

CHOCO | MULTIPURPOSE WP THEME

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1.0 INSTALLATION:

Before Installing WordPress theme on your server, You should have the [latest version](#)(>3.9) of WordPress. Once you complete the WordPress installation, just follow the following steps to install the WordPress theme.

There are two methods to install the WordPress theme on your server.

✓ FTP Method :

To install the WordPress theme via ftp server, you should open the hosting server via cPanel or FTP client.

Now extract the **choco.zip** folder from the download package at themeforest. And go to the WordPress directory (wp-content/themes) then paste choco folder.

✓ Admin Panel Upload :

To install WordPress theme via this method, Just Login to your WordPress site & go to **Themes (under appearance)**, select **Add New** at the top of the panel. Now locate the **choco.zip** folder from the downloaded package. Now, choco theme will be installed automatically then click activate.

2.0 PLUGIN SETUP

Choco theme comes with 5 pre-packaged plugin. To install these plugins go to **Appearance -> install plugins**. Install the plugins one by one & activate them.

AGNI CHOCO:

Agni Choco plugin bring the custom posttype such as portfolio, agni slider, home slider, team, client, testimonials to the theme. This plugin only works with choco theme & its child themes. This plugin is mandatory for Choco theme.

Note: you can see more details about posttype on upcoming topics.

VISUAL COMPOSER:

Choco theme comes with visual composer. Visual composer is used to build the page without touching single line of code. It has two different UI, one is Backend editor & another is frontend editor. All the

shortcode* elements are attached with visual composer. And you can setup the visual composer plugin as per your wish via visual composer settings (under settings). Here you can disable/enable content type (posttype) to show. It also is a mandatory plugin for theme to use shortcode*.

* [shortcode](#) is a simple set of functions for creating macro codes to use in post/page content. It should be start with [and end with]. For ex. [\[video\]](#).

CONTACT FORM 7:

Contact Form 7 plugin is mandatory to create (setup) a contact form. It allows you to send & receive the feedback & queries with simple protection. This plugin includes text fields, submit button, textareas and more.

Contact Form 7 is one of the best plugins for contact forms.

REVOLUTION SLIDER:

This is an additional feature for this theme. You can create an n number of slider even without this plugin (using Agni Slider, Home Slider). But this plugin has a huge amount of customizability options. Everyone should taste the feature.

To know more about revolution slider refer the **Revolution Slider Documentation** which comes with this choco theme package.

MAILPOET:

MailPoet used to create subscriber forms & newsletter. The process of setting up the subscriber form is very simple. Many agency & business websites are using subscriber forms & sending newsletter to keep in touch with customers.

3.0 BASIC POST, CUSTOM POSTTYPE POST & PAGE DEVELOPMENT

Posts & Pages are the basic features of WordPress. Before get into the WordPress everyone should know about the functionalities of Posts & Pages. As WordPress is a blogging tool you can't omit the blog features. So, you should know the basic of page & post development.

POST:

Whenever our contents are subjected to change dynamically, we should use Post, Normally it will be the blog post & news feed. To create post, go to **Posts** tab under **admin menu** and **Add new** post. Obviously, Post has title, editor, publish time. Apart from that, WordPress allows us to set **category, tag, post format, thumbnail, meta box** for every post.

All features described above are common to all WordPress themes, but Choco have some unique features. They are,

- ✓ Post format options
- ✓ Header options

Post format options:

Choco theme allows us to setup the post for individual post format, it has individual meta boxes for audio, video, gallery, link, quote posts.

For ex. If you want to create a video post, you can check **Video** radio button in post format tab (left side middle) and setup meta boxes in **Video Post Options** at the bottom of post page.

Header options (Hero):

Header options brings the post/Page header (Hero section) to the top of post. Normally, These headers are used to highlight the title from the post. Here you can set your own **height, background, content and button**. You also can set even text alignment, background attachment, size, positions. Even you can bring the navigation links into this post/page header.

For ex. Setup the **Header Options** which is next to post format options and check the **Navigation Links at header** field to bring the post navigation links.

PORTFOLIO (CUSTOM POSTTYPE):

Portfolio is a custom posttype especially made for Choco theme. It has the basic Post functionalities such as title, editor, publish time, category. To create portfolio post go to **Portfolio** tab under **admin menu** and **Add new** portfolio. Like **Posts**, it has **Portfolio options** Instead of **post format options**. And Portfolio is also having the header options. To know more about this go to topic **Header options** under **Post**.

Portfolio options:

At Portfolio options you can set description, date, client name, and external links. Additionally, you have advanced features like **fullwidth option, lightbox enable/disable option, masonry setup**.

For ex. Instead of showing the content in halfwidth mode, you can setup to fullwidth mode by enabling **Fullwidth Portfolio**. And you can enable/disable the lightbox.

Note: if you want to show lightbox gallery, you have to use the same lightbox id at **Lightbox ID**;

Note: Masonry only works when the portfolio layout is set to masonry (it may via option panel or shortcode elements).

PAGE:

At the most of time, Pages works with static content such as history, about us, landing page. To create the page, go to **Pages** tab in **Admin menu** and **Add New** page to your site. Page also have the title, editor, etc. But additionally it has a **Page Attributes** (You can find the page attributes at left side middle). since page attributes takes important part in this theme. I listed out the usability of the **Templates** in **Page Attributes**.

Choco built with 4 pre-made template, these are

- ✓ Page Fullwidth (for slider) – For all pages using sliders, fullwidth sections.
- ✓ Portfolio – Like the default Blog page, You can bring the portfolio with this portfolio template
- ✓ Coming soon – It will be useful for displaying the construction time & downtime of website
- ✓ Archives – It brings all archives like categories, tags, recent posts to the single page.

Page is also having the unique meta box fields called **Page Options**. It allows us to setup the sliders, bottom header & contact section.

For ex. By checking **Bottom Header** at Page Options, you can bring the header menu below the slider. Likewise, By Checking **contact section** you can bring the contact bar to the bottom. You can switch the contact bar style at **Contact section style**.

Agni Slider List & Home Slider List contain list of sliders which are created with [Agni Slider](#), [Home Slider](#) posttype. You can choose anyone from the list to show at top of the page.

Note: **Bottom header** options works only with **Agni Sliders**.

Apart from the above posttype, you can find clients, testimonials, team posttype in choco. They allow you to set the values globally and you can use these with the same values everywhere via shortcode (visual composer's backend editor).

4.0 DEMO CONTENT

4.1 IMPORTING SAMPLE CONTENT

Demo or Sample content is an xml file (.xml) which includes pre-build content such as pages, posts, media files, menus and forms. It makes your development process very easy. To get sample content you have to import it first.

Before importing the sample content, you should have the installed version of Import tool called **WordPress Importer**. If you already have an installed version of the **WordPress Importer** just skip the next step.

- To install WordPress Importer Plugin go to **Tools -> import**. Then choose the **WordPress** at the end. Once **WordPress Importer** installed & activated automatically, it will ask for Sample content to import.

Locate the **sample-content.xml** file from your local directory & Click **upload & import**. Now, it asks for a username to import a content under his name (simply, makes him as an author of an imported content). If you want to import all content with attachment (media files) then check (tick) **download and import attachment**. Now click import. Once the import has been completed, it will show the confirmation notice.

4.2 IMPORTING REVOLUTION SLIDER

Pre-build (readymade) slides of Revolution slider are coming with Choco. Definitely, It will speed up your site building process. You can import these slides using Import option at revolution slider. To import slides, just go to **Revolution slider** menu and Click **Import Slider**. Now Locate **rev1.zip** and click import.

Now, slides will be installed automatically. Once the import has been completed, it will show the confirmation notice.

5.0 MENU SETTINGS

5.1 BASIC MENU SETUP

As everyone knows, menu takes an important part in webpage. WordPress also has the capability to create the menus. In addition, it allows us to include pages, posts, links and categories to the menu.

To create a menu,

- Go to **appearance -> Menus**.
- Click **create a new menu** or Name a menu.
- Add Links/pages & Check the **primary menu** at the end of menu and click save.

Note: If you check (tick) **automatically add new top-level pages to this menu**. It brings all new pages to the menu, automatically.

5.2 MEGA MENU SETUP

Sometimes, we may need to add more number of items under a single menu. In that case, it can't be achieved only with simple menus (vertical single column menu). Mega Menu brings some more space to the simple menu by allowing us to display the menu items horizontally. To create the Mega menu, we have to follow the following steps additionally,

- At First, click the **screen options** at the top right of the menu page.
- Check (tick) the **CSS classes**, now every menu shows the **CSS Classes (optional)** field, additionally.
- Add the class name **megamenu** to the root menus (should not be a child) which are all you want to change as a Mega menu.
- And add any one of these column class (for ex. **col-md-4/col-md-3/col-md-2**) to the immediate children of the root menu (megamenu).

5.3 ONE PAGE MENU SETUP

One Page menu allows us to navigate between sections in the same page. To create the one page menu just follow the following simple steps,

- Choose the **Links** from the left side of the menu structure.
- Enter the **ID** of the section with **#** prefix. For ex. **#about** to navigate inside the page.

Note: Your page sections IDs should match with the menu IDs.

6.0 SLIDER DEVELOPMENT

Choco contains two in-built sliders with six different variations. They are created as a posttype to access globally. Since, it's a posttype you can create a post (slide). But this sliders doesn't have the editor, category like **Post & Page**.

6.1 AGNI SLIDER

Agni slider is fullscreen slider. It contains four variations such as slideshow, text slide, image slide, video bg. Each slide has its own meta box & field to show the slide. In the Agni Slider, First meta box is the **Agni Slider options**. You have to choose anyone of slide (radio button) from the four slide to create the respective slider, which is shown below to the **Agni Slider options**.

To create Agni Slider, go to **Agni Slider->Add New Slide**.

Each slide allows you to setup image, text, background size, attachment, text alignment, overlay, and buttons. Another cool feature is that you can setup an arrow & assign a link to scroll on the section of the page. You can create **n** number of slides using Agni Slider.

Note: kindly, double check the fields while filling an information. Try again, if fields are not saved properly at its first time.

6.2 HOME SLIDER

Home Slider allows you set your desired height. It has two variations such as bxslider and slit slider. Each slide allows you to setup image, text, background size, attachment, text alignment, overlay, and buttons. You can create **n** number of slides using Home Slider.

To create the Home Slider, go to **Home Slider->Add New Slide**.

SLIT SLIDER:

It allows you to set an animation effects over the text & background image. At Slit Slider, the background images/patterns are sliced into two half. And you can rotate from -360 to 360 on each slice and you can change the orientation of slices.

BX SLIDER:

You can use two different styles of text in the slider and you can offset the content to 50% by checking **Text Indent** check box. And it allows you to setup image, text, background size, attachment, text alignment, overlay, and buttons.

7.0 OPTION PANEL SETTING

Choco powered by the option panel framework called Redux. This option panel allows us to change the fonts & backgrounds with simple steps. By using this option panel, we can setup blog, portfolio, slider and map very quickly. You can find the option panel at **Choco** under the Admin menu.

HOME SETTINGS

Home settings allow you to setup the favicon, colors, fonts, background etc. At **Body Background**, you can setup the background attachment, position, size, image & color. At **Font combination**, Font 1 applies the respective settings to all heading (h) tags such as h1, h2, h3, h4, h5, h6. Font 2 applies to body tag. Meanwhile, accent color for links, primary color for heading (h) tags and default color for body tag.

You can change the Pre-loader by switching the **Loader Type** at home settings. And you can enable/disable the **one page, responsive, dark theme, box layout** options at home settings. If you have the google analytics track code, just paste it without script tag in **track code** text area.

HEADER OPTIONS

Header options allow you to setup the logo, menu colors, menu fonts, backgrounds, etc. you can find the various type of headers at **Header style**. And you also can enable/disable the transparency, fullwidth & dark menu at **Header options**.

At the **Social Network in header**, you can choose the social icons to show inside the header.

Note: You can setup the link at **Social Network Links** which are shown below.

FOOTER OPTIONS

Choco has an option to enable/disable the footer widget bar in footer area. You can do this by switching on/off the **footer widget bar** at Footer options. You can even setup the logo to the footer. Footer notes & copyright text can be changed at the **Footer Text**.

Again, at the **Social Network**, you can choose the social icons to show inside the footer.

BLOG OPTIONS

Apart from general blog options in the WordPress, Choco allows you to change some unique options such as pagination format, sharing options & author biography. At **Content Layout** list, you can choose anyone layout from the pre-built eight layouts. Modern layouts (modern, modern 1, modern 2) do not contain any sidebars and it uses the post thumbnail images as a background. Background is visible only on hover.

PORTFOLIO OPTIONS

Since, portfolio is a custom posttype the WordPress doesn't provide any settings (options) on its own, so choco provides you to change options such as post per page & sharing options. At **Portfolio Layout** list, you can choose the layout.

Portfolio comes with two different style such as **bottom caption & hover caption**. **Bottom header** shows the title & description below the thumbnail image. **Hover caption** shows the title & description over the thumbnail image only on hover event.

SLIDER SETTINGS

To configure the slider values such as duration & transition period, just go to **Slider settings** in the option panel.

Here you can see five different sliders and options. First three belongs to Agni Slider and rest belongs to Home Slider. You can configure your video background at here, such as autoplay, mute and volume level.

COMING SOON PAGE OPTIONS

Here, you can setup the coming soon **Page Template**. Deadline of the website can be configured at **Counter deadline**. Deadline of the completion time should follow the following structure,

DATE<space>MONTH IN LETTERS<space>YEAR<space>HH:MM:SS for ex. 20 January 2015 10:45:00

You also can show your subscriber form in coming soon. Just place the shortcode (for ex. [wysija_form id="2"]) of the subscriber form which you created using the MailPoet plugin (See the [SUBSCRIBER FORM](#) topic to create subscriber form).

SOCIAL NETWORK LINKS & MAP SETUP

Choco allows you to setup the map globally at option panel. Once you setup the map here, you can use the map with the same lat, lng values everywhere via shortcode (visual composer's editor). You can upload your own location marker at **Location Icon** and setup your address at **3 Address Lines**. [Find my latitude & longitude value](#).

Globally, You can fill the social media links such as Facebook, twitter, dribbble etc. to the respective fields.

CONTACT FOOTER & CUSTOM CODING

Contact footer is a section which is shown at the end of page, just above to the footer. Normally, it contains physical address, phone number and email information. You can change all these information at **Contact Footer**.

At **custom coding**, you can declare your own CSS properties and JS queries. Here I show you the scenario to change all links color at header using **custom coding**.

1. Using CSS, you can define the property like this `body header a { color: red; }`
2. Using JS, you can write syntax like this `$(body).find(header a).css({ 'color': 'red' });`

8.0 SHORTCODES

8.1 VISUAL COMPOSER USAGE

Choco theme comes with more than 30 shortcodes. These shortcodes are integrated with the visual composer. Visual composer is used to build the page & post without any coding knowledge. It has two type of editors called backend editor & frontend editor. Both are placed just below to the **Add media**.

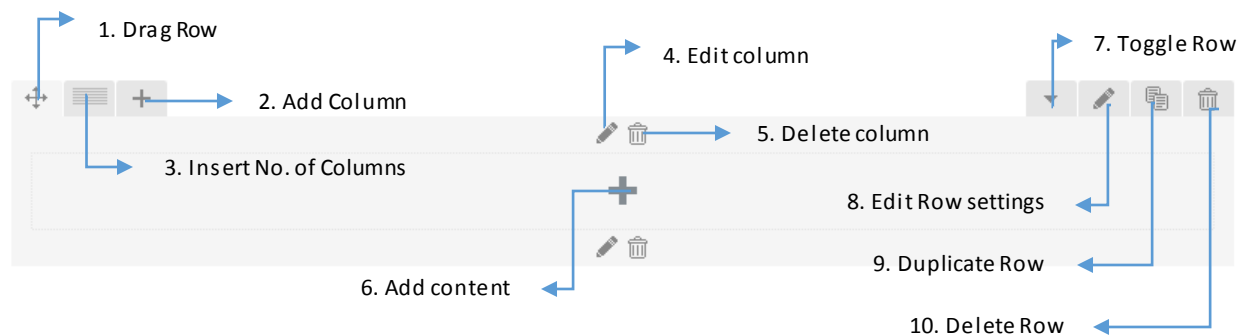
Backend-editor allows you to edit the content at the usual post editor page (backend). Backend editor manipulate the visual editor content, so you can't able to see the actual structure of the page, you have

to click the **view page** to see the actual structure. Once you clicked the backend editor button, shortcode elements modal will popup.

Frontend-editor allows you to edit at the live webpage (frontend). Frontend-editor manipulate with live webpage (live preview), so you can able to see the exact structure of the page with the content.

8.2 SHORTCODE CREATION

Columns & Rows are the most important shortcode for creating the page effectively. In Choco, **Row** Shortcode will bring the Row element with a column. You can see the complete illustration of Row & Column shortcodes below,



By Clicking **Add Content** You can insert all shortcodes listed in visual composer backend/frontend editor

Choco includes many useful shortcodes such as widgetized sidebar, post & portfolio, etc. For ex.

Widgetized sidebar brings the sidebar with widget to your desire location.

8.3 HELPING CLASSES

Choco includes a lot of useful classes. You can use these classes with any of the shortcodes.

no-margin-padding – it set left & right side margin, padding to 0.

primary-typo – it sets the primary font-family to the element.

default-typo – it sets the additional font-family to the element.

huge-icon – it sets the font-size to 90px

large-icon – it sets the font-size to 52px

small-icon – it sets the font-size to 36px

margin-[multiples of 10 upto 160 starts from 20] – it sets top & bottom margin respective to the values. For ex. “margin-120” sets 120 margin at the top & bottom.

margin-top-[multiples of 10 upto 120 starts from 20] – it sets top margin respected to the values.

margin-bottom-[multiples of 10 upto 120 starts from 20] – it sets bottom margin respected to the values.

padding-[multiples of 10 upto 150 starts from 40] – it sets respective value to all sides.

padding-top-[multiples of 10 upto 100 starts from 40] – it sets respective value to top.

padding-bottom-[multiples of 10 upto 100 starts from 40] – it sets respective value to bottom.

white – it sets all child h tags, p tag, a tag, li tag color to #f0f0f0.

And you can use all bootstrap classes. [Find more details about bootstrap.](#)

Note: Most of the shortcodes will have the **extra class** field to add your own classes.

9.0 CONTACT FORM

Contact Form is used to receive the email from the visitors. Choco includes stand-alone plugin [Contact Form 7](#) to create the contact form. Once the plugin has been installed & activated, **Contact** menu will be added to the **Admin menu**. You can create **n** number of contact form using this plugin.

To create the Contact form just go to **Contact -> Add New**

You can add new fields to contact form using **Generate Tags**. And copy/paste your name, email & message shortcode fields to the required places. [Find more details about contact form.](#)

10.0 SUBSCRIBER FORM

Subscriber Form is used to send the notification (Newsletter) to the subscribers. Choco includes the [MailPoet](#) plugin to create the subscriber form. Once the plugin has been installed & activated, **MailPoet** menu will be added to the **Admin menu**. You can create **n** number of Subscriber form & Newsletters using this plugin.

To create the Subscriber form just go to **MailPoet -> Settings (under the MailPoet) -> Forms -> Create New Form**

You can add new fields to subscriber form using **Add New Field**. [Find more details about MailPoet](#).

11.0 WIDGET SETUP

Choco allows you to create the sidebar dynamically. It includes two widgetized area namely **sidebar & footer bar**.

To add widget to sidebar or footer bar, just go to **Appearance -> widgets** in admin menu. You can drag & drop the widget into sidebar & footer bar.

12.0 ONEPAGE SETUP

To make a onepage site, enable **Choco -> Home settings -> One page** at Admin menu. Apart from this, you need to do few more things on [onepage menu](#) setting to get the working onepage website.

13.0 DARK THEME SETUP

To create the dark theme, go to downloaded theme package **choco 1.3/Demo content** find & copy the content inside **dark-version settings.json**. Now, go to **Choco -> Import/export** in Admin menu. Choose **Import from file** and paste the content which you copied from **dark-version settings.json**.

14.0 BOXED LAYOUT SETUP

To setup the boxed layout, just enable **Choco -> Home settings -> Boxed layout** at Admin menu. You can refer the css properties of boxed layout at **theme folder (choco)/css/boxed.css**

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