

# Portfolious

## Highly Extensible Wordpress CMS Theme

Thank you for purchasing **Portfolious**. Before you install and start using your theme, please read the following instructions and helping guide below:

## 1-Installing Portfolious

It is highly suggested that you activate Portfolious on a clean Wordpress installation.

Though you will experience no big trouble if you activate Portfolious on an existing Wordpress blog, it will be much easier if you set everything up from scratch:

### Installing the theme:

- a) Place your **portfolious\_theme** folder into the wp-content/themes folder of your wordpress install.
- b) Inside the theme folder, set the **chmod** of **cache** folder into **777**. (required for image resizing)
- c) Go to your Wordpress Admin and activate your theme.

Once you activate your theme, you will see the theme options link(**Portfolious**) added to the Wordpress Admin Side Links, at the end of Dashboard link group.

## 2-Setting Up Portfolious / Theme Options

Do **not** start using your theme before you finish setting up your theme by following this guide.

After you activate your theme, create your desired categories, posts and pages before you go into the theme setup from the theme options.

When you go into your theme options page, you will see the tabbed options divided into 5 sections:

### Setup & Site Settings

- a) **Enable / Disable Portfolio Capability**

You can use Portfolious in 2 ways: Portfolio based blog / Feature Based Blog

If you choose using Portfolious as a portfolio based blog, simply enable it and **select**

**your portfolio category.** This will automatically set up your portfolio items listed as teaser elements on homepage and will have their unique layouts in their single pages.

If you don't want to use Portfolious as a portfolio based blog, you can disable it and set a **featured category** (might be your softwares, new events, featured products etc.) to be shown on the homepage teaser section.

If you disable portfolio, do not leave admin before you set up your featured category from the **Homepage** tab.

b) **Selecting Blog Category**

Select your blog category in this part. This will set up the sidebar navigation for your blog.

c) **Select Contact Page**

Select your contact page in this part. This will set up the sidebar navigation for your contact page.

**Note:** If you want to set up a contact form for your contact page, simply browse plugins from the wordpress admin and install your choice of contact form plugin.

d) **Entering Flickr ID for the Flickr images on Homepage**

Aside from flickr widget on sidebar, Portfolious homepage is equipped with flickr images.

Enter your flickr user/photo set id here to show last 5 images from your gallery in homepage.

If you don't know your flickr id, you can get it with the help of IDGettr (<http://idgettr.com/>)

**Note:** If you don't want to use flickr gallery on homepage, simply leave it blank so you can place anything else for this part, editing the **index.php** on your theme folder.

e) **Google Analytics Code**

If you are using Google Analytics to keep track of your site stats, you can enter your google analytics code here and this code will be placed in your footer automatically.

## Logo

Using the provided psd (psd/templates/logo.psd) in your unpacked theme folder, create your logo (preferably transparent 8bit/24bit png) and save it.

Upload it to your server and enter the filepath of your logo image in this section.

Do not exceed maximum dimensions of **163px width / 146px height**.

## Homepage Settings

### a) Homepage Teaser Posts

*If you disabled Portfolious's portfolio capability from the setup, you will additionally see a section asking you to choose your **featured category** in here.*

*Your selected **featured category** will be used as your teaser elements on homepage and your blog.*

Select how many teaser posts you want to show on your homepage.

### b) Homepage Introduction Content

You can either use this information from any page you desire, or you can enter the information yourself.

Select your choice and choose page or enter the required information.

### c) Homepage Blog Posts

Portfolious can list your latest blog posts either as each-post-slider or as a list.

If you choose "**Yes**" for sliding blog posts, high probably you will also need to place **<!--more-->** in your blog posts since the sliding list container has a max height of **350px**(you can change that value in your theme's **index.php** though).

If you don't place **<!--more-->** in your blog posts, your sliding posts that exceed 350px height may look corrupt.

Select the number of blog posts you want to show on your homepage.

## Navigation Settings

### a) Dropdown Navigation

By default, Portfolious navigation is a one level list of pages and categories.

If you have multiple categories/pages with child categories/pages in them, you might want to enable this option to show them.

Remember though, dropdown menu currently lists 1 level dropdown items.

## b) **Menu Order**

You can sort the order of items in main navigation if you want to list categories before or after pages.

Select your choice of order.

## c) **Animation Easing**

Portfolious uses animations in various sections of your blog/website (main navigation, homepage teaser, twitter widget, homepage blog posts, portfolio item quick navigation etc). You can set the easing option of those animations here.

Select your choice of easing.

## **Style Settings**

### a) **Background**

Portfolious has 10 backgrounds for your to choose from. Select any of them you like most, and voila, it's on.

*If you want to have your own background, you will need to edit the psd files and save the background as a jpeg file and replace it with the one that is located inside skin\_styles.php (background selector). Make it wide wider than 2000px if you please =)*

### b) **Colors**

Select your primary and secondary colors to fit your background.

## **Contact Form**

- 1- Enter your email into the text box.
- 2- Go edit your contact page and enter `<!--contact form-->` into where you want to show the form.

## 3-Theme Files

Other than regular wordpress theme files (e.g. footer.php, header.php, single.php), you will see a folder called "**layouts**" which contain archive templates for blog and portfolio/featured post listing layouts.

You will need to edit those files if you want to change the information or the content inside them.

## 4-Sidebar & Sidebar Widgets:

Portfolious sidebar contains 2 features: Category/page navigation includes and dynamic sidebar widgets.

You will see that Portfolious is equipped with 2 widgets: Portfolious Twitter and Portfolious Flickr. Place them in your sidebar with entering relevant information. They will show up on your regular sidebar.

Still if you want to edit your sidebar manually, you will see the helping commented code inside your sidebar.php which will give you an idea about how to create another sidebar box for your own content.

## 5-Error Types:

If you did something wrong, you might get by following issues & errors:

**No posts:** You will see this error if your selected featured/portfolio posts don't contain any posts belong to them. Go ahead and create posts for them!

**No Post Image:** You will see this thumbnail/image when your featured/portfolio item doesn't have any post image assigned. Go edit that post and upload image for it, enter the path of the image to the port image/photo custom field.

**Duplicate Sidebar Category Navigation Children:** On rare occasion (especially if you're testing portfolio enable/disable), you might get by this odd. It means you selected the same categories for both featured and portfolio even though you enabled/disabled the portfolio capability. No big deal, just change your portfolio/featured category and that will be fixed automatically =)

## Enjoy!

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at [onur@monofactor.com](mailto:onur@monofactor.com), thank you!

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