

Yoko-Theme Documentation

1. Theme features and requirements

- for WordPress 3.1+
- responsive layout with CSS3 Media Queries: The blog layout adjusts to different screen sizes and is therefore optimized for mobile devices such as tablet pcs and smartphones.
- HTML5 (fallback for IE < 9) and CSS3
- custom link color, header image, background and logo image
- optional additional navigation menu (Sub Menu) below the header image
- simple theme options page
- Yoko social links widget with mini icons (for RSS, twitter, facebook, flickr, vimeo, linkedin and delicious)
- post formats for standard, aside, gallery, link, video, image and quote
- threaded comments with gravatar support
- post thumbnails
- custom CSS Styles for the Contact 7 form WordPress plugin
- Google web fonts (Droid Sans and Droid Serif)
- translation-ready (currently English, German and French translations available)
- cross-browser compatible (tested in Chrome, Firefox, Safari, Internet Explorer 9 and 8)
- Shortcodes for multiple columns, info boxes and text highlight

2. The theme installation

You can install the Yoko theme right from your WordPress installation admin panel. Just go to **Appearance/Themes** and click on the tab **Install Themes** and search for „Yoko“. Now you can see the Yoko theme preview and click on **Install**.

After installing Yoko you just have to activate it by clicking the **Activate** link in the „Manage themes“ page.

3. Custom link color and logo image

To use a custom link color or logo image click on **Appearance / theme options**.



Yoko Theme Options

Custom Link Color



Select a Color

e.g. #0000FF or blue (default link color: #009BC2)

Custom Logo Image URL

[Upload your own logo image](#) using the

CUSTOM LOGO IMAGE

Save Options

Here you can type in your own link color using the hex term like **#009BC2** (don't forget the symbol #) or a color term like red, blue or green.

Your **logo image** can have an individual pixel size. Just upload your logo image (jpg or png) to the WordPress media library, copy the image URL and **paste the URL into the theme options page**.

4. Custom Header Image

To use an individual header image go to **Appearance / Header**.

Custom Header

Preview



Upload Image

You can upload a custom header image to be shown at the top of your site instead of the default one. On the next screen you will be : Images of exactly **1102 x 350 pixels** will be used as-is.

Choose an image from your computer:

Default Images

If you don't want to upload your own image, you can use one of these cool headers, or show a random one.

Random: Show a different image on each page.



Here you can upload your own header image (size **1102x350 Pixel**), pick one of the other header images that come with the Yoko theme or choose not to use an header image at all.

5. Custom Background

In the admin panel choose **Appearance / Background** to pick your own background color or upload a custom background image.

Custom Background

Background Image

Preview



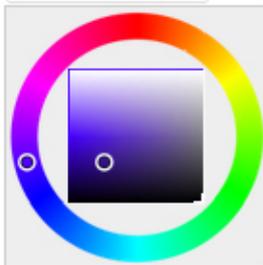
Upload Image

Choose an image from your computer:

Display Options

Color

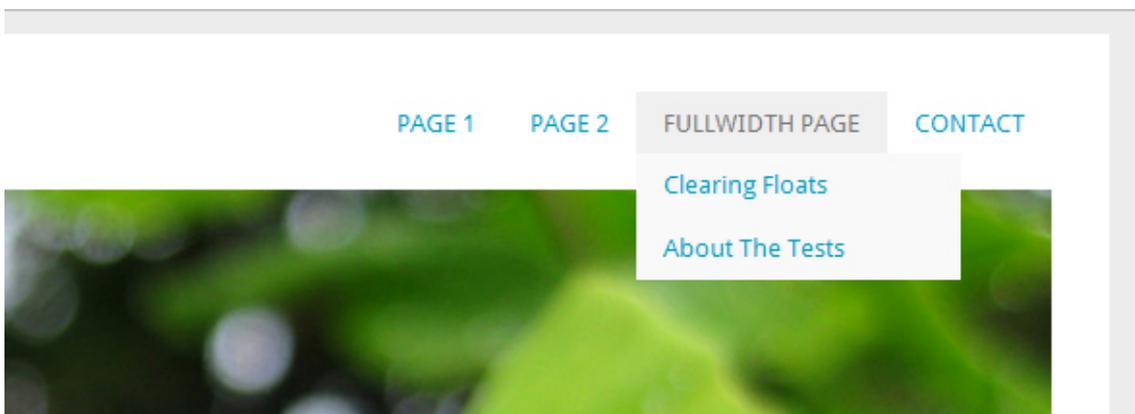
[Select a Color \(Clear\)](#)



Your background image doesn't have to be very big, you can prepare a small image (like 100x100px) and choose to repeat the image horizontally and vertically. This way your website loads faster into the browser because you decreased the background image file size.

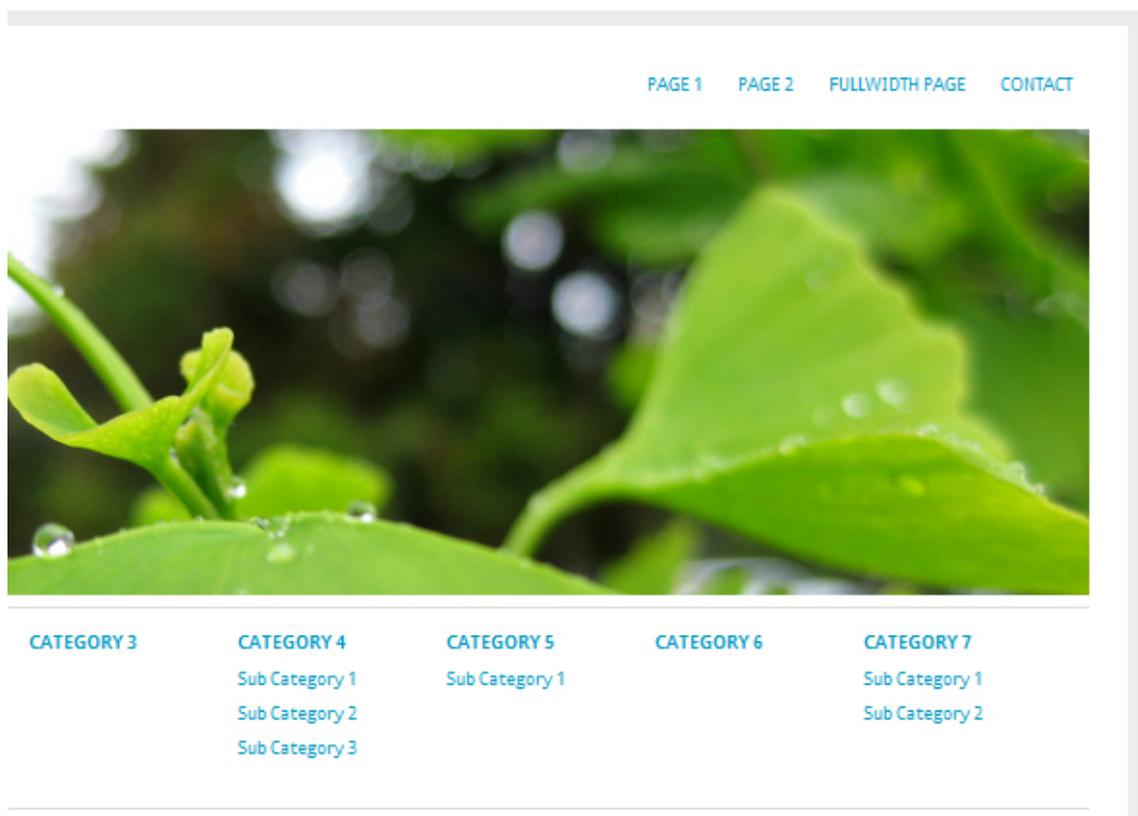
6. Customize the main navigation

If you want to customize the appearance of the main menu (at the top right side of the theme layout) you can use the WordPress custom menu option. Just set up your individual navigation menu (**Appearance / Menus**) and mark it as the **Primary Navigation** in the Theme Locations option field (at the top left side of the menu admin panel).



7. Additional navigation menu (Sub Menu)

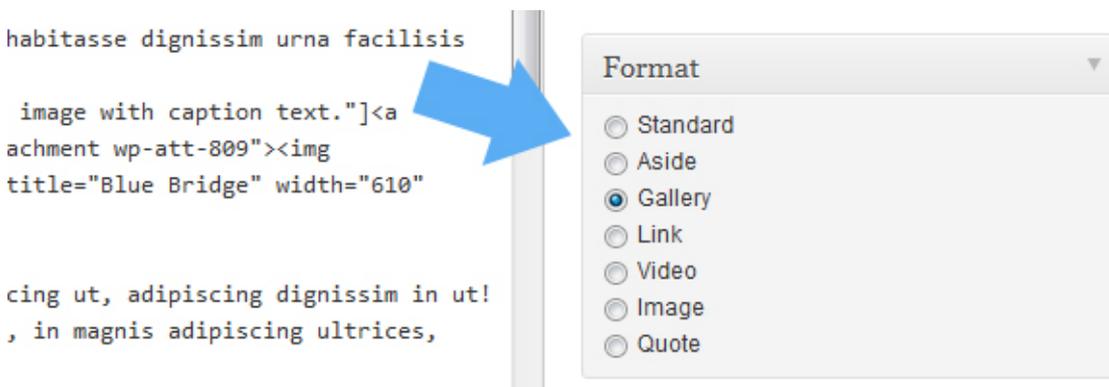
One more Yoko theme feature is the additional navigation menu right below the header image.



To use this additional menu option set up an custom menu with the name **»Sub Menu«** under Apperance / Menues. You can use up to seven main menu links and multiple sub menu links. Just drag'n'drop the sub menu links a little bit to the right to mark them as sub level. After you save your **»Sub Menu«** navigation menu you will see it in your blog layout.

8. Use WordPress Post Formats

Yoko also supports the new post formats feature (since WP 3.1). Right now you can choose your posts to be **standard** posts, **aside** (a short note), **gallery**, **link**, **video**, **image** or **quote** posts.



The different post formats will then have different styling in your blog design.

9. Post Thumbnails

In the Yoko theme you can include post thumbnails for standard posts.



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by Ellen
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Post with Images

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The Thumbnail image size is **140×140 Pixel**. To add a thumbnail to a post just upload it using the option field **»Featured image«** in the **»Edit Post«** admin window.

To setup your default image sizes for the WordPress media library go to **Settings / Media** in the Admin panel. Here you can set your thumbnail size to 140x140 pixel.

10. The Yoko Social Links widget

Yoko has a custom widget with mini icons to link to your social profile sites like Twitter, Facebook, Flickr, Vimeo, LinkedIn, Delicious or to your RSS Feed.

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SOCIAL WIDGET

-  [RSS Feed](#)
-  [Twitter](#)
-  [Facebook](#)
-  [Flickr](#)
-  [Vimeo](#)
-  [LinkedIn](#)
-  [Delicious](#)

To use the widgets choose **Appearance / Widgets** in the admin panel and drag'n'drop the **Yoko Social Links Widget** into one of the two sidebars. Now you just have to choose a widget title and fill in your link texts and the URLs to your profile pages.

11. Author Info field

To show an author description text with gravatar image below every single post just fill out the **»Biographical Info«** in your **User profile**.

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After updating the info the authors biographical info the author field will show up automatically at the end of every single post page.

12. Threaded Comments

Yoko also supports the WordPress threaded comments feature. There will be an reply button after every comment to reply directly to an individual comment. If the button does not show up automatically you might have to enable the threaded comments option under **Settings / Discussion / Other comments options** first.

13. Shortcodes for multiple columns, info boxes and text highlight

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To set text into **two columns** use the shortcodes in your posts or pages:
[two_columns_one]put your left column text here...[/two_columns_one]
[two_columns_one_last]put your right column text here...[/two_columns_one_last]
[divider]

To set your text into **three columns** use the shortcodes like this:

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[three_columns_one]put your left column text here...[/three_columns_one]
[three_columns_one]put your middle column text here...[/three_columns_one]
[three_columns_one_last]put your right column text here...[/three_columns_one_last]
[divider]
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To set your text into **four columns** use the shortcodes like this:

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[four_columns_one]put your first column text here...[/four_columns_one]
[four_columns_one]put your second column text here...[/four_columns_one]
[four_columns_one]put your third column text here...[/four_columns_one]
[four_columns_one_last]put fourth column text here...[/four_columns_one_last]
[divider]
```

The **[divider]** shortcode will clear your divs so the columns will not collapse into each other.

For **info boxes (yellow, red or green)** you can use the shortcodes:

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[yellow_box]your info text here... [/yellow_box]
[red_box]your info text here... [/red_box]
[green_box]your info text here... [/green_box]
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And to **highlight text** with a light yellow color just put your text into the shortcodes:

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[highlight]your highlighted text here... [/highlight]
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14. Theme translations

Yoko is ready for theme translation. Right now there is the default **English, a German and a French** translation for Yoko available. You can add your own translation or customize an existing translation very easily by using the WordPress plugin »Codestyling Localization«. At the plugins homepage you can also find a detailed plugin description.

If you translated the Yoko theme in your own language it would be great if you make your work also available for other users. Just contact us at kontakt@elmastudio.de so we can add your translation to the Yoko theme folder.

15. Customizing Yoko by creating a child theme

In case you want to customize the Yoko theme a little further and you therefore want to change the code in the themes Styleheet or any of the theme template files please consider creating a child theme for your changes.

Creating a child theme is very easy and it saves all your individual changes from being overwritten by a future update of the Yoko theme. You can find more information on creating a child theme in the WordPress Codex.

We hope you like the Yoko WordPress theme. If you have feedback, suggestions or problems with the theme just write us a comment on the Yoko theme page:

<http://www.elmastudio.de/wordpress-themes/yoko/>