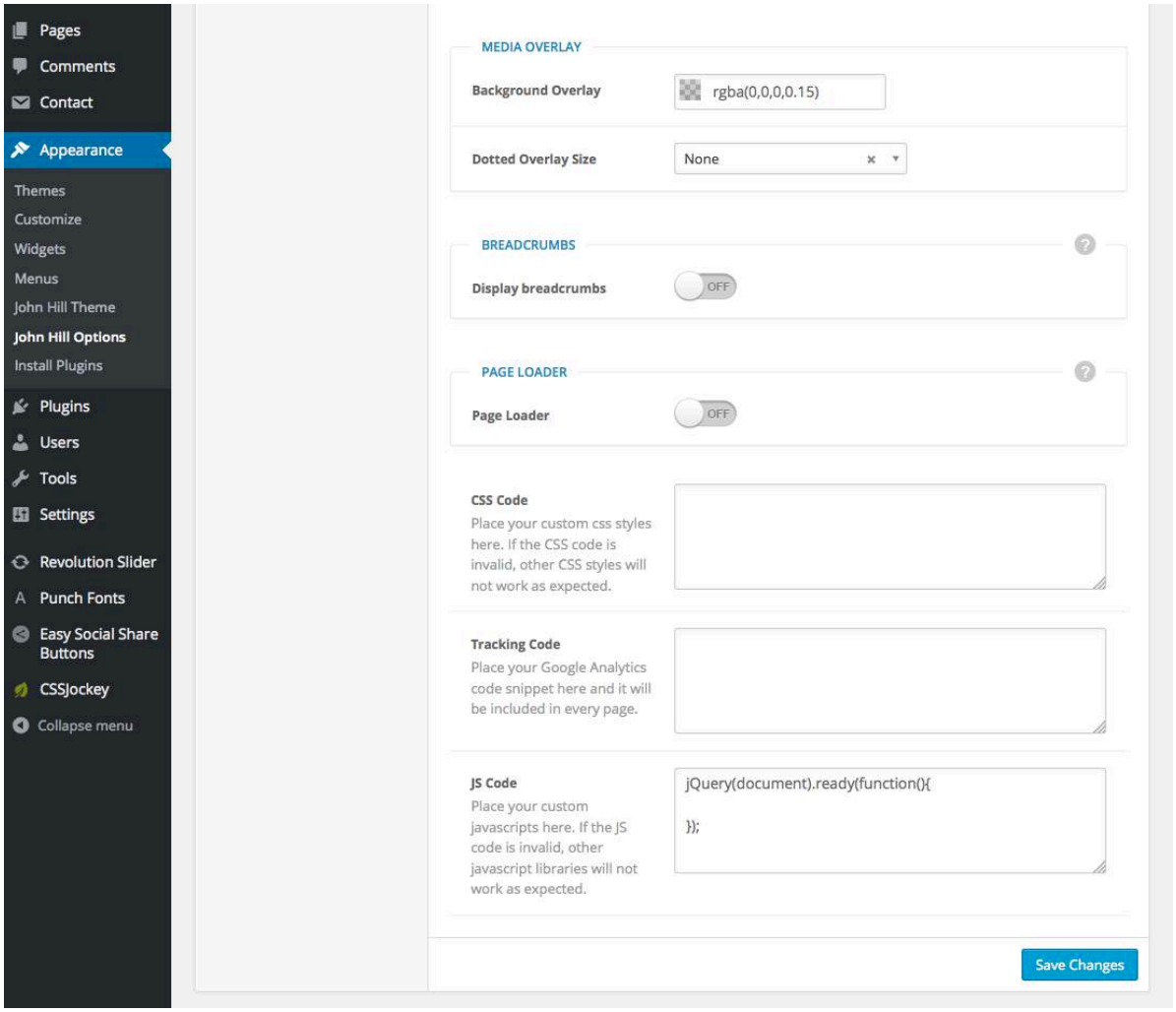
04. John Hill Options – General

Let's start with the tab **General** theme options. In here you can upload your Favicon, Login Logo, Media Settings, *Media Overlay, Breadcrumbs, Page Loader, Custom CSS Code, Tracking Code, and custom JS Code. All settings are self-explanatory.

NOTE:

*Media Overlay. This option allows you to create a ''dotted overlay'' on top of your images in order to **speed up the loading time of your site**. You're even able to choose a specific color for background overlay.
This option prevents using the ''swipe-effect'' on mobile and tablets though.
Don't forget to read/follow the additional suggestions and info, and hit the button **'**Save changes' when you're ready.

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Punch Fonts
Easy Social Share Buttons
CSSJockey
Collapse menu
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Background Overlay
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BREADCRUMBS
Display breadcrumbs
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PAGE LOADER
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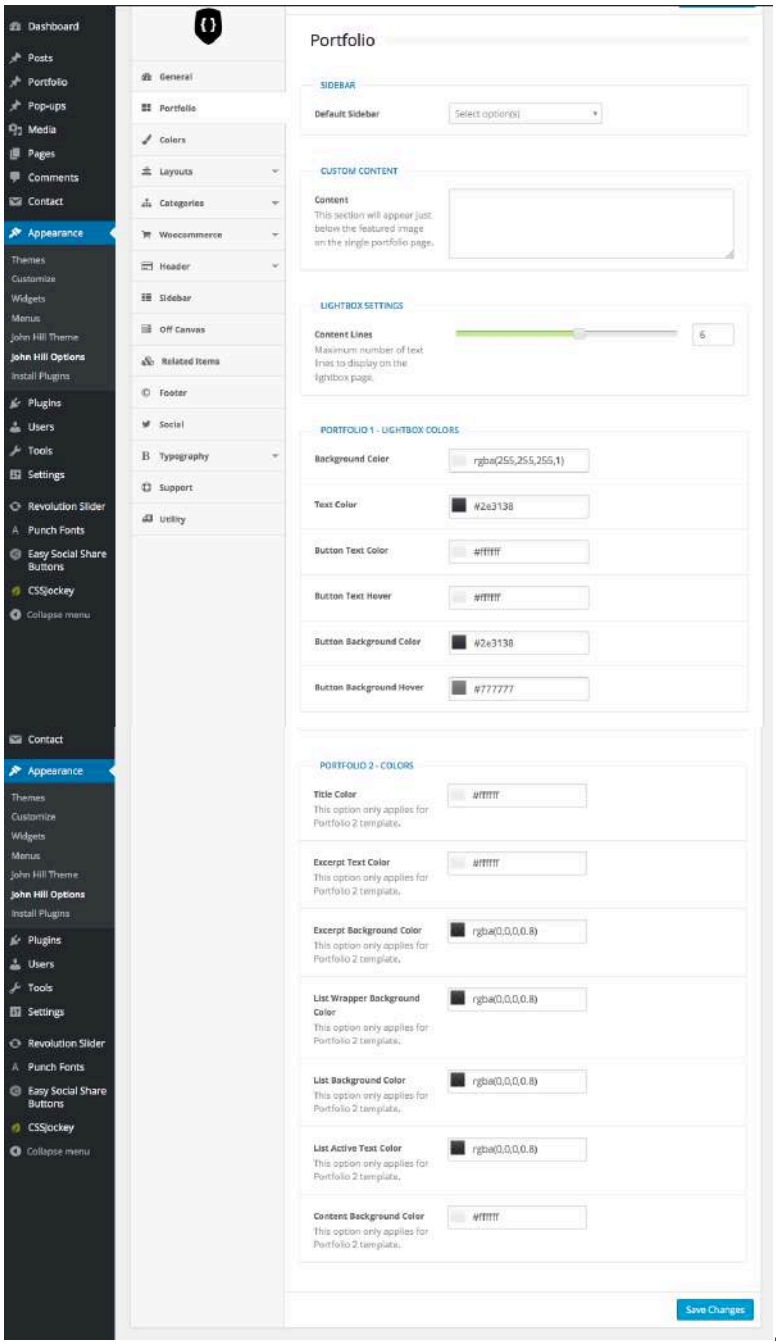
CSS Code
Place your custom css styles here. If the CSS code is invalid, other CSS styles will not work as expected.
Tracking Code
Place your Google Analytics code snippet here and it will be included in every page.
JS Code
Place your custom javascripts here. If the JS code is invalid, other javascript libraries will not work as expected.
jQuery(document).ready(function(){
});
Save Changes

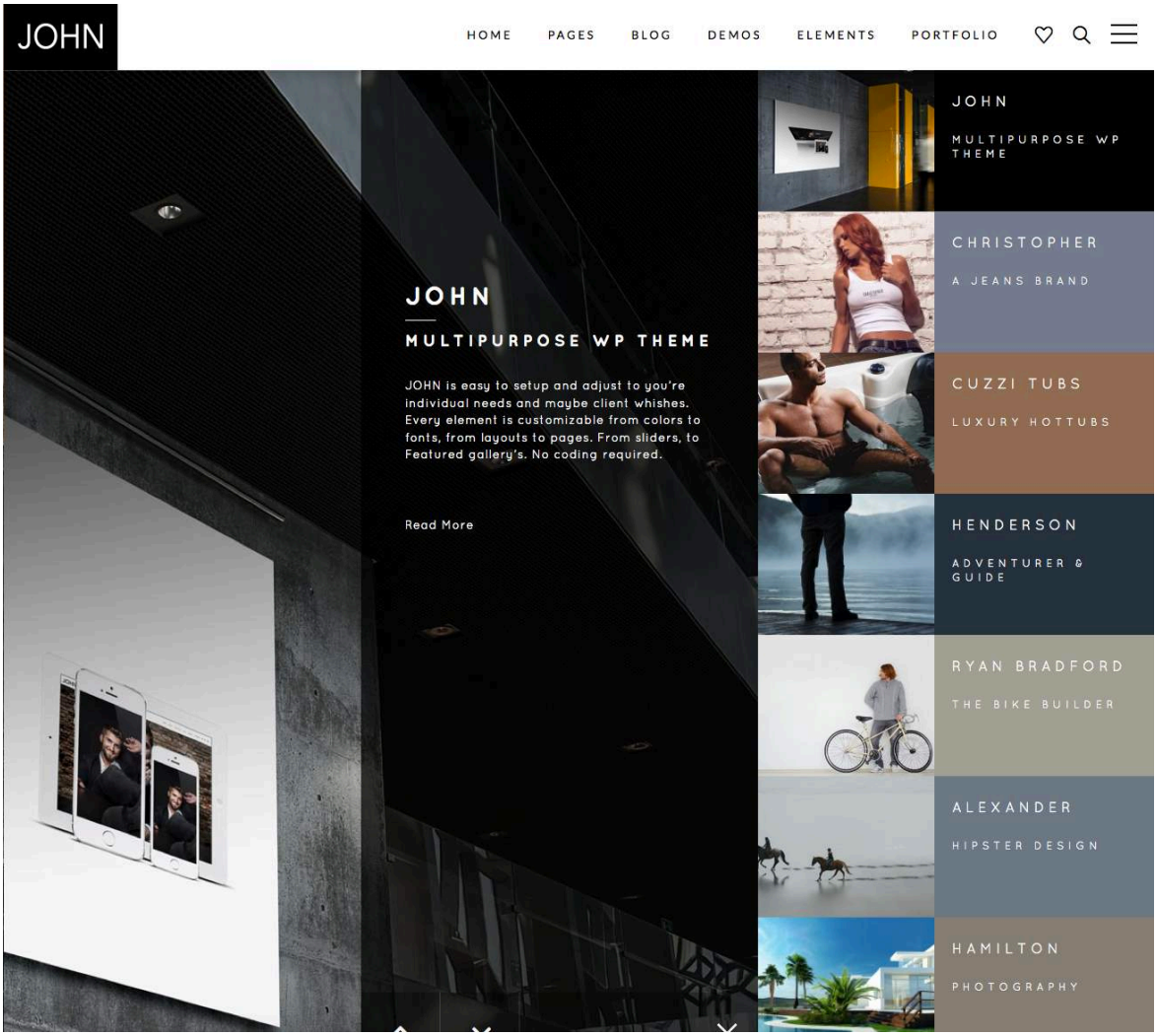
05. John Hill Options – Portfolio

Via the tab Portfolio you can create ‘general’ settings for all portfolio pages. All color settings are self-explanatory.
On ‘single portfolio pages’ you’re able to customize all ‘PORTFOLIO 2’ template colors and make it look like our Home Page Portfolio example. We’ll explain how to do this.

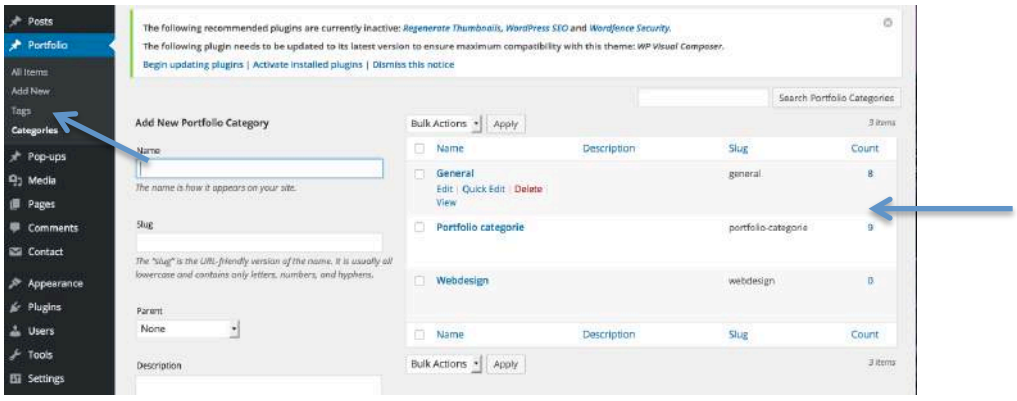
Example general settings portfolio



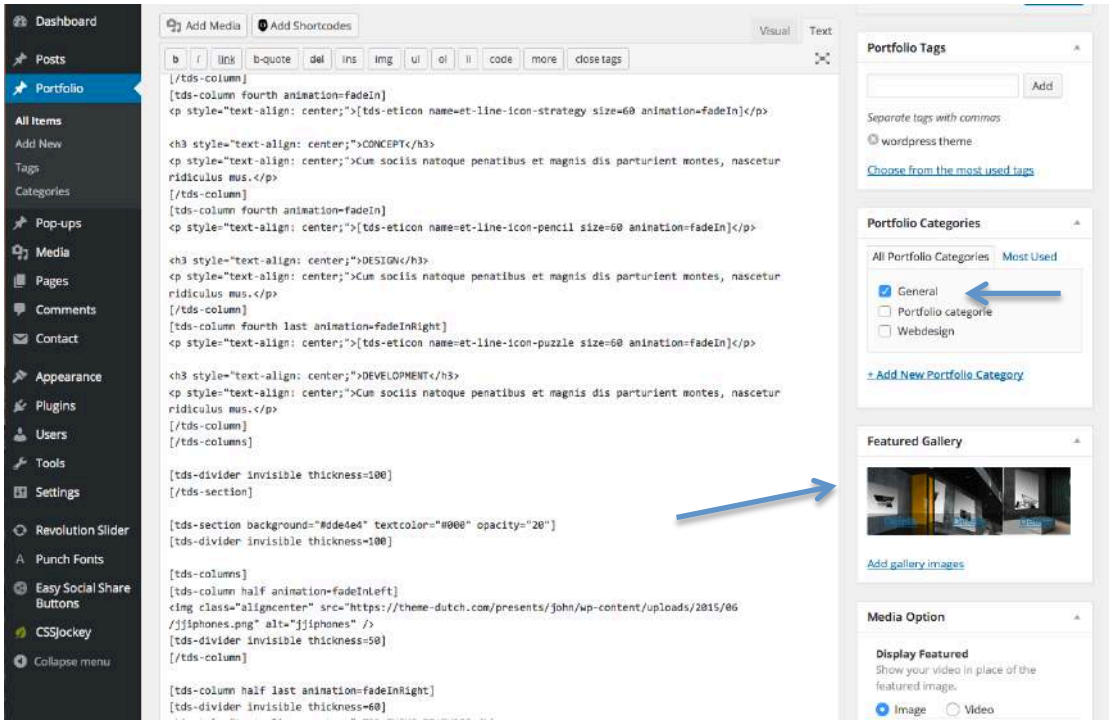
Example portfolio 2 template (Home page portfolio)
link demo: https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/



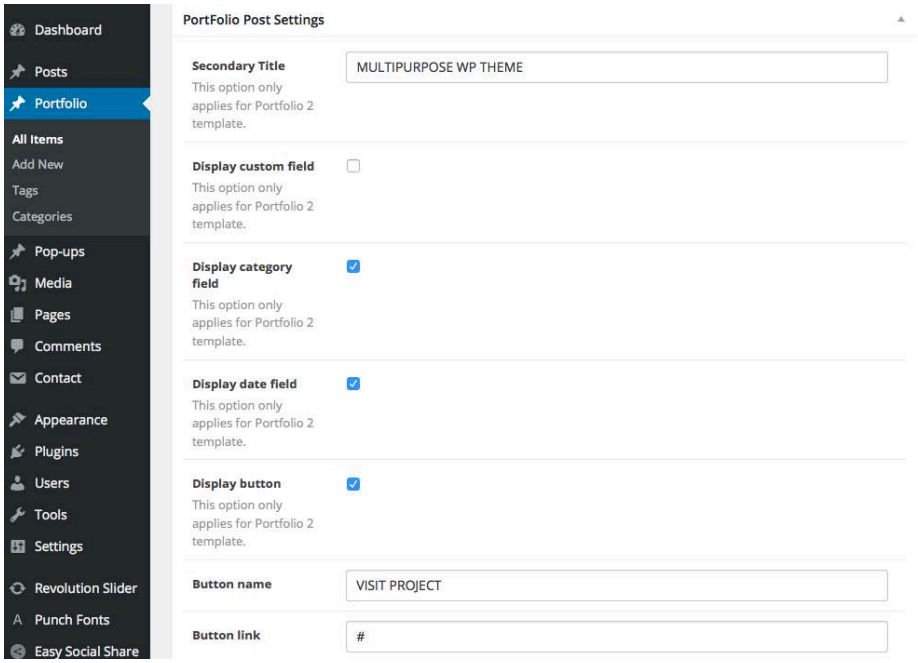
1. Create a category for your home page portfolio; we created category ‘General’ for John’s home page portfolio (portfolio 2 template).



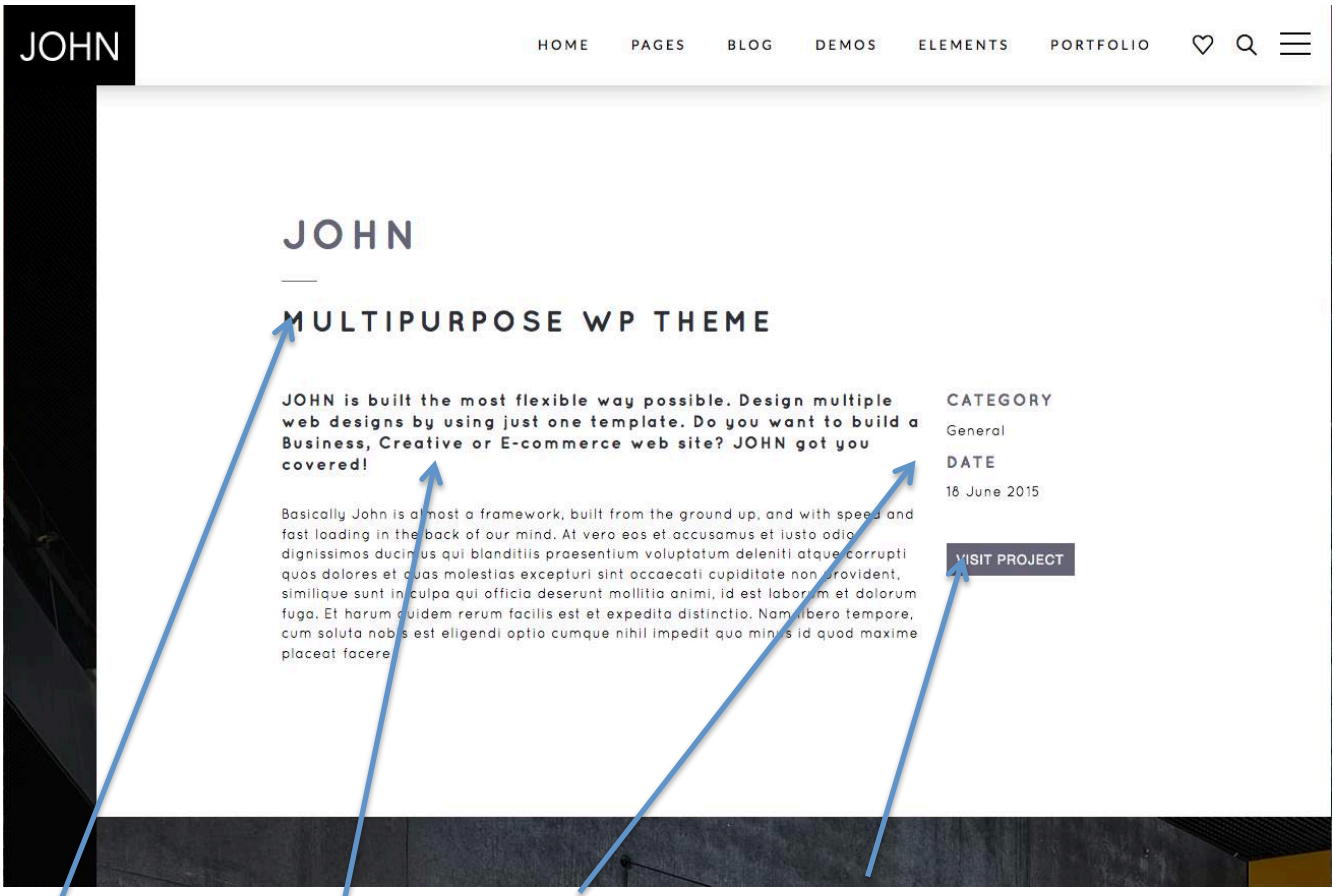
2. Create single portfolio pages including ‘your content’ for each portfolio-page and add a featured image or featured gallery. Don’t forget to ‘check’ the Portfolio category (we use category General).



Via Portfolio Post Settings you're able to create settings that only apply for the **Portfolio 2 template** (like our home page portfolio example)

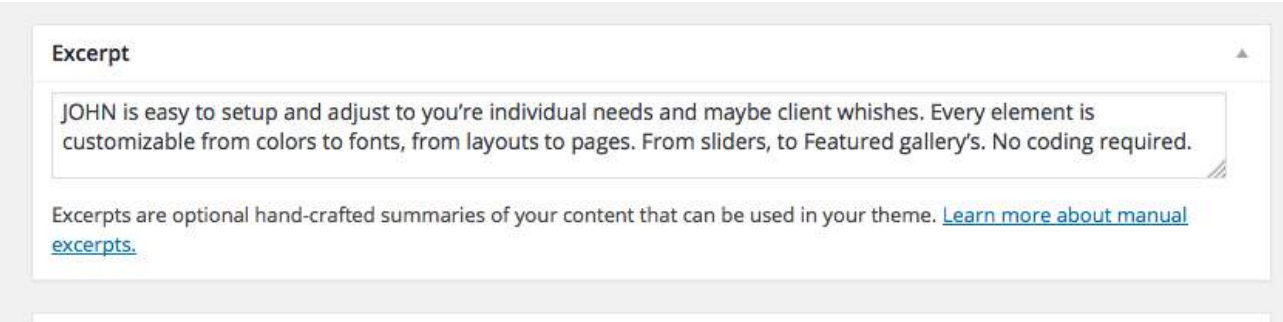


This is how this section looks like at the front-end of our 1st Portfolio Page ‘JOHN’

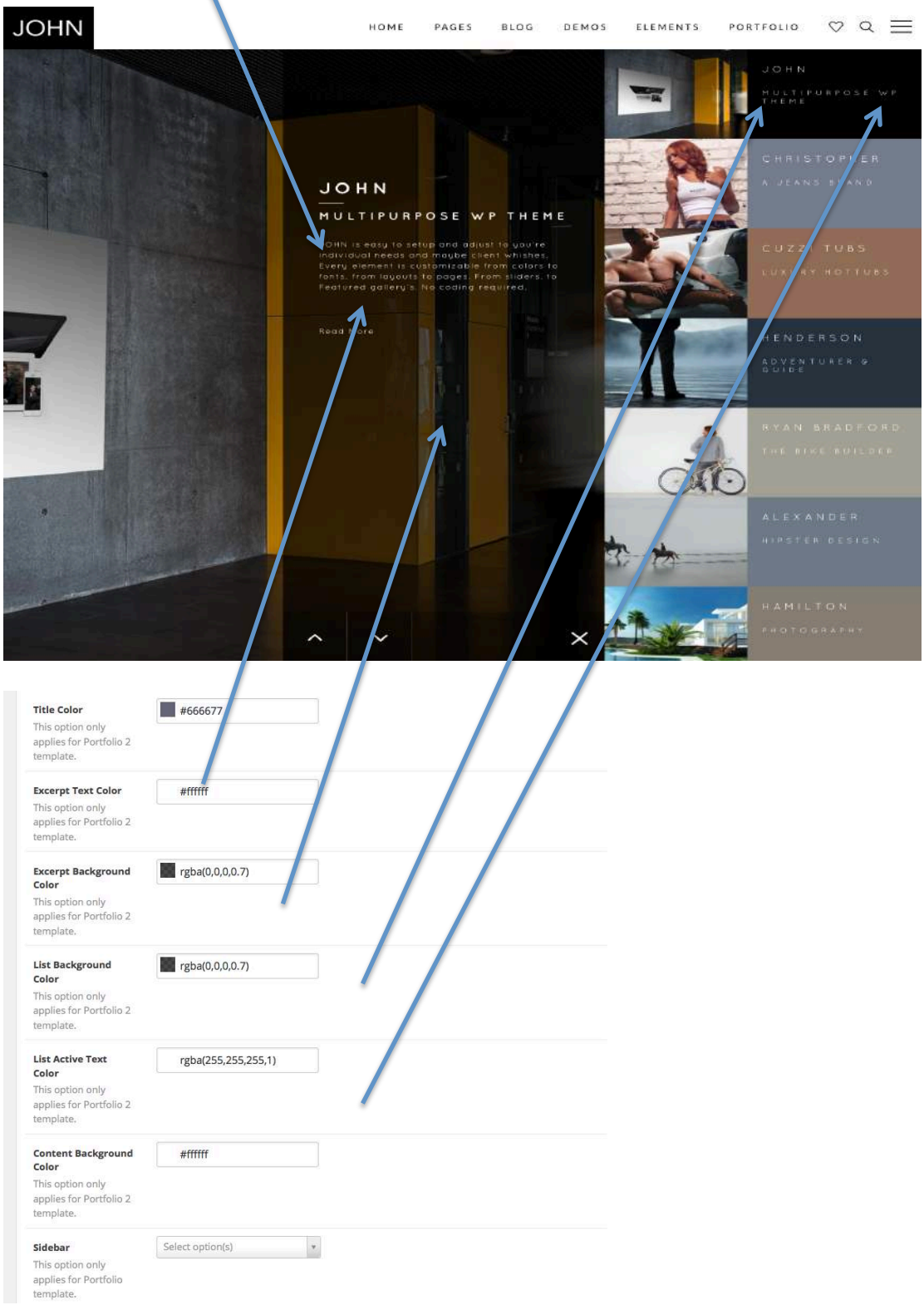


Secondary Title I Custom content I Category ‘General’ I Date & Button

The ‘Excerpt text’ will be visible on the home page portfolio category.

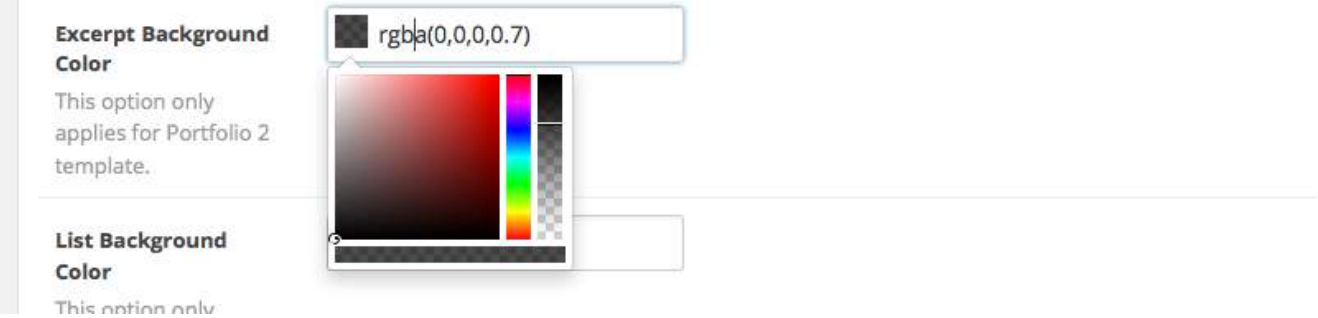


Excerpt text portfolio page ‘JOHN’.

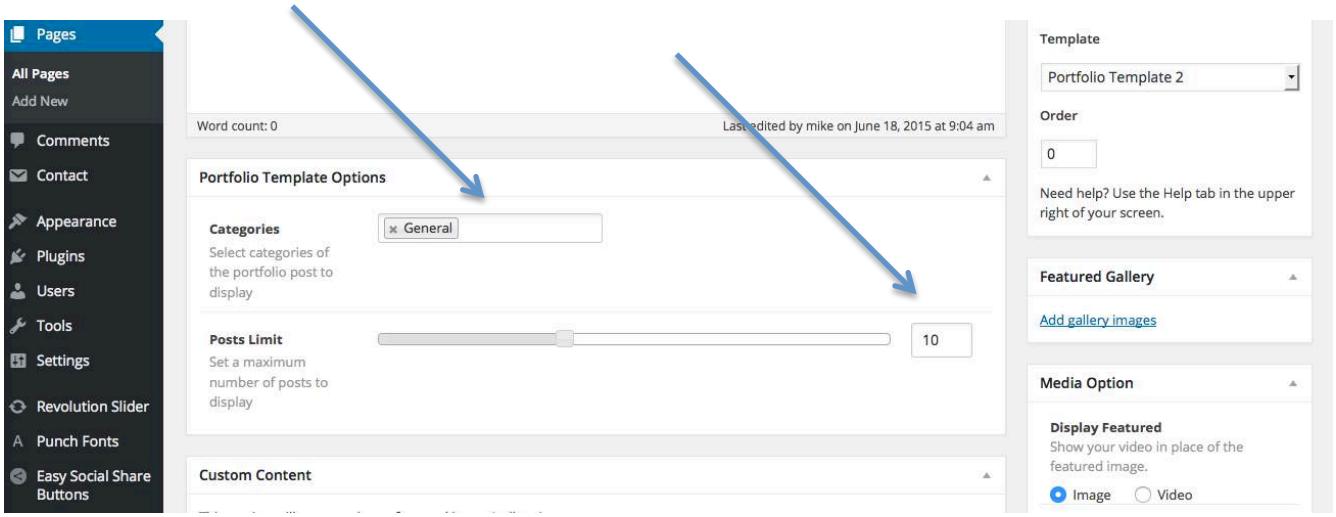


*Title color (page title) will be visible on the actual portfolio page.

Colors can be made transparent. This way you can create the ‘effects’ on the portfolio list items (list background color) on the home portfolio, and create a transparent background color for the ‘excerpt text’. (Excerpt background color).

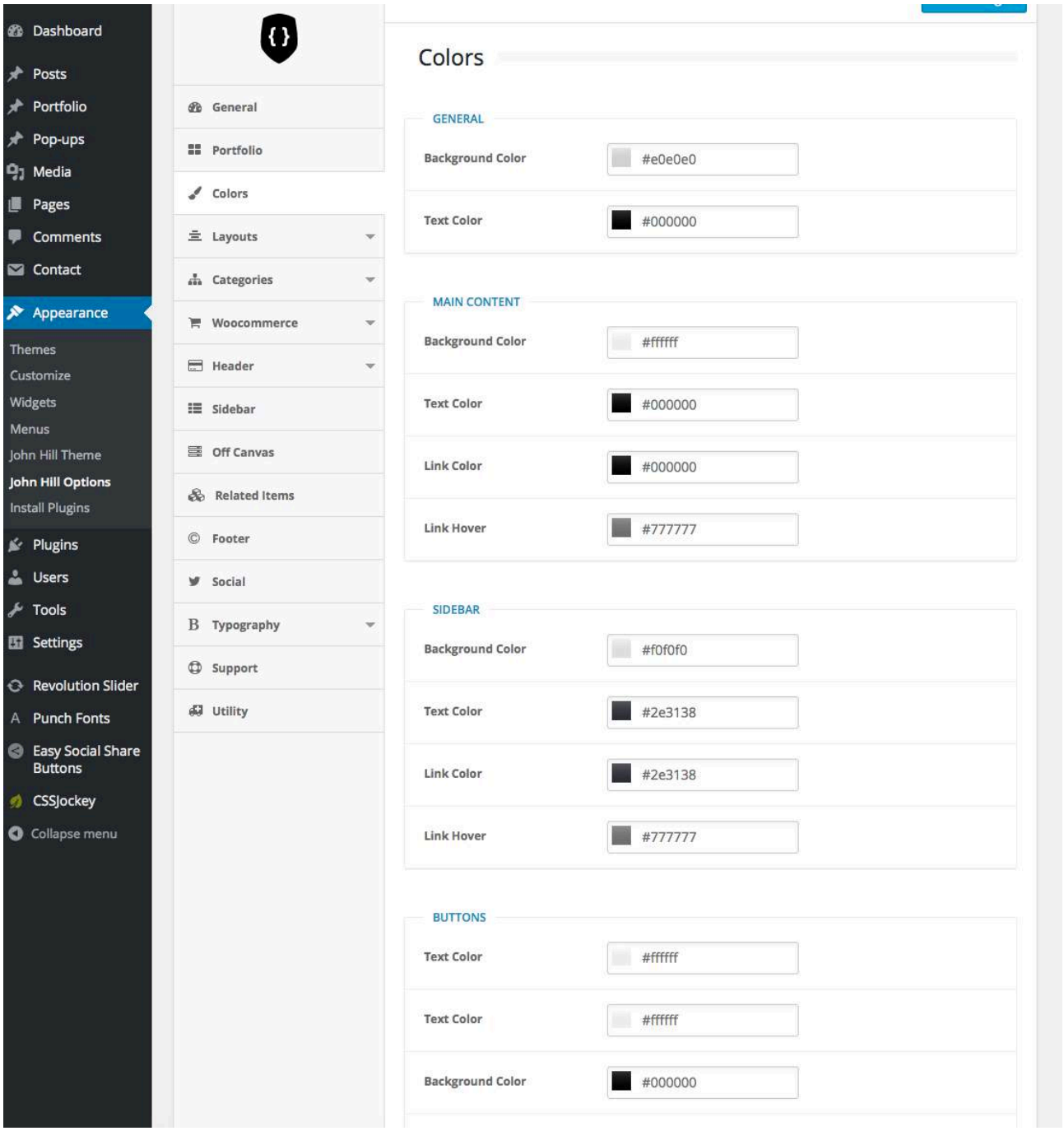


On your **home page** (portfolio) you can set the category for your home page portfolio and the number of portfolio posts you want to show.
Select ‘Portfolio Template 2’ for your home.



06. John Hill Options – Colors

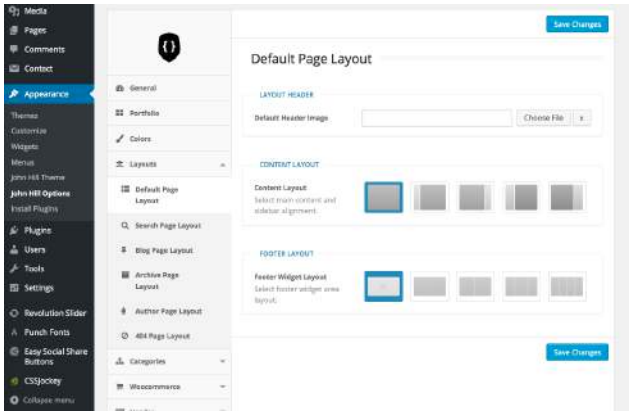
In this Module, you can change / set the theme's colors. (general, main content, sidebar, buttons, and all Heading titles. All settings are self-explanatory.



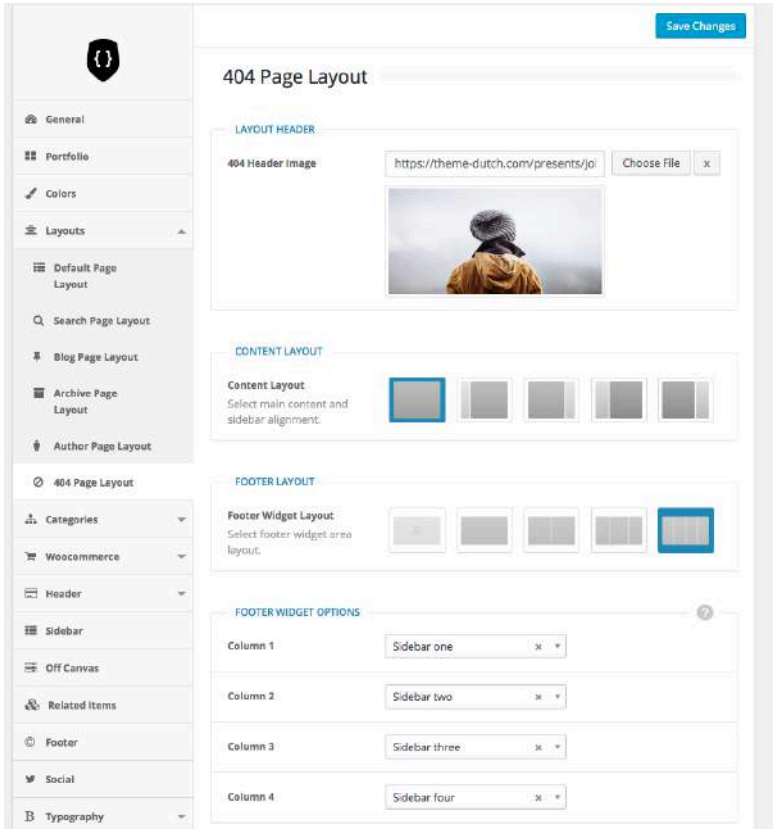
7. John Hill Options – Layouts pages

All settings are self-explanatory.

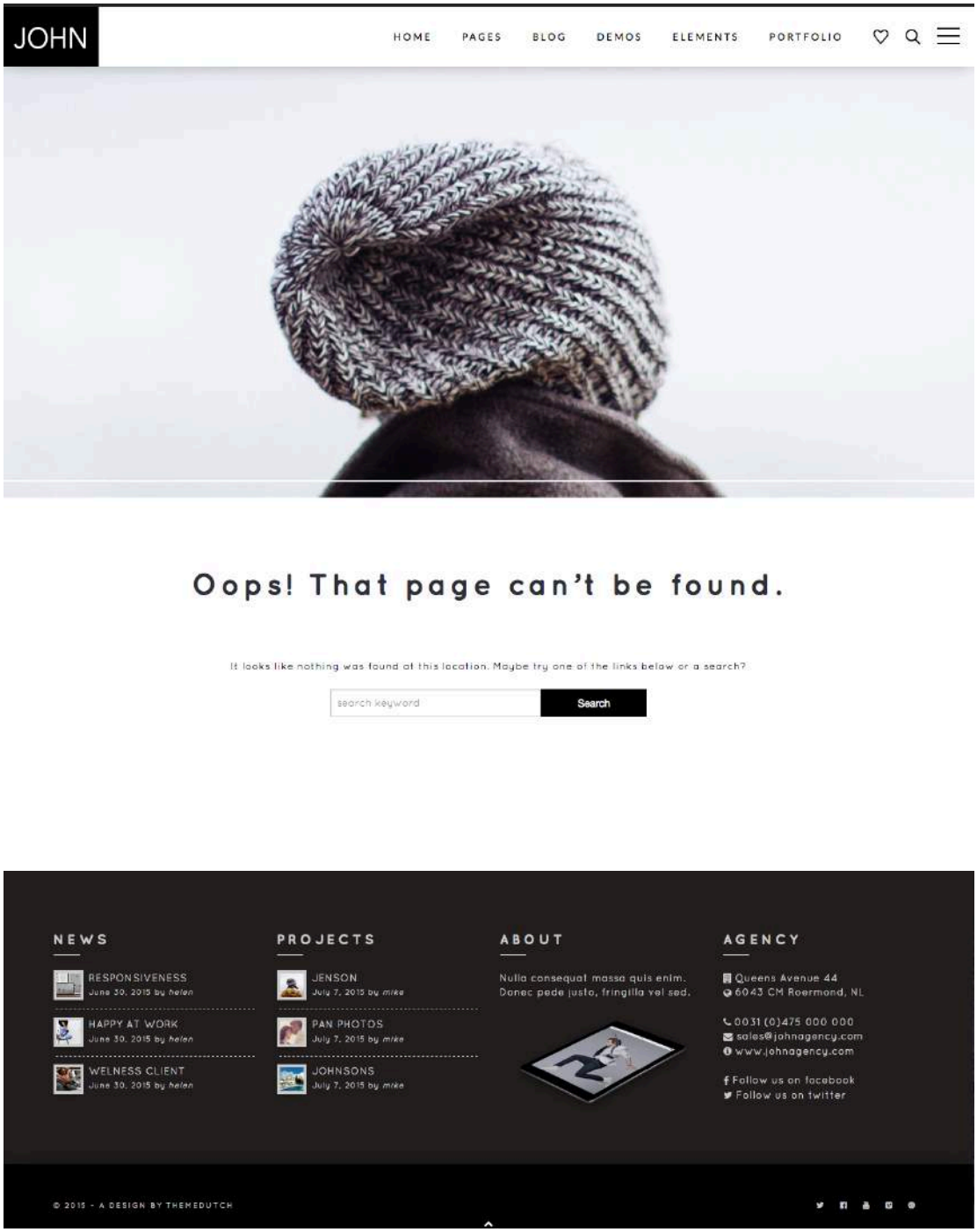
John Hill Options tool ‘Layouts’ provides ultimate freedom in designing your page layouts. Here you’re able to set a ‘’default page layout’ and different layouts for default and other pages, like: Search Page Layout, Archive Page Layout, Author Page Layout and 404 Page Layout. All settings are self-explanatory. Additional info is provided within the boxes.



Example 404 page (no sidebars / including 4 column footer widgets)



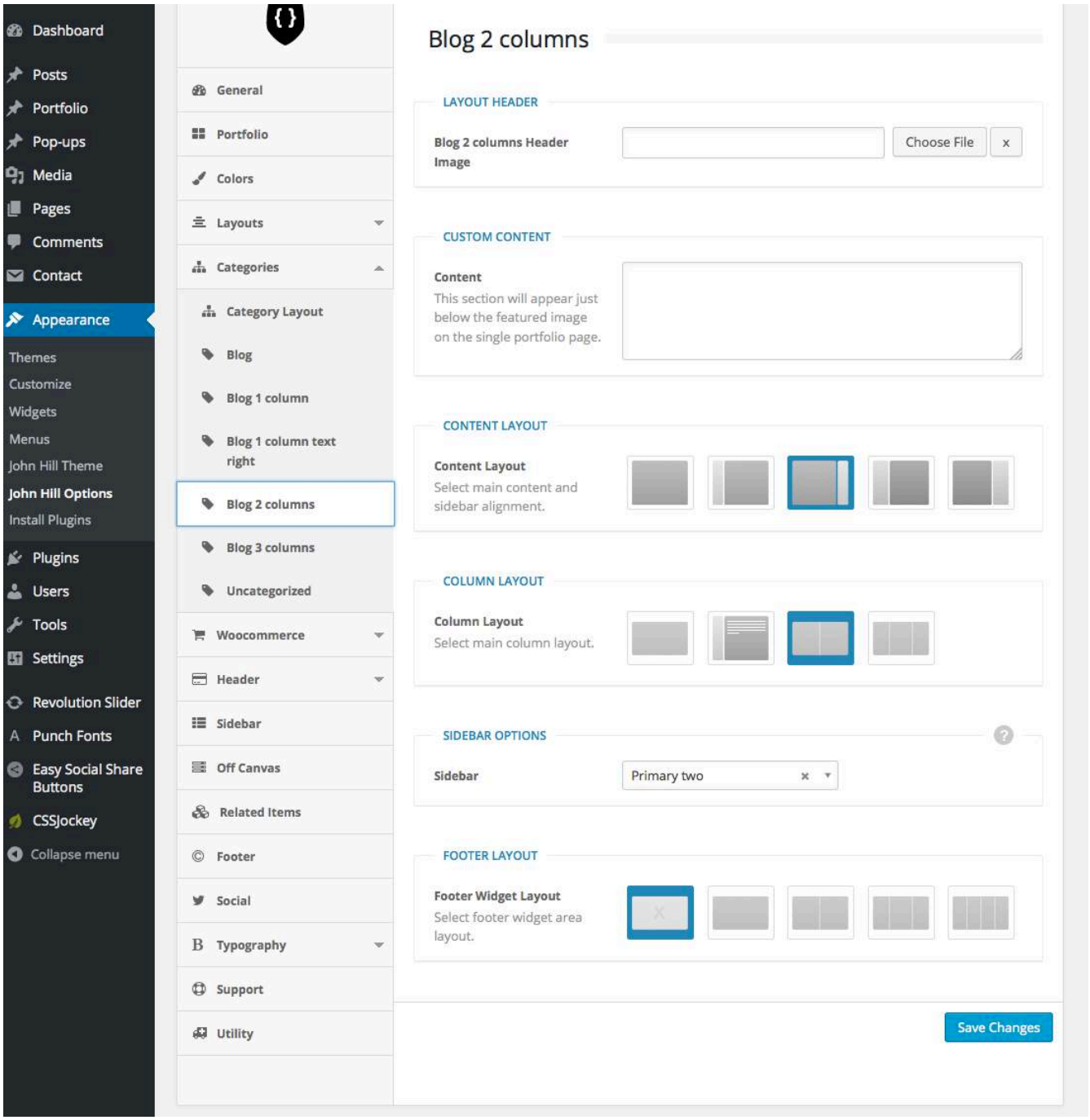
This is how it looks at the front-end of JOHN.



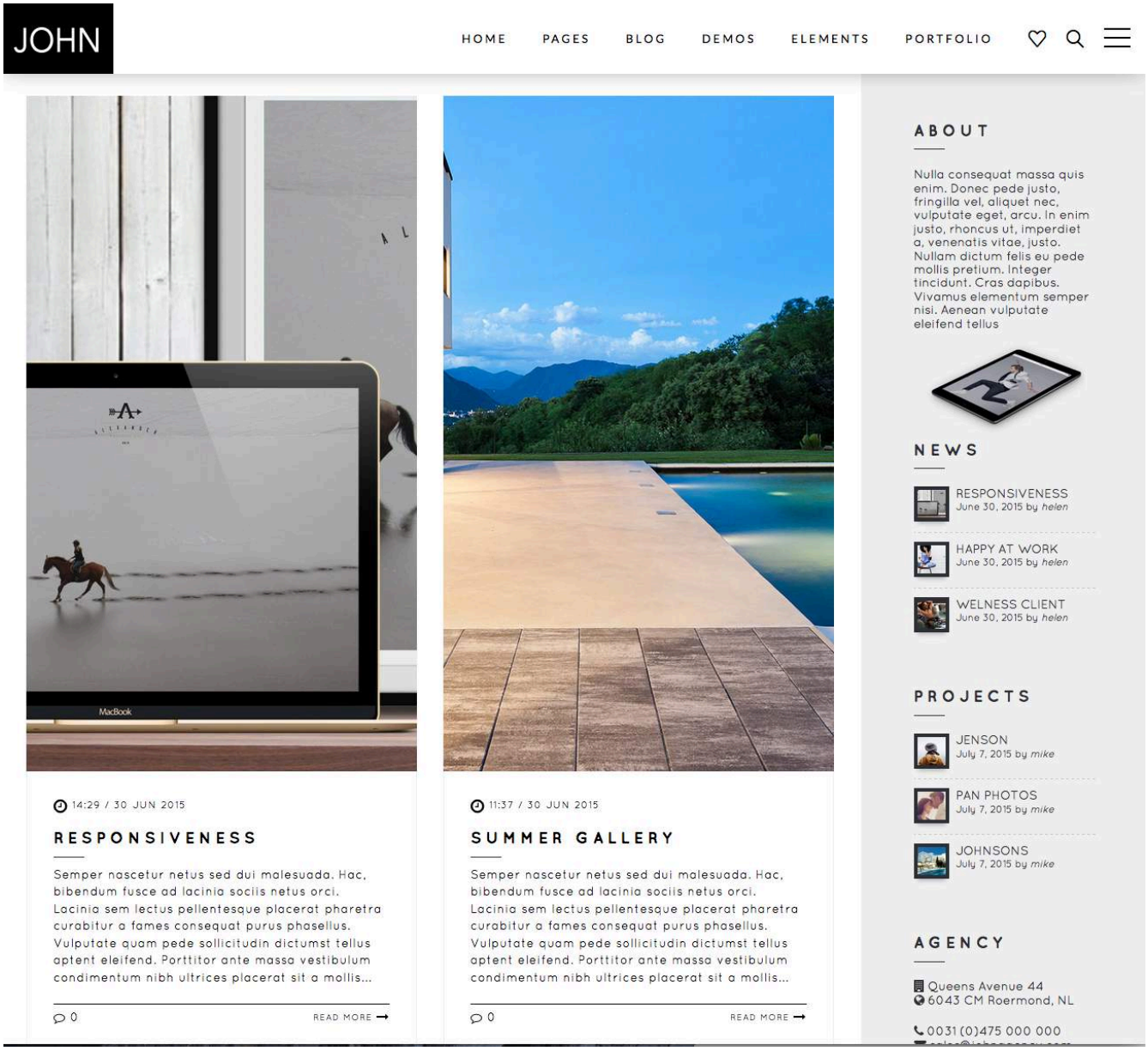
08. John Hill Options – Category Layout

This section allows you to create a special category layout. You're able to set a category header image, and select the layout for your content and footer (widget area). Set the custom layout to ON, and select the specific category. All settings are self-explanatory.

Example: Category Blog 2 columns



This is how it looks like at the front-end



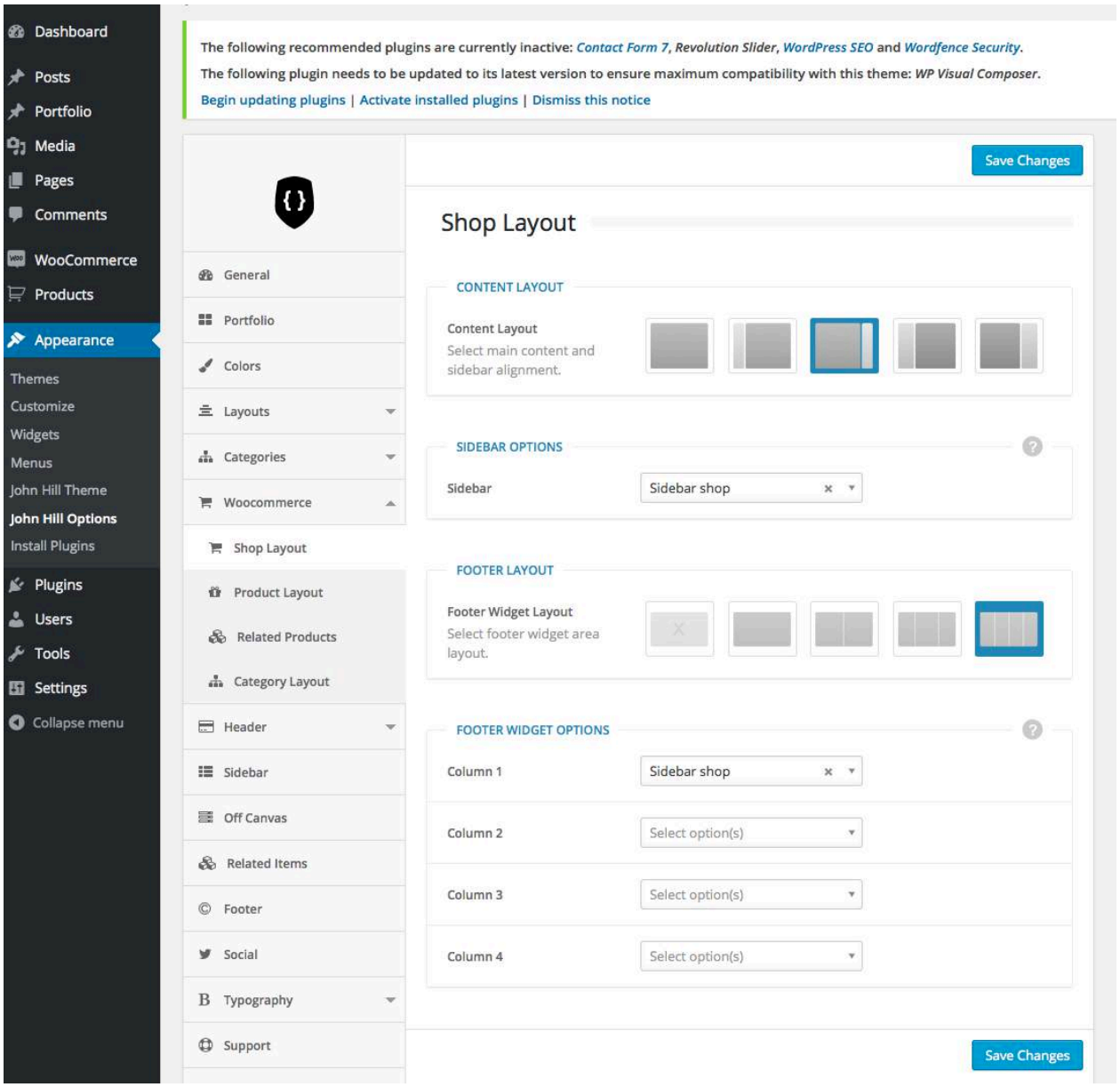
NOTE:

Sidebars (example sidebar: blog) can be created via John Hill Options - Sidebars.
Widgets (for sidebars en footers) can be created created via Appearance / Widgets.

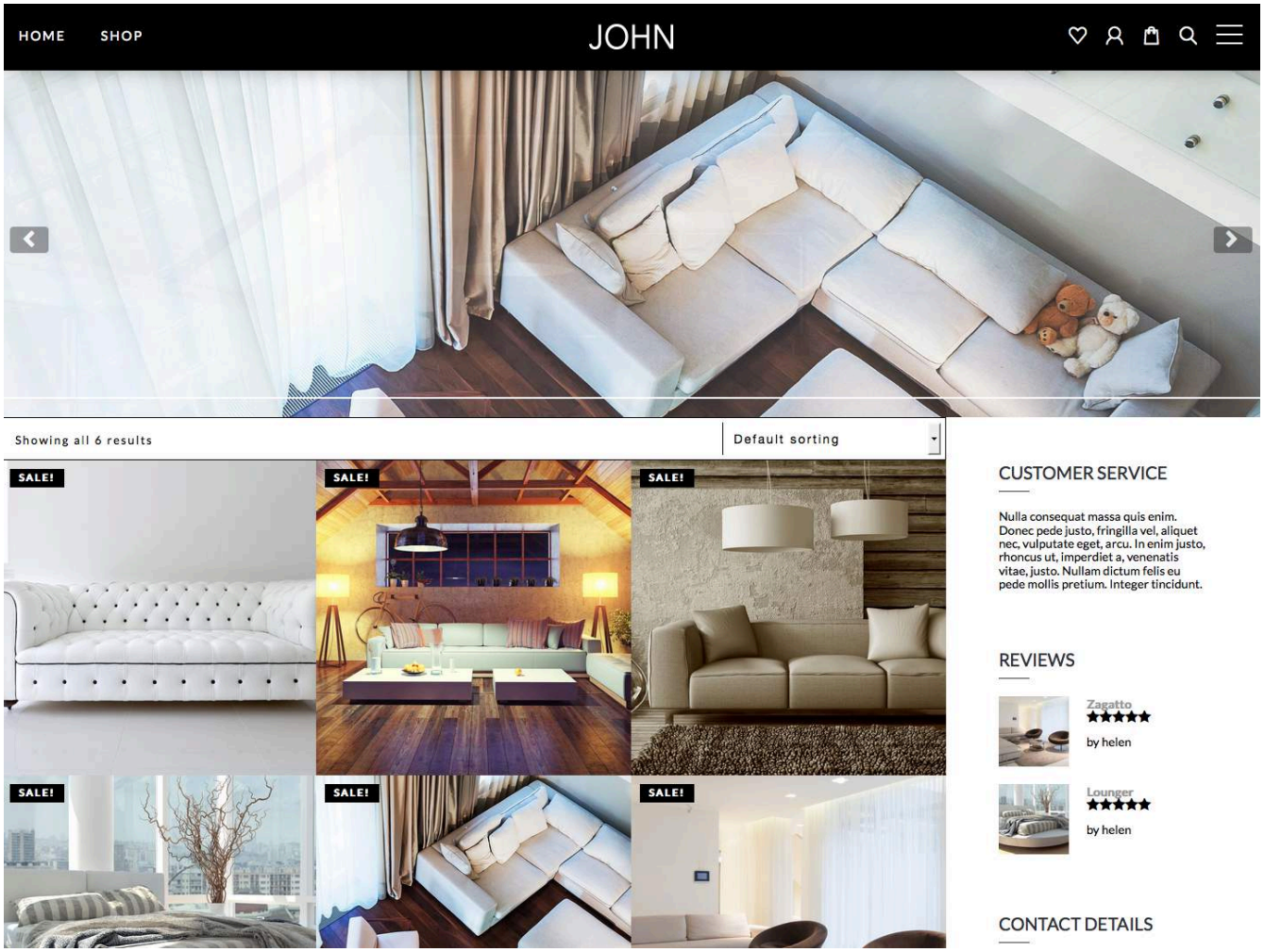
This is an example of a Blog page looks at the front-end of theme John

09. John Hill Options – Woocommerce

All settings are self-explanatory.
This is the shop layout we choose for https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/demo02

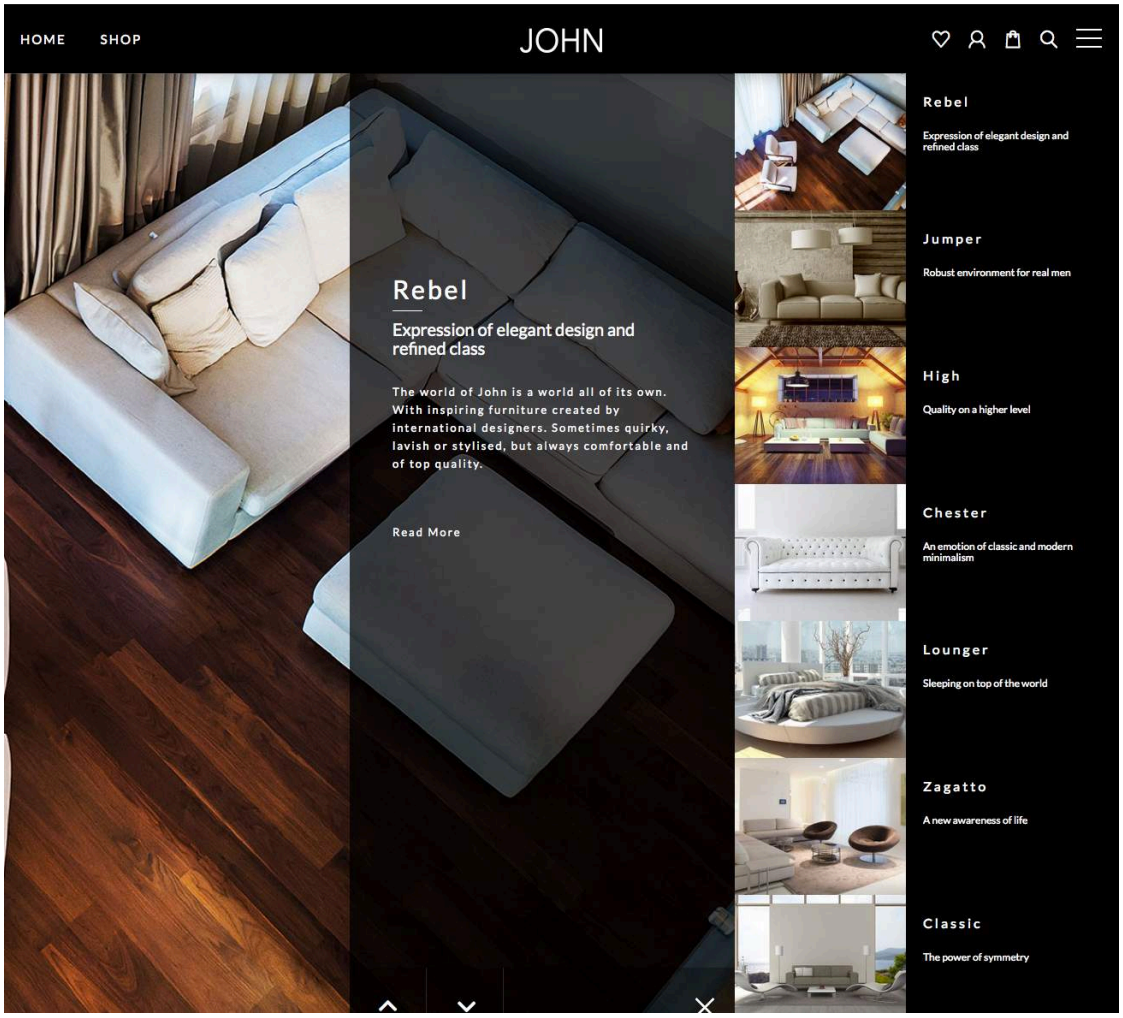


This is how it looks like at the front-end of John:
https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/demo02/shop/

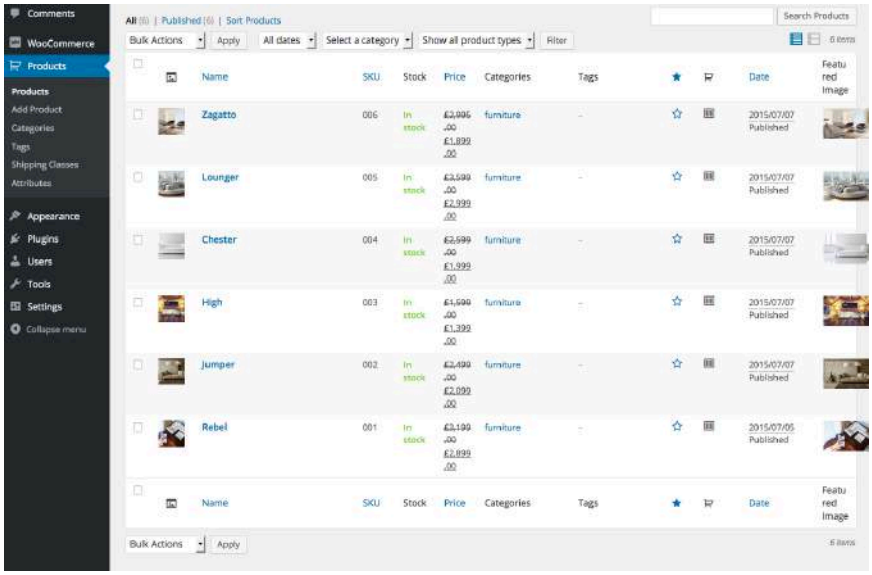


In this demo we've created a home page portfolio where we present all available products in the Woocommerce shop. We created Portfolio category 'furniture'. How to create a home page portfolio you can read in chapter 05 Portfolio.

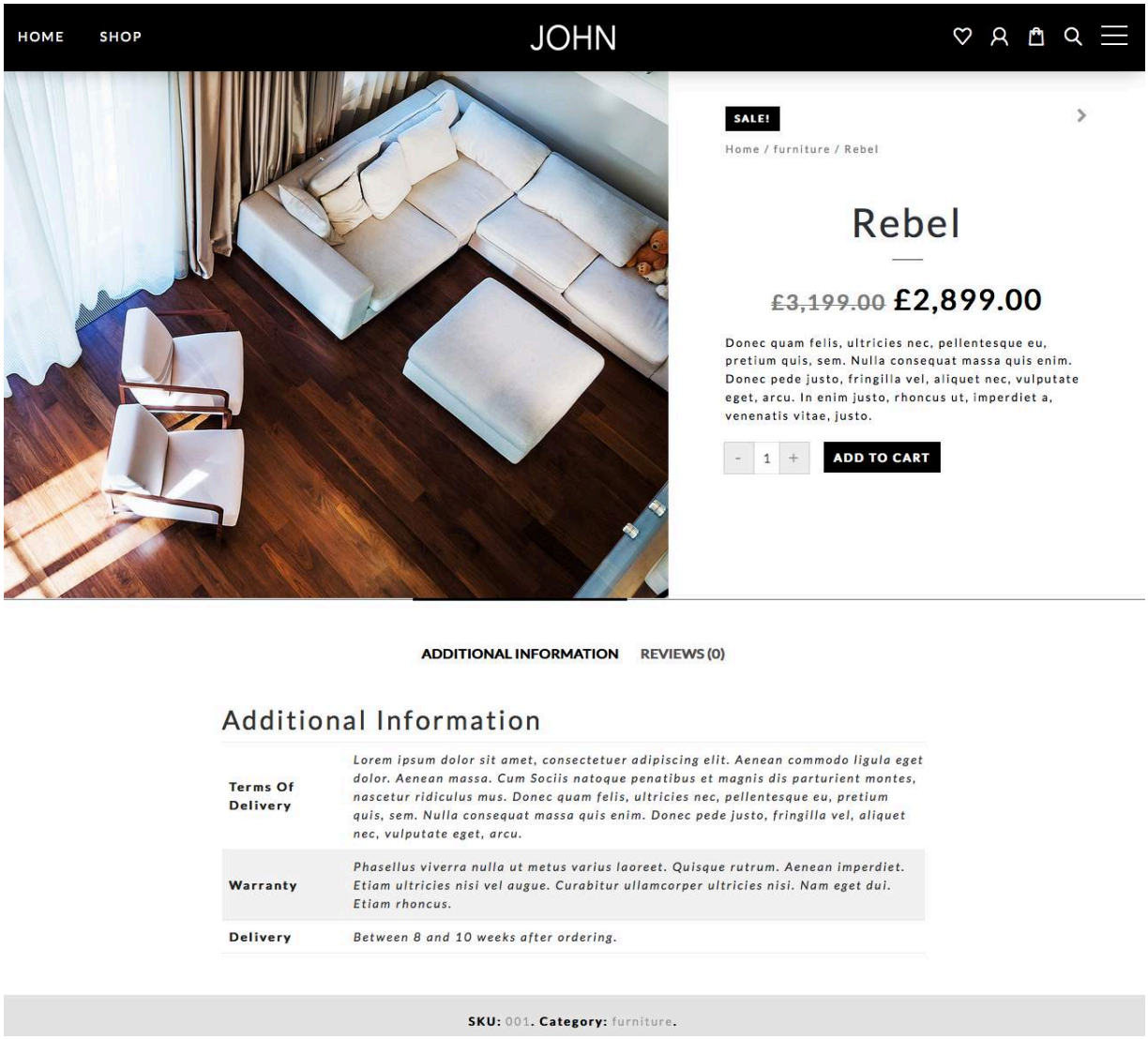
This is an example of how the Woocommerce home page portfolio looks like.



All products we've created via Woocommerce / Products.



This is how a product page looks like at the front-end of John. https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/demo02/product/rebel/



NOTE:

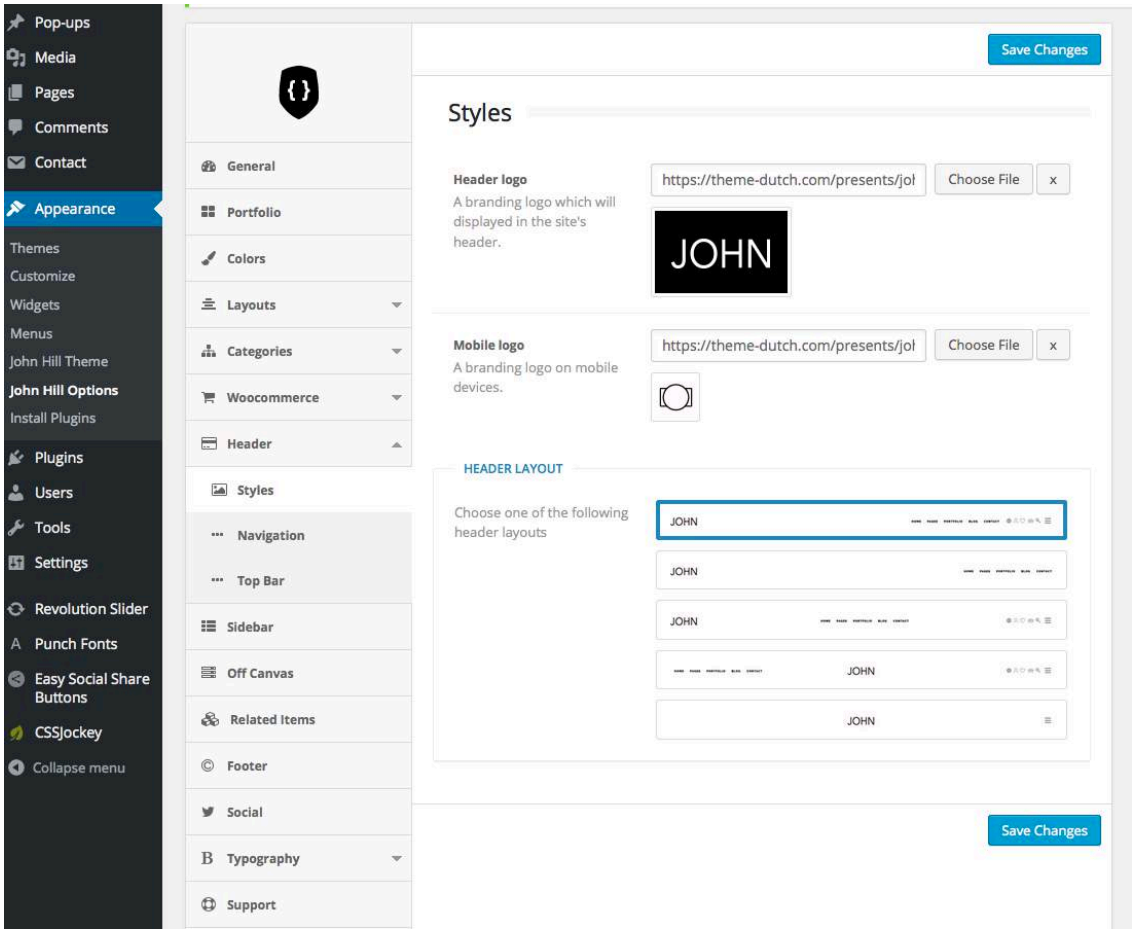
We refer to Woocommerce for support how to transform your website into a eCommerce store.

https://support.woothemes.com/hc/en-us

10. John Hill Options – Header

1. Styles:
In here you can set your header logo, mobile logo, background color, link color and link hover. All settings are self-explanatory.

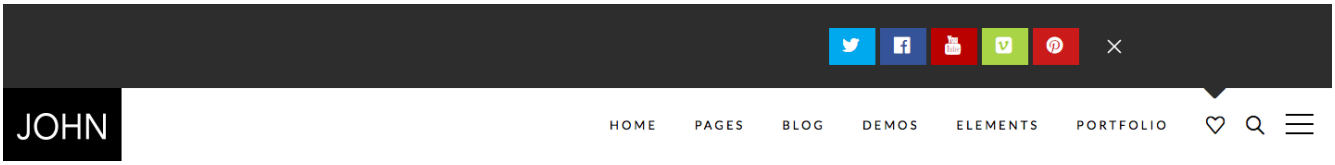
There are several header layouts available in JOHN



2. Navigation:
Here you're able to set the colors for Hamburger, Icons, your Main menus and Sub and Secondary sub menus.

3. Top Bar:
You're able to show a ''SEARCH'' in your top bar menu.
In here you can also set colors for Top Bar, Search button, and Social icons.

This is how it looks at the front-end of theme JOHN.
Social Icons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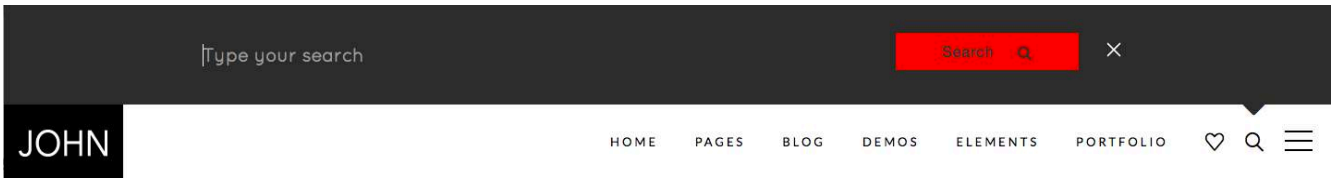
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JOHN
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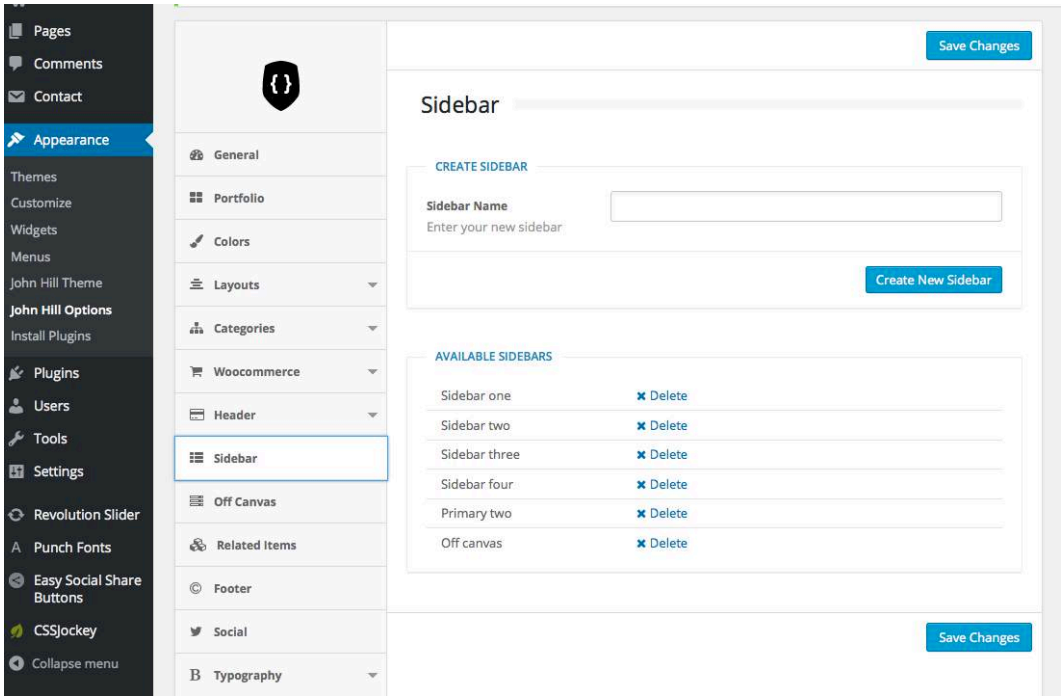
11. John Hill Options – Sidebar

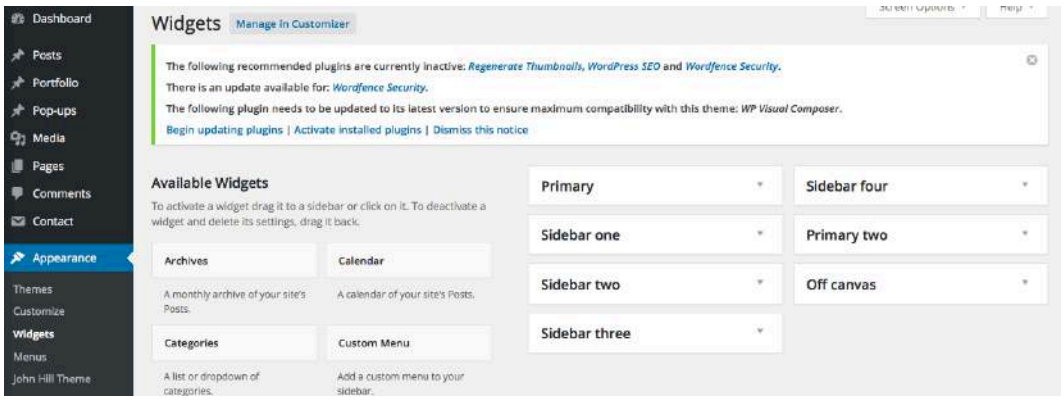
Here you're able to create your sidebar **"names"** (for usage on specific pages or sections). You can fill your sidebars with Widgets later on via Appearance / Widgets. Don't forget to hit changes once you're done.



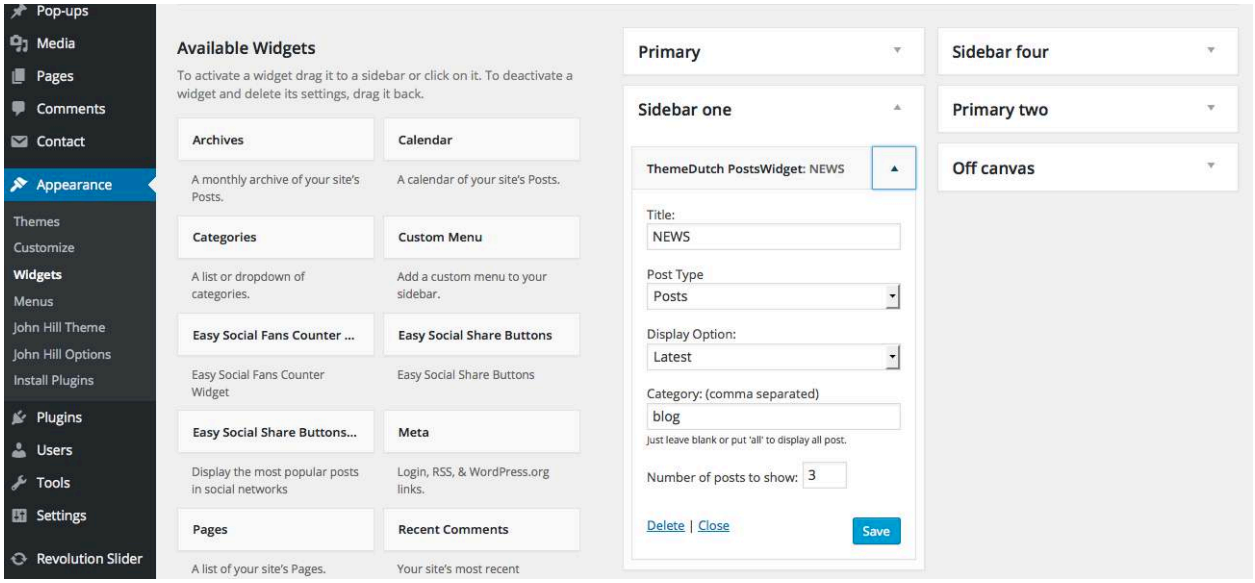
NOTE:

Prevent using punctuations marks when creating a sidebar's title.
Don't use characters like: ", : _ and so on in your sidebars titles. Using these characters in titles can cause issues, that are not caused by the theme, but can be caused by conflicts with Msql and other used programs.

Widgets Sidebars: via Appearance / Widgets



Drag and drop the necessary widgets to your 'assigned' sidebars at the right and fill them with text or any other html content (text, images, video's).



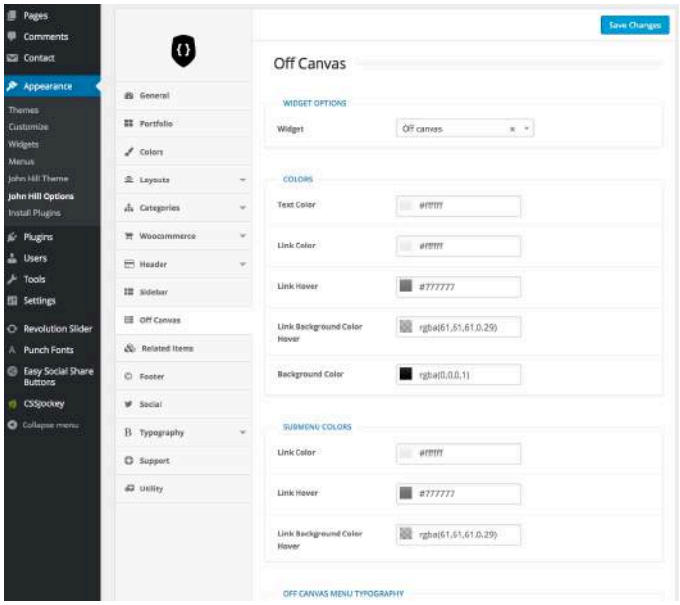
NOTE:

To know more about Wordpress Widgets (how to add and activate widgets, and learn about its use etc.) please read these tutorial pages:
https://codex.wordpress.org/WordPress_Widgets
http://en.support.wordpress.com/widgets

This is how sidebars look like at the front-end of JOHN
https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/pagenotfound

12. John Hill Options – Off Canvas

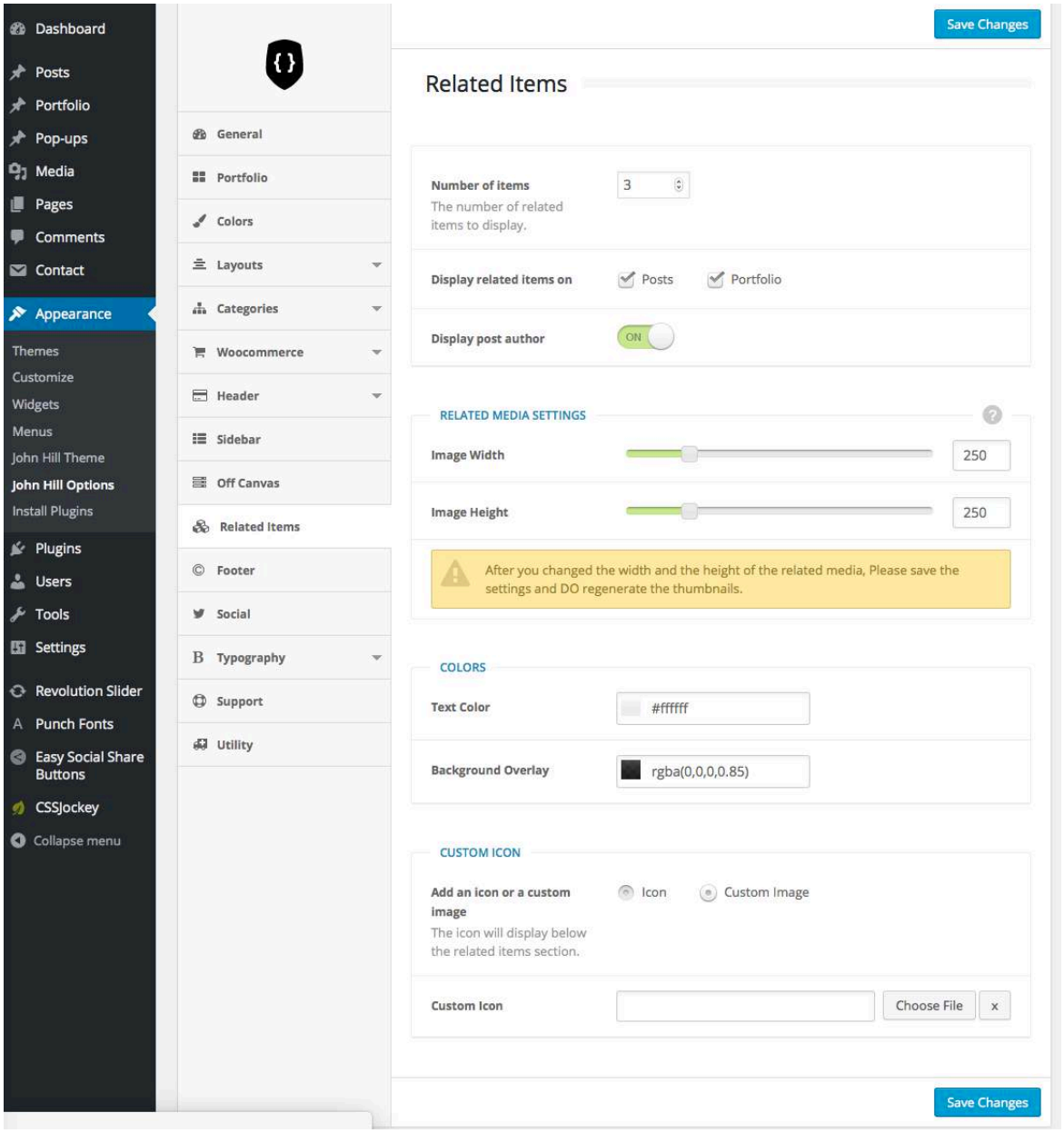
Here you're able to set a widget, text color, link color, link hover color, background color for JOHN's off canvas menus. All settings are self-explanatory.



This is an example of how a Off Canvas menus can look at the front-end of theme JOHN.

13. John Hill Options – Related Items

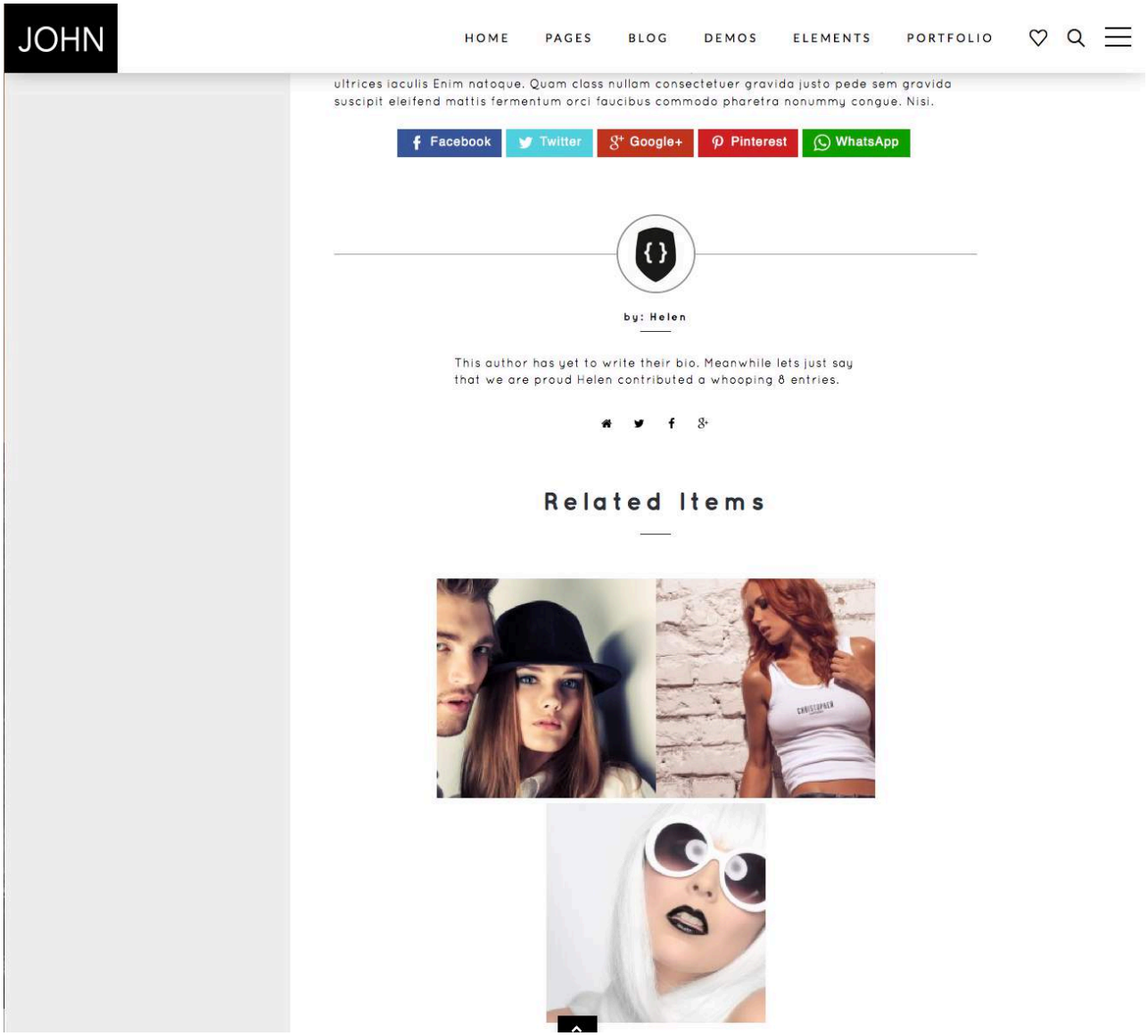
This section allows you to set related items on Posts and Portfolios. All settings are self-explanatory.



This is how it looks like on the front-end of a portfolio page or blog page.

https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/blog/fun-factor

Scroll down on the actual (post) page to see it on our preview website.


JOHN
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PAGES
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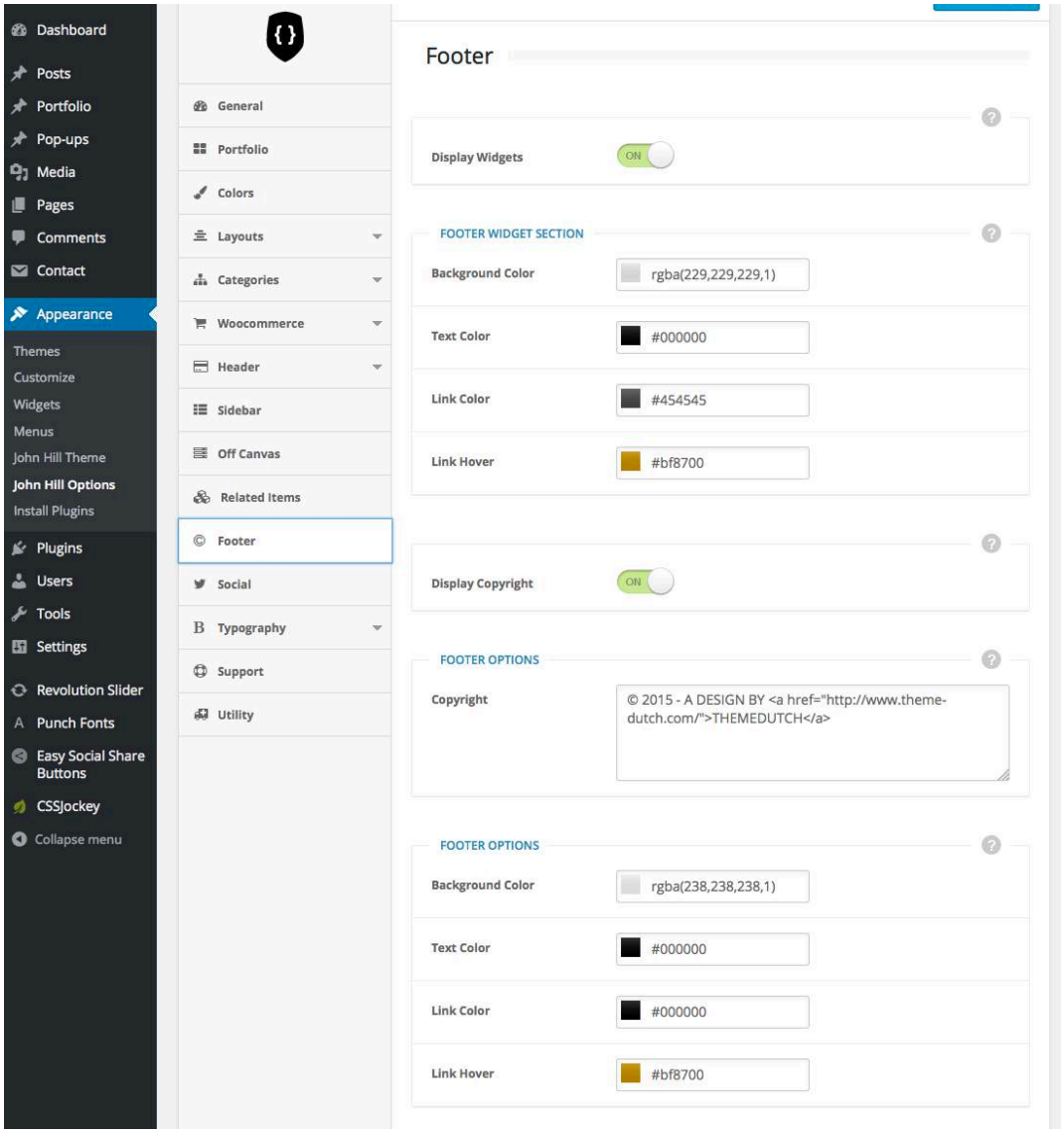
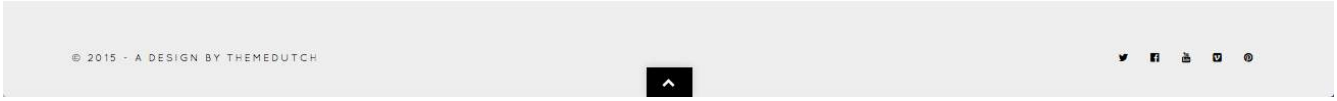
Facebook
Twitter
Google+
Pinterest
WhatsApp
by: Helen
This author has yet to write their bio. Meanwhile lets just say that we are proud Helen contributed a whooping 8 entries.
Related Items

14. John Hill Options – Footer

Use this tab to define all your footer settings. All settings are self-explanatory.



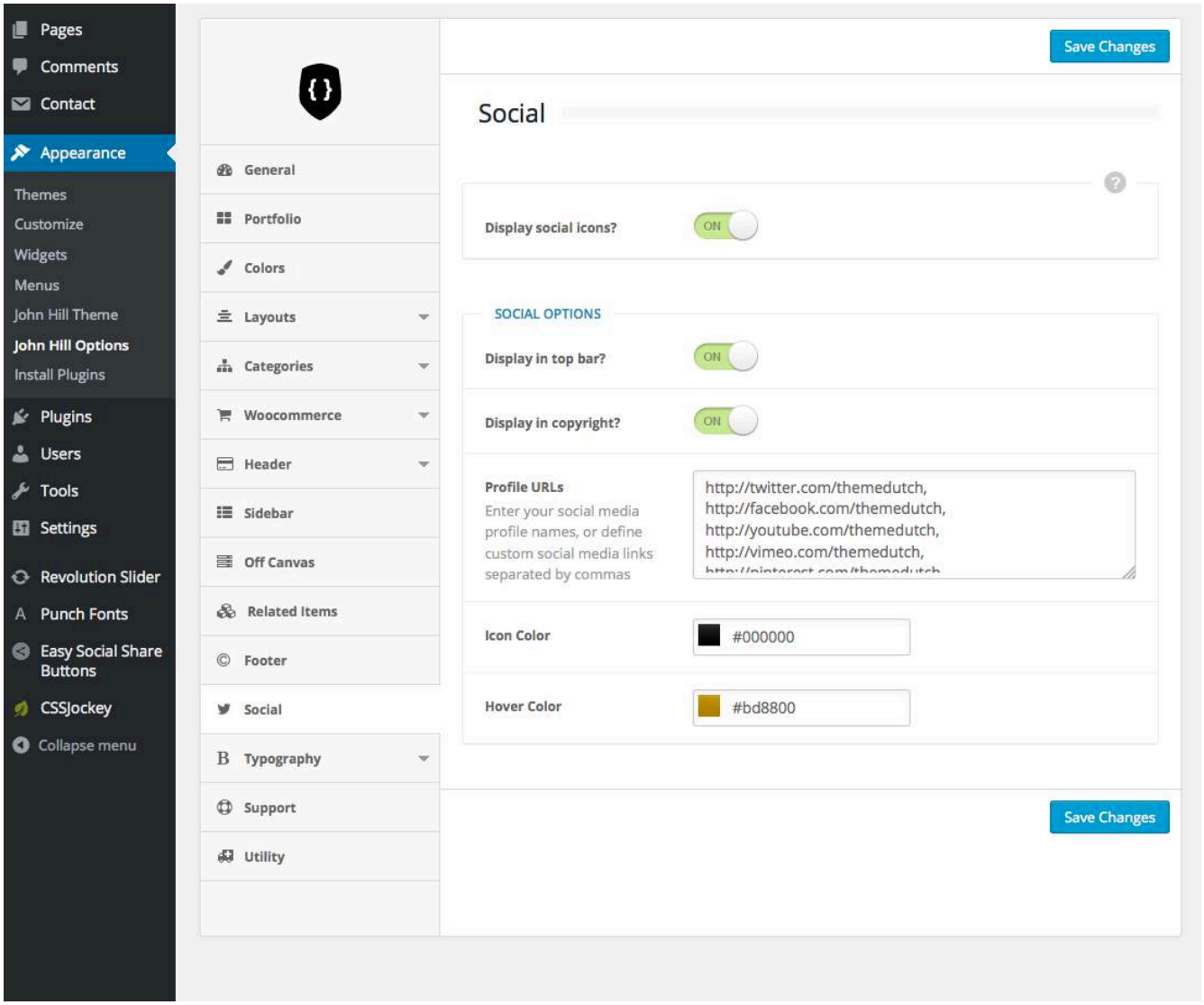
This is how it looks at the front-end of theme JOHN.



15. John Hill Options - Social

In here you can make use of social options, display social icons, and set the colors.

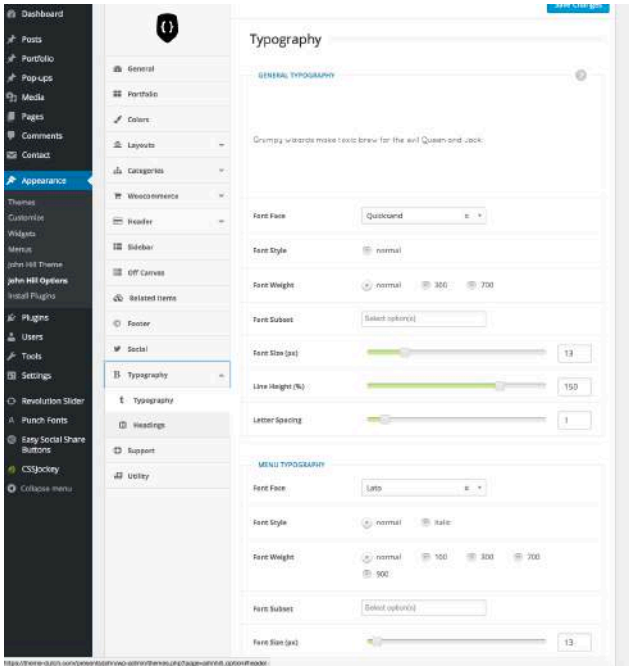
All used social icons will appear in your website's Top Bar and / or in copyright section. All settings are self-explanatory.

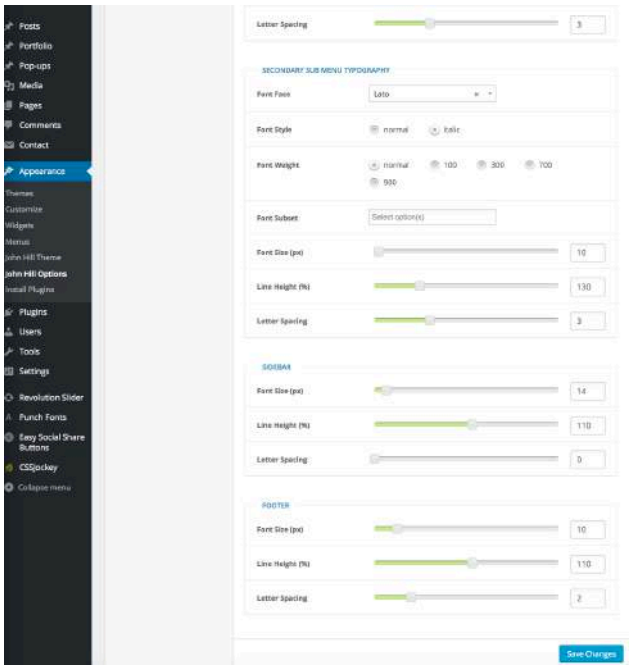


16. John Hill Options - Typography

In here you'll find all options for your websites' typography. (Google fonts): Font face, font style, font weight, font subset, font size, line height and letter spacing.

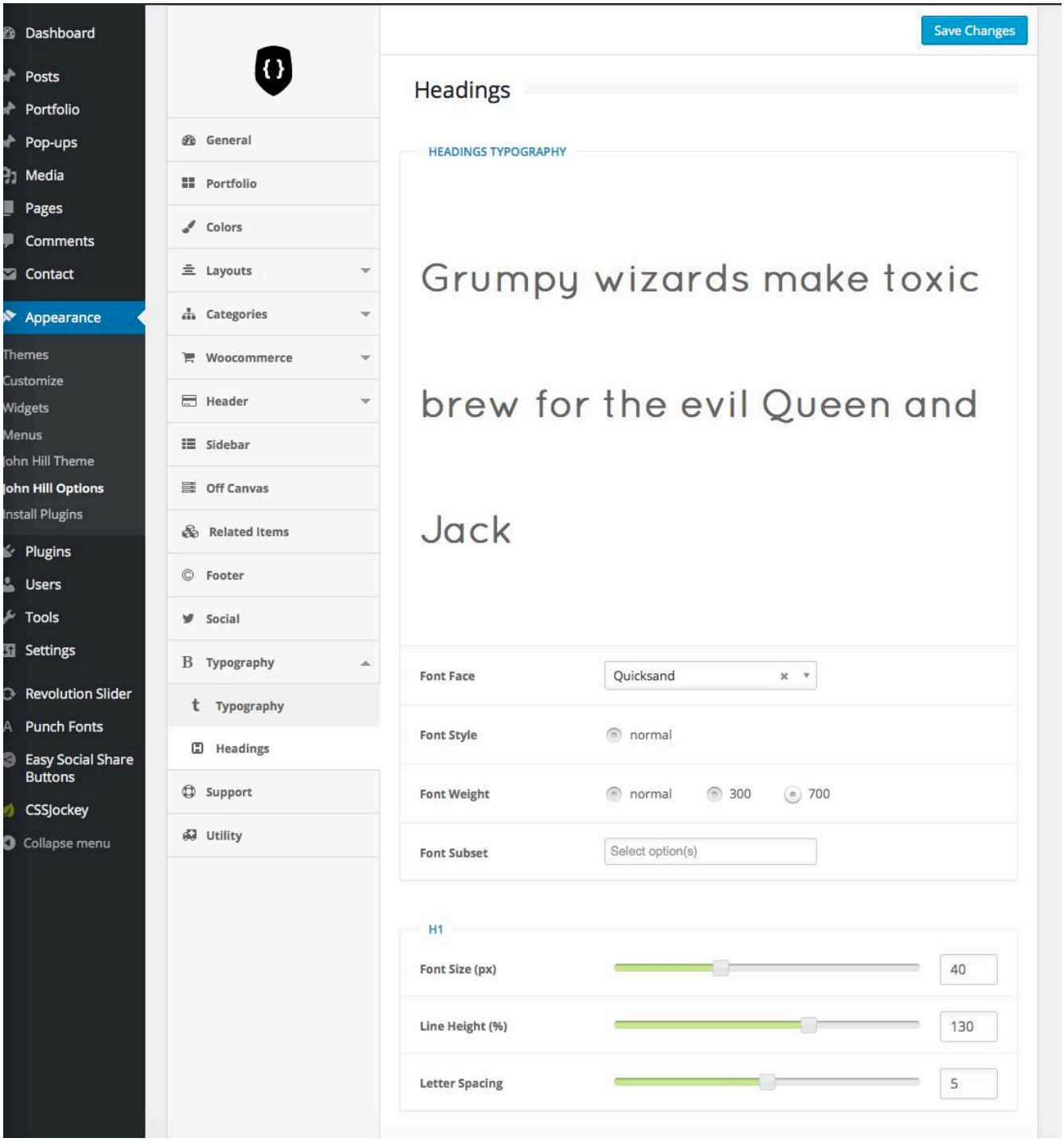
You're able to select different fonts for 1. Menu, 2. Sub Menu, 3. Secondary Sub Menu, 4. Sidebar, and 5. Footer.
All settings are self-explanatory.





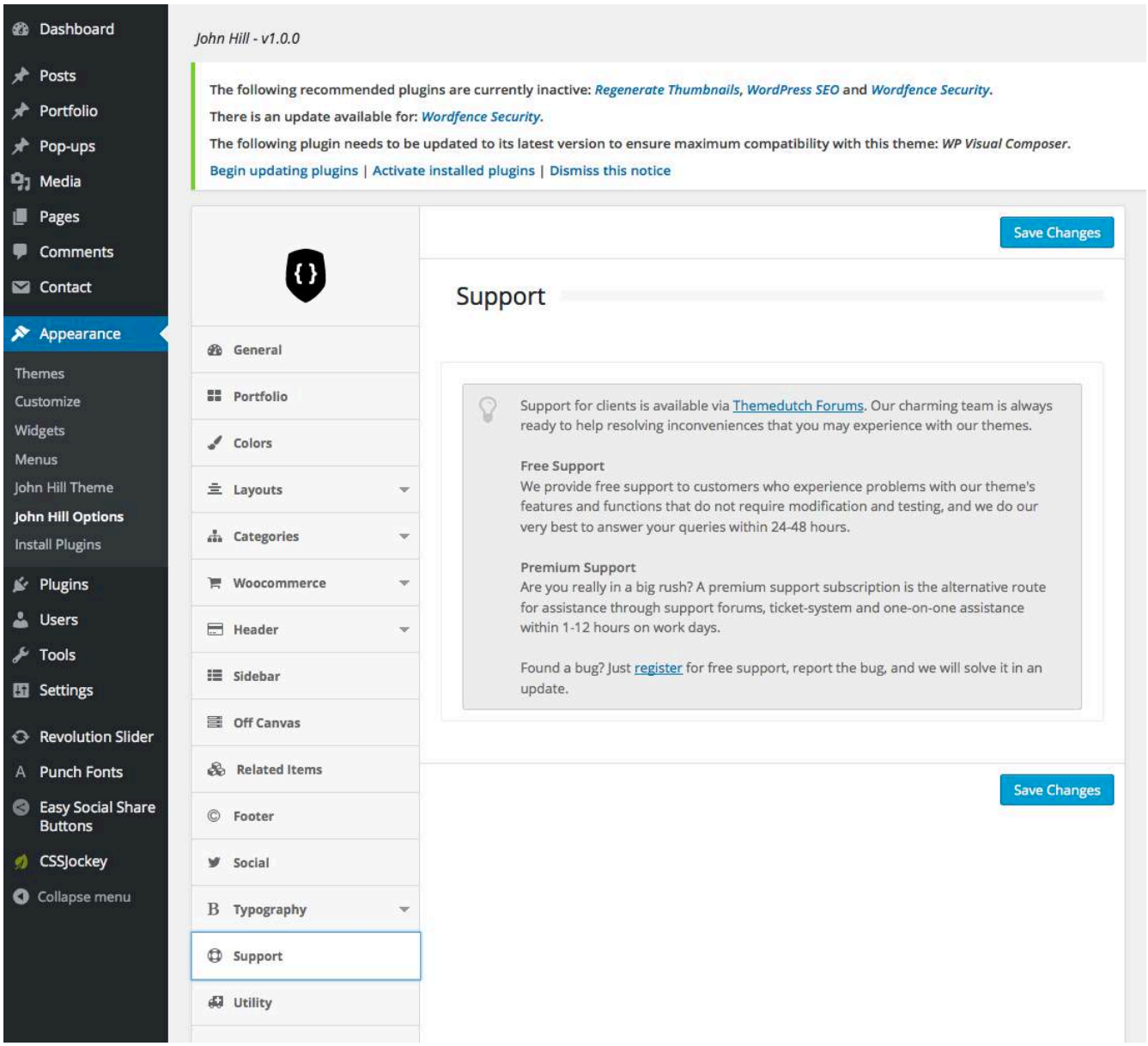
Headings

In here you can set the font face, style, weight, size etc. for all headings. All settings are self-explanatory.



17. John Hill Options – Support

We provide free support through our forums. Please read this before you ask for support.



18. John Hill Options – Utility (import dummy content)

The tab **‘’Utility’’** within **John Hill Options** is created for importing Dummy Content, and/or export your JOHN theme options from file, text or URL.

Import Dummy content.

Hit the button ‘Install Dummy Content’ if you would like to install the official JOHN preview website’s content.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 1

Importing dummy content ‘may take some time. Installing dummy content will not cause problems If you have ‘’good quality hosting’’. In some cases the dummy content will not work, for example If you really have bad hosting.

(You will also need to import the Revolution Slider demo content if you want to make use of the Revolution Sliders) See the JOHN Unzip me please file.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 2

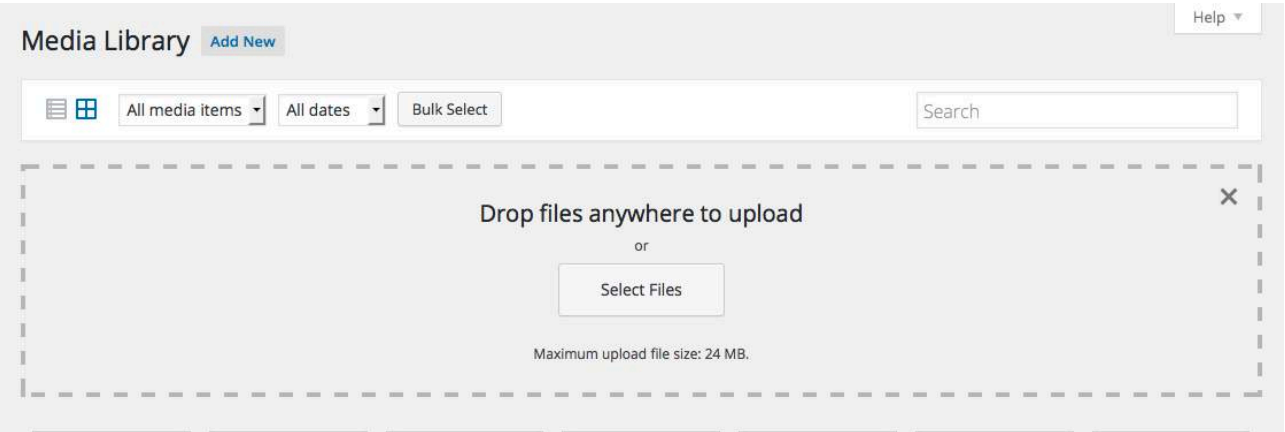
1. After installing ‘dummy content’ you need to assign menus to the main and footer areas. Set your home page via Settings / Reading.

2. Sidebars and Widgets are not included in the dummy content. These you’ll have to create yourself. You can read in the manual how to create Sidebars and Widgets.

3. When installing all Plugins that come with the theme, insure that no other caching Plugins are installed/activated.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 3

Before installing ‘dummy content’ you need to check if your Media Library has a Maximum Upload file size of at least: 64 MB. If this not the case for example only 8 MB, the dummy content will not work!



How to increase the Maximum Upload file size?

add this to top of wp-config.php

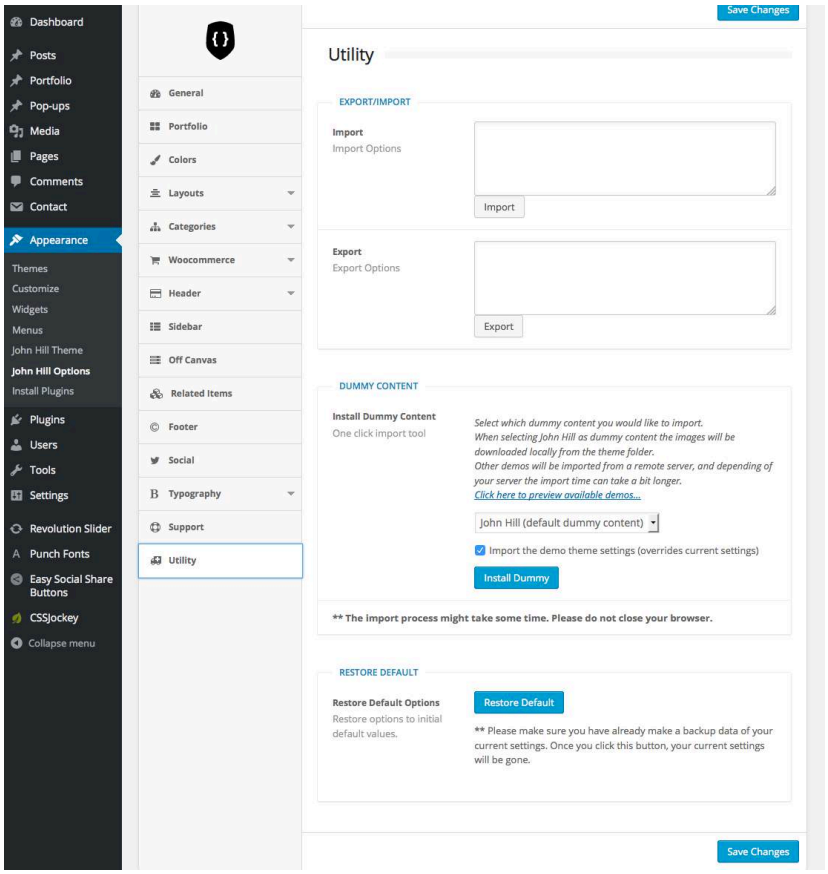
```
define('WP_MEMORY_LIMIT', '64M');
```

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 4

All the content from the John Main Demo is included in you're theme files. This is the best way for having a flawless installation. We have not included the other demos, and when you install one of the other demos, then the content and images will be downloaded direct from our server. This may take some time, despite we have created the other demos as small as possible.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: 5

We've made sure that our demo installer will work on most hosting platforms. We are not responsible for installation problems caused by you're server or settings thoug. It is a time consuming process if we need to check you're server settings and sometimes we even need to discuss this with the hosting provider. Therefore we offer Installation services that are avaible via our website.



NOTE:

For those who don’t feel comfortable with databases, we offer Installation Packages via our website. www.theme-dutch.com.

Important! All used photo material is copyright protected.

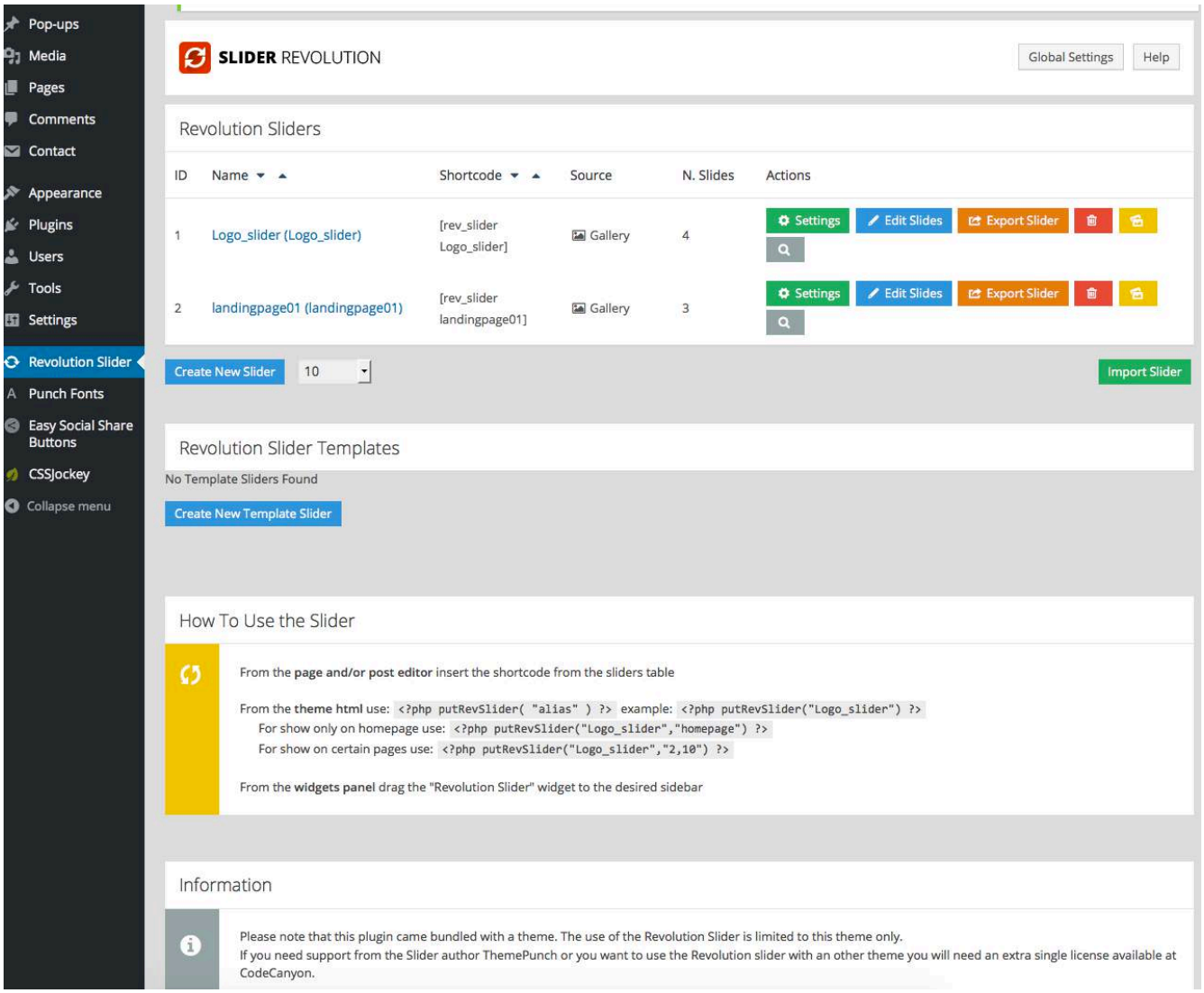
The images used in our preview website are intended for example purposes only. As they’re copyright protected, you need to remove them from your media section, before your website goes online. We thank you for your understanding.

19. The Revolution Slider (Revolution Slider plugin)

You're able to install/activate this powerful plugin via your Dashboard.

NOTE:

For support on Slider Revolution please 'check' the help button on the top right of the Revolution slider tab.



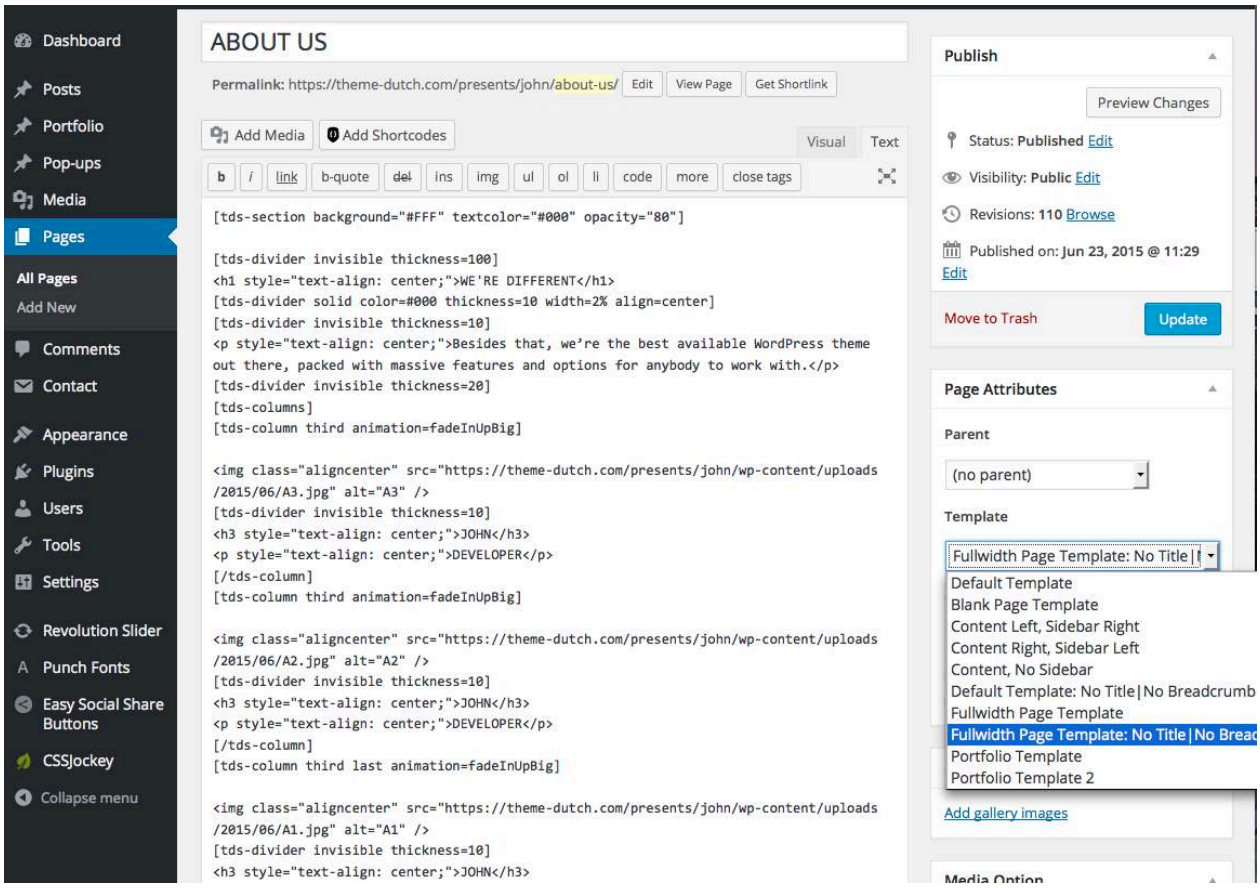
20. Set up Page and Post options

JOHN ‘ABOUT US’ page example

https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/about-us/

On your right hand beneath **Page Attributes** you have options to select your desired template into: default, blank full width and more.. This option is available on pages, not on post pages though.

You can create different layouts for each page. We selected ‘Fullwidth Page Template: No Title | No Breadcrumbs

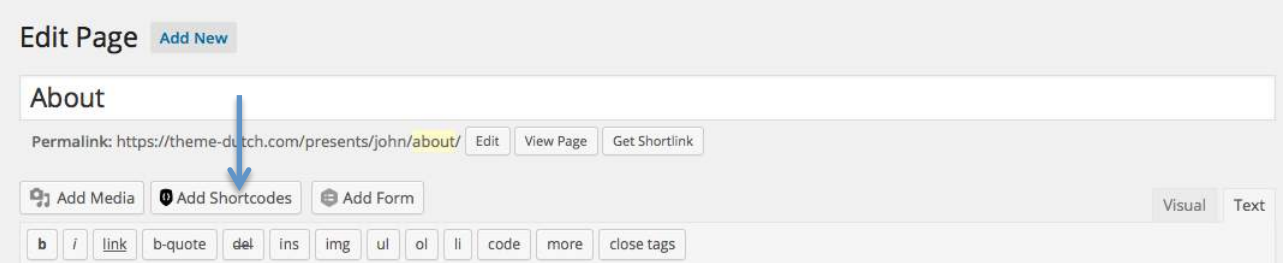


You can add your text content and images via the visual editor or text editor.

NOTE:

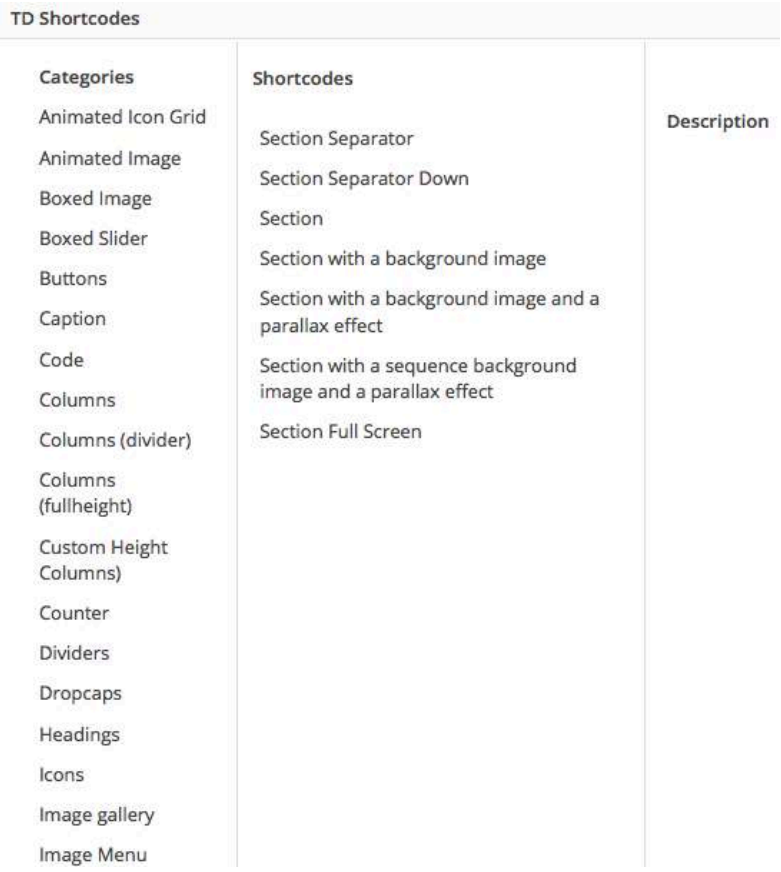
If you want creating full width pages including text content within the 1140 grid, make sure you create a section in which you add your content.

There are several options for content within a section. You’re able to create sections on a full width template, blank page template and portfolio templates.



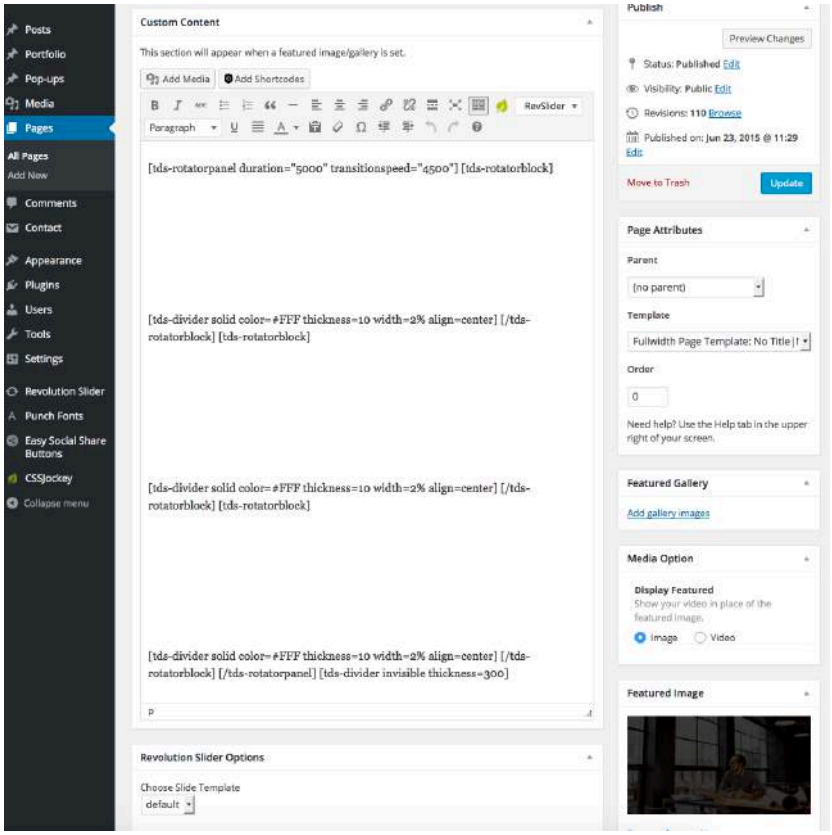
At the top of every page and post you'll find two tabs: **Add Media** and **Add Shortcodes**. Via Add Media you're able to insert your favorite images from your Media Library into your posts and pages. Via Add Shortcodes you're able to insert TD-shortcodes (like columns, buttons, dividers, galleries and much more), which you can use to design your layout and spice up your pages

This is an example of all available section shortcodes in JOHN



Custom Content

In here you can add custom content (via your Visual Editor, within preferred shortcodes) that will appear on your featured image (header) at the front-end.


Posts
Portfolio
Pop-ups
Media
Pages
All Pages
Add New
Comments
Contact
Appearance
Plugins
Users
Tools
Settings
Revolution Slider
Punch Fonts
Easy Social Share Buttons
CSSJockey
Collapse menu
Custom Content
This section will appear when a featured image/gallery is set.
Add Media
Add Shortcodes
RevSlider
Paragraph
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Add gallery images
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Show your video in place of the featured image.
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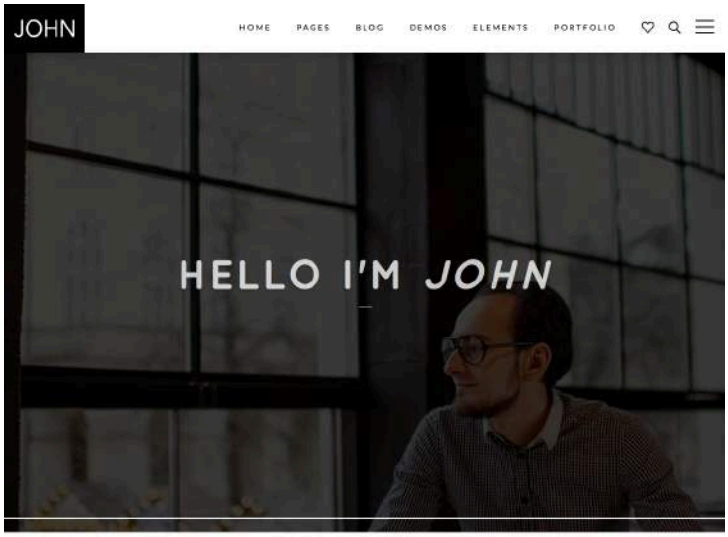
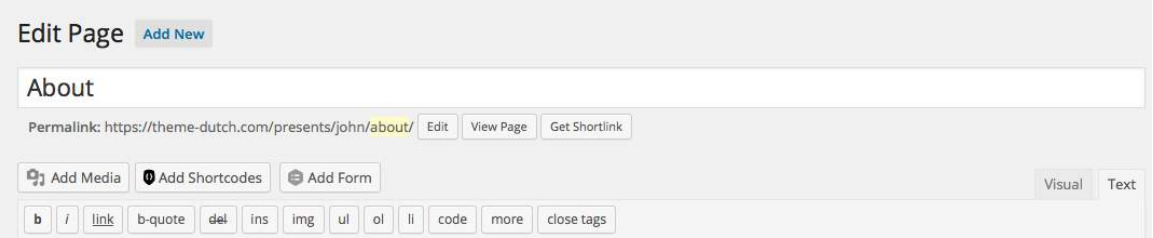

JOHN
HOME
PAGES
BLOG
DEMOS
ELEMENTS
PORTFOLIO
HELLO I'M JOHN

21. How to use TD-shortcodes (plugin)



On the icon bar above the content block of every page or post, you'll find the TD short code manager. (**Regulated via the TD-shortcode Plugin**)

The TD-shortcode manager provides lots of categories and options to make us of shortcodes to spice up your pages and posts via your **text editor**.

Example Buttons: ELEMENTS: https://theme-dutch.com/presents/john/buttons/

[tds-buttontransparent medium link="http://theme-dutch.com/" textcolor="#ffffff" textcolorhover="#000000" buttoncolor="#000000" buttoncolorhover="#FFF" bordercolor="#FFF" bordersize="1px" bgcolortransparency="0" bgcolorhovertransparency="100" newwindow="true"]Button text[/tds-buttontransparent]

NOTE:
Basically all TD-shortcodes work the same, and 'live example' short codes you'll find on JOHN's Preview website. Install TD-shortcode plugin and 'dummy content' to see how most TD-Shortcodes are used in the backend.
For more examples of TD-shortcodes visit: http://theme-dutch.com/demo/
Select other preview websites of Theme Dutch themes to see how they can be used.

22. How to make your website multilingual

JOHN is WPML-ready. **Upload, install and activate the (WPML plugin).**

Then follow the instructions via your Wordpress admin.

Need support to set up your own WPML site? Visit: http://wpml.org/documentation/ and http://wpml.org/forums/forum/english-support/

23. How to translate your website

Translation Ready

English, Dutch, French, German or Spanish? Whatever your language is, we've got you covered. That's because we thought about the smallest details when we created JOHN. This theme's content can be translated to any major language you want.

We understand our theme will be sold worldwide. You can translate by using the pot file. Just follow the following steps:

1) Download Poedit from http://www.poedit.net/
2) Install poedit on your computer
3) Open poedit
4) Choose file > new catalogue from POT-file
5) Search your theme folder of JOHN > go to languages > john.pot
6) Press ok
7) Poedit will ask you where to save the .po and .mo files. Choose the same folder. Name the files your language zone (example: nl-NL for the Netherlands)
8) Translate all the options (not all needed)
9) Upload the .mo and .po file to the languages folder on your website.
10) Change you wp-config-file with your language-code

24. Theme Dutch Support

If you need support, have suggestions, concerns or you just want to ask a question, please go http://theme-dutch.com/ and register your account. Don't forget to fill out the purchase code or Transaction ID of your Theme Dutch product, which you've received via our marketplace partner after buying our theme. (**We will verify your purchase before we provide support).** After registering you'll receive an e-mail notification with username and password. Use these to login to your account and to be able posting your queries via http://theme-dutch.com.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: PLEASE READ OUR BASIC FORUM RULES FIRST
Login in, and then you're able to access our FREE support forum for JOHN.

We DO NOT provide support via e-mail – only through our 'free' support forum and/or 'premium support forum including ticket system'.

If you have 'sales related' questions about customization jobs, installation programs or otherwise, you're welcome to send an email to sales@theme-dutch.com.

Our support team's goal is to handle every request voluntarily, quickly and correctly. During office hours we will try to answer your queries immediately. However, most of the time, questions are answered within 24-48 hours on Monday to Friday.

25. Services

Our team of web designers and web developers are standby if you want to make adjustments to your website. Check our website for WordPress **Installation plans** and **Customization jobs**. If you need additional info you also can contact us via the contact form on our website.

Wordpress installation plans:

For more detailed information please visit: http://theme-dutch.com

Customization plans:

For more detailed information please visit: http://theme-dutch.com

26. Warranty

Upon purchase of the theme, JOHN will be given to you as a download file. We guarantee a fully functional JOHN theme if you follow our advice, guidelines and installation instructions.
Updates for JOHN we announce via www.facebook/themedutch and https://twitter.com/themedutch
You also can opt for receiving messages regarding updates via your marketplace profile page though.

27. Contacting Theme Dutch

Theme Dutch Limited is based in the Netherlands. Our office address is:
Theme Dutch Ltd.
Koningin Regentesselaan 44
6043 CM Roermond
The Netherlands
www.theme-dutch.com

28. How to set up Permalinks

Editing your WordPress Permalinks is good for SEO purposes. You can make the URL of your website more readable for your visitors. Tweaking your permalinks can also give you an advantage to search engines such as Google, Bing and Yahoo. This way your content can be easily found and indexed.

For more information and details on how to customize your permalinks, please visit:

http://codex.wordpress.org/Using_Permalinks

29. Wordpress information

For all WordPress-related questions, inquiries and concerns (such as; how to create pages or posts, how to disable comments etc.), please visit:

www.wordpress.org