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Configure Atahualpa like Africa YORGOO Media?

Africa YORGOO Media is a customized YORGOO Media Blog based on the Atahualpa Theme. The Atahualpa on YORGOO Media is modified to work with Semiomantics tuning files. This post shows the customization applied to the theme to get the look of Africa YORGOO Media.

Load the Atahualpa Theme

First things first: from Appearance in your Dashboard Menu select and load Atahualpa. The theme is flexible and allows customization of most any area of the theme. It's ideal for beginners who don't want to bother with style sheet editing and on a WordPress MU installation, where you don't have access to FTP, you are able to load images to customize your theme such as a favicon, a logo and header images.

Atahualpa Theme Options

Now you find under appearance a new tab, Atahualpa Theme Options, select it. The Option page opens a menu with 26 tabs leading to specific customization sections. I will not discuss them all as the theme can be configured to create thousands different looks; I will just show, what settings I used for the Africa YORGOO Media customization. My basic criteria are the color scheme of YORGOO which is Black, Gray and Red. I use basically the following color codes:

Black: 000000

Dark Gray: 333333

Medium Gray: 666666

- *Recent*
 - [Clone Africa YORGOO Media](#)
 - [The Purpose and Future of YORGOO Media](#)
 - [Garden Route Great Brak River](#)
 - [Great Brak River Accommodation](#)
 - [Accommodation Great Brak River](#)
 - [Global Sports News](#)
 - [How to Make Money with Images](#)
 - [How to Make Money with Images](#)
 - [Best Buy Nike Sneakers](#)
 - [Best Buy Nike](#)
 - [Buy Nike Kicks in London at Global Sports](#)
 - [Nike Kicks on Google by Semiomantics](#)
 - [Nike Kicks in London](#)
 - [Nike Kicks a hot Seller](#)
 - [Global NYC Soho](#)

- *Search*

- *Pages*

- [About](#)
- [Art Contest](#)

Red: B30000

To make it simple, I stay within these colors for all areas of concern.

I will just indicate the tabs selected and the corresponding modifications.

Atahualpa Body, Text & Links

<p>Link Default Color</p> <p>333333</p> <p>Default: 666666</p>	All hex co
<p>Link Hover Color</p> <p>B30000</p> <p>Default: cc0000</p>	Color of li
<p>Link Default Decoration</p> <p>none</p> <p>Default: none</p>	Underline
<p>Link Hover Decoration</p> <p>none</p> <p>Default: underline</p>	When the
<p>Link Text Bold or Not</p> <p>normal</p> <p>Default: bold</p>	Make link

Atahualpa Body Text Links

My link color is close the the black color of the text fonts, here dark gray. The Link Hover (shows when you pass the cursor over a hyperlinked word or expression) color is obviously my standard red.

Note: I don't underline links, nor edit them in bold fonts.

Atahualpa Layout

Here is my selection for the layout; I like flexible width (fluid), and I define minimum and maximum width.

- [Articles](#)
 - [BuddyPress - Semiomantics JC Net](#)
 - [Feeds and Archives](#)
 - [Geo Maps](#)
 - [Global Sports US](#)
 - [Nike Kicks](#)
 - [Links](#)
 - [Maps](#)
 - [Garden Route Accommodation](#)
 - [Photos](#)
 - [Carnival Gallery](#)
 - [YORGOO Press Gallery](#)
 - [Social Media](#)
 - [YORGOO Media Configure Atahualpa](#)
 - [YORGOO Press](#)
 - [YORGOO Press](#)
- [Categories](#)
- [Contributors ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Bianca Gubalke ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Zo Nicholas ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Development ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Astroblogy ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Gemini Horoscope ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Garden Route Directory ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Garden Route Publishing ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Global ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Global London ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Best buy Nike ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Nike Sneakers ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Global NYC ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Global Sports ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Nike Kicks ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Global Sports US ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Hanno Coetzee ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Hosting South Africa ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Interactive Video Blog ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Larrie Perkins ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Media Marketing Auction Talk Live ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Semiomantics ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [The Tabloids Network ^{\(↗\)}](#)
 - [Troubleshooting ^{\(↗\)}](#)
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(FLUID or FIXED)

Default: **99%**

Layout MIN width

Default: **blank**

Layout MAX width

Default: **blank**

Atahualpa Layout

Atahualpa Favicon

Obviously I want to load my own favicon called `y-favicon.ico`. You may use it as well by using the below settings. If you wish to use your personal favicon, we will load it for you, just send it to [yorgOhelp](#) in the correct format as indicated on the Atahualpa Favicon page.

Favicon

Default: **20-favicon.ico**

Atahualpa Favicon

Atahualpa Header

Header Logo

I just use the default YORGOO Media Logo, a privilege when your name starts with a Y :-). You can load your own logo following the instructions on the menu: open an existing post and upload your logo without inserting it into the post. The logo file can be a .jpg, .gif, .png, .bmp format. Just enter the name of the file into the Logo field. My logo is 56x56 px gif; if you want to use the YORGOO Media logo, just leave the entry as is: `logo.gif`.

- [Cape Sounio News \(🔗\)](#)
- [Cars Daily Chronicle \(🔗\)](#)
- [Garden Route Newsletter \(🔗\)](#)
 - [The Lalakoi Post \(🔗\)](#)
- [Nutrinsider \(🔗\)](#)
- [The Garden Route \(🔗\)](#)
- [The YORGOO Times \(🔗\)](#)
- [Touch Vision Talk \(🔗\)](#)
- [Working from Home News \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Work from Home News \(🔗\)](#)
- [Yorgoo Press Configuration \(🔗\)](#)
- [YORGOO Press on Google \(🔗\)](#)
 - [YORGOO Publishing \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Zibog Roy \(🔗\)](#)
- [Marketing \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Social Media Marketing \(🔗\)](#)
 - [YORGOO \(🔗\)](#)
- [Media \(🔗\)](#)
- [People \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Alejandra Neri \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Besma Bashier \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Boruch Rappaport \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Brenda Baker \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Chris Polenas \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Eileen Cupido \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Felisa Ryan \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Joe Cettina \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Susan Boyle \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Ute Schaedler \(🔗\)](#)
- [Publishing \(🔗\)](#)
 - [CNN \(🔗\)](#)
- [Social Media \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Facebook \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Twitter \(🔗\)](#)
- [Yorgo \(🔗\)](#)
- [Yorgo Nestoridis \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Editorial \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Blog Master Class \(🔗\)](#)
 - [YORGOO Network Chronicle \(🔗\)](#)
 - [YORGOO Press Network \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Events \(🔗\)](#)
 - [Humor \(🔗\)](#)
 - [YORGOO Daily Mail \(🔗\)](#)
- [Archives](#)
 - [May 2009](#)
 - [April 2009](#)
 - [March 2009](#)



Atahualpa YORGOO Media Logo

Atahualpa Header Fonts

As before, I just apply my colors and I print in normal and not in default bold.

Blog Title: Font Weight normal ▾ Default: bold	Make blog title bold or not.
Blog Title Color 000000 Default: 666666	The blog title default color.
Blog Title Color: Hover B30000 Default: 000000	The blog title hover color.
Show Blog Tagline? Yes ▾ Default: Yes	You can remove the blog tagline. The tagline can be set at Settings -> General.

Atahualpa Header Fonts

Header Styling

Note, I don't like dashed lines, so either I remove these lines or I print them solid. To make a dashed line solid, just replace the word 'dashed' by 'solid' in the style sheet entry. To make it disappear, either remove the whole line or set the width of the line to 0px (zero pixels).

In the Search Box field, I put the border weight to 0 pixels, the horizontal bars I print 'solid' whereas the first bar with a weight of 2 px and the second thinner with 1 px.

- *Blogroll*
 - o [Africa](#)
- *Contributors*
 - o [Fix Rss Feed](#)
- *RSS Feeds*
 - o [All posts](#)
 - o [All comments](#)
- *Meta*
 - o [Register](#)
 - o [Log in](#)

Search box

Style the searchbox in the header.

```
border: 0px dashed #cccccc;
border-bottom: 0;
width: 200px;
margin: 0;
padding: 0;
```

Default: **border: 1px dashed #cccccc; border-bottom: 0; width: 200px; margin: 0; padding: 0;**

Text in header search box

Type to search HERE

Default: **blank**

Horizontal Bar 1: Styling

2 (empty) horizontal bars are available, both of which you can style to span the whole layout width. You can style their background color and border.

```
height: 5px;
background: #ffffff;
border-top: solid 2px #B30000;
```

Default: **height: 5px; background: #ffffff; border-top: dashed 2px #B30000;**

Horizontal Bar 2: Styling

Style the 2nd horizontal bar here. You can use each one of these styles.

```
height: 5px;
background: #ffffff;
border-bottom: solid 1px #B30000;
```

Default: **height: 5px; background: #ffffff; border-bottom: dashed 1px #B30000;**

Atahualpa Header Styling

Atahualpa Header Images

I have created 8 header pictures in the format 1200×150 (corresponding to the max with allowed under the Layout definition). The pictures are named:

atahualpa_header_1.jpg

atahualpa_header_2.jpg

...

atahualpa_header_8.jpg



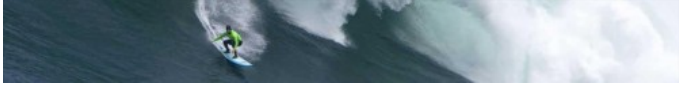
atahualpa_header_1



atahualpa_header_2



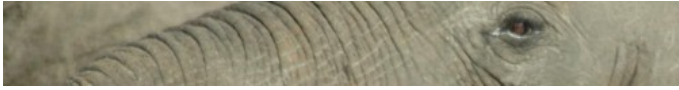
atahualpa_header_3



atahualpa_header_4



atahualpa_header_5



atahualpa_header_6



atahualpa_header_7



atahualpa_header_8

To upload the images, just open an existing post and load them using the same file names as indicated and don't insert the images into the post. You may load as many as you want, just change the number in the image name accordingly.

If you load only one picture, then you are all set. If you load multiple pictures, then configure the rotation. My settings are to rotate the pictures in an interval of 10 seconds.

Rotate header images with Javascript?
10 ▾
Default: **0**

Preload header images for Javascript rotation?
No ▾
Default: **Yes**

Make header image clickable?
Yes ▾
Default: **No**

Atahualpa Header Rotator

I don't want to preload the 8 pictures as it would slow down the loading time of the first page visited. Clicking on the header will lead visitors back to the home page.

Opacity

I use the default white opacity 40% and on a width corresponding to the width of the sidebars on full width.

Opacity LEFT: Value
40 ▾
Default: **40**

Opacity LEFT: Width
250
Default: **200**

Opacity LEFT: Color
FFFFFF
Default: **ffffff**

Atahualpa Header Opacity

Opacity RIGHT: Value
40
Default: **40**

Opacity RIGHT: Width
320
Default: **200**

Opacity RIGHT: Color
FFFFFF
Default: **ffffff**

Atahualpa Header Opacity Right

Atahualpa Page Menu Bar

Most is default, I just delete borders and adapt the colors:

Border around all menu items

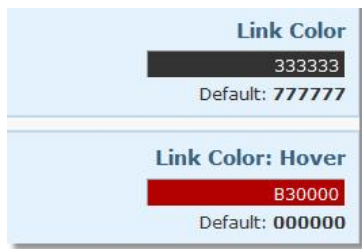
Default: **dashed 1px #cccccc**

Background color
FFFFFF
Default: **ffffff**

Background color: Hover
EEEEEE
Default: **eeeeee**

Background color: Parent
DDDDDD
Default: **dddddd**

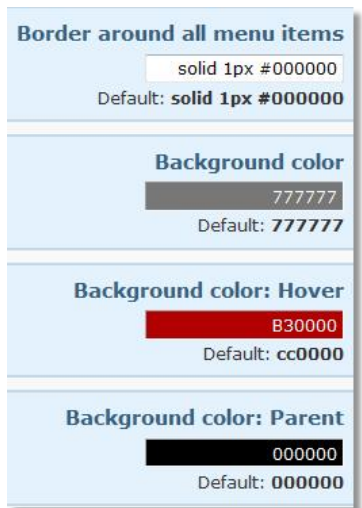
Font Size & Face
12px Arial, Verdana, sans-serif
Default: **11px Arial, Verdana, sans-serif**



Atahualpa Page Menu Bar

Atahualpa Category Menu Bar

Just adapt color.



Atahualpa Category Menu Bar

Atahualpa Next/Previous Navigation

I select in the first field to display the previous to the right and next to the left. Then I just modify at the bottom the styles by drawing 'solid' lines and modifying the color of the lines to my color B3000.

Style the Navigation TOP Box

Style the box that contains the next/previous navigation, with the following CSS:

```
margin: 0 0 10px 0;  
padding: 0 0 10px 0;  
border-bottom: solid 1px #B30000;
```

Default: **margin: 0 0 10px 0; padding: 0 0 10px 0; border-bottom: solid 1px #B30000;**

Style the Navigation MIDDLE Box

Style the box that contains the next/previous navigation, with the following CSS:

```
margin: 10px 0 20px 0;  
padding: 10px 0 10px 0;  
border-top: solid 1px #B30000;  
border-bottom: solid 1px #B30000;
```

Default: **margin: 10px 0 20px 0; padding: 10px 0 10px 0; border-top: solid 1px #B30000; border-bottom: solid 1px #B30000;**

Style the Navigation BOTTOM Box

Style the box that contains the next/previous navigation, with the following CSS:

```
margin: 20px 0 0 0;  
padding: 10px 0 0 0;  
border-top: solid 1px #B30000;
```

Default: **margin: 20px 0 0 0; padding: 10px 0 0 0; border-top: solid 1px #B30000;**

Atahualpa Next/Previous Navigation

Atahualpa Sidebars

Here are my width settings for the sidebars as well as the style modifications:

LEFT sidebar WIDTH
<input type="text" value="250"/>
Default: 200
RIGHT sidebar WIDTH
<input type="text" value="320"/>
Default: 200

Atahualpa Sidebars

LEFT sidebar style
Style the LEFT sidebar here. Usually all content is in the menu tabs above.

```
border-right: solid 1px #cccccc;  
padding: 10px 10px 10px 10px;  
background: #ffffff;
```

Default: **border-right: dashed 1px #CCCCCC**

RIGHT sidebar style
Style the RIGHT sidebar here.

```
border-left: solid 1px #cccccc;  
padding: 10px 10px 10px 10px;  
background: #ffffff;
```

Default: **border-left: dashed 1px #CCCCCC**

Atahualpa Sidebars Style

Atahualpa Widgets

Just adjust colors as per screen shot. Click on the image to see the original size of the table.

The image shows three configuration panels for list items in Atahualpa. Each panel has a title and a description, followed by a table of settings. The settings include: Left Margin for whole list, Left Border Width for Links, Left Border Color for Links, List Items and links inside (Left Border Hover Color for Links, Left Padding for Links, Link Text Weight, Link Text Color, Link Text Hover Color). The first panel is for 'Widget List Items' (1st level), the second for 'Widget List Items, 2nd level', and the third for 'Widget List Items, 3rd and lower level'. The 'List Items and links inside' section is highlighted in red in the screenshots.

Atahualpa Widgets

Atahualpa Footer

Just change the border to solid and 2 px as well as adapt the color:

Footer Style

Style the footer box and the text inside.

```
background-color: #ffffff;
border-top: solid 2px #B30000;
padding: 10px;
text-align: center;
color: #777777;
font-size: 95%;
```

Default: **background-color: #ffffff; bord**

Atahualpa Footer

Then add your Copyright notice:

Footer: Content

Content in the footer area. You can use PHP (in WordPress, but not in WPM

- ◆ %current-year% to display the current year
 - ◆ %page-XX% to display the full link for a specific page. Replace XX with the ID of t
 - ◆ %home% to display a full link to the homepage.
 - ◆ %logout% to display a full Login/Logout link
 - ◆ %admin% to display a full link to the admin area. (Will only be displayed for logg
 - ◆ %register% to display a full register link
 - ◆ %rss% to display (only) the URL for the RSS feed. This is not a full link, just the
 - ◆ %comments-rss% to display (only) the URL for the Comments RSS feed. This is no
- RSS" will not work here - nofollow would have to be included manually as show
- ◆ In HTML, © can be displayed with © , ™ with ™ and ® with &

```
Copyright &copy; %current-year% YORGOO Media - All Rights Reserved
```

Default: **Copyright © %current-year% %home% - All Rights Reser**

Atahualpa Copyright

Atahualpa for Africa YORGOO Media

The Atahualpa Theme is flexible and can be adapted to needs easily. Once you know what kinds of styles you like, you just focus on the few modifications needed to customize accordingly. There is a lot more you could modify as you can see from the Options Menu; however the default settings are quite fine on many of these features. My goal was to quickly have a user friendly site up and running and then move to the next instead of spending hours on the ultimate golden cut.

May this tutorial help.

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