

SharePoint Theme

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Apply Theme

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Preview

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Theme and System File

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Themes

- Out of the box, Microsoft provides 17 different themes
- Change theme
 - Site Actions > Site Settings > Site Theme
- Theme can only apply to a site.
- Theme files located at
 - C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\web server extensions\12\TEMPLATE\THEMES

Customise Theme

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The screenshot displays the Microsoft Office SharePoint Designer interface for editing a SharePoint site. The main window shows the 'default.aspx' file in design view. The page layout includes a header, a search bar, and several content areas: 'Announcements' with a recent entry about Windows SharePoint Services, a 'Calendar' section with no upcoming events, and a 'Links' section with no favorite links. The interface is divided into several panes: 'Folder List' on the left, 'Tag Properties' and 'CSS Properties' below it, 'Data Source Library' on the right, and 'Apply Styles' at the bottom right. The status bar at the bottom indicates the current file path and system information.

Customize Themes

- Using Microsoft SharePoint Designer
 - Theme files stored in the _themes folder.
 - Theme styles stored in the *65001.css
- Selected theme stored inside the database
- Uncustomised file = theme system file
- Customised file = theme stored in database
- Microsoft has stopped using the term “Ghosting” and “Ungosting”.

Customise Theme - Using Developer Tools

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The screenshot displays the Microsoft Office SharePoint Designer interface. The main window shows the code editor for the file `default.aspx`. The code includes a meta tag for the site name, a JavaScript function for navigation, and several ASP.NET content placeholders for search, left actions, and page description. The design view below the code shows a preview of the site layout with sections for 'Announcements', 'Calendar', and 'Links'. The 'Announcements' section contains a post titled 'Get Started with Windows SharePoint Services! NEW' by System Account. The 'Calendar' section indicates no upcoming events. The 'Links' section also indicates no favorite links. The interface includes a 'Folder List' on the left, a 'Tag Properties' pane, and an 'Apply Styles' pane on the right showing the 'core.css' style sheet with various classes like `.ms-alphaimage`, `.ms-alignleft`, `.ms-alignright`, `.ms-toolbar`, and `.ms-viewtoolbar`.

Customize Themes - Tools

- Heather Solomon CSS Reference Chart for SharePoint 2007
 - <http://www.heathersolomon.com/content/sp07cssreference.htm>
- Internet Explore - Developer Toolbar
- Firefox - Firebug

Customise Theme - customized & uncustomized

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The screenshot displays the Microsoft Office SharePoint Designer interface for a SharePoint site. The main window shows the 'default.aspx' file in 'Design' view, displaying a customized theme layout. The layout includes a header with 'Westpac > Site4', a navigation menu, and several content areas: 'Announcements' (with a post about Windows SharePoint Services), 'Calendar', and 'Links'. The interface also shows the 'Folder List' on the left, 'Tag Properties' at the bottom left, and 'Data Source Library' and 'Apply Styles' on the right. The 'Apply Styles' pane shows the 'core.css' style sheet selected, with various CSS classes like '.ms-alphaimage' and '.ms-alignleft' listed. The status bar at the bottom indicates the current file is 'calendar.aspx' and the style application is 'Auto'.

Create New Theme

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The screenshot displays the Microsoft Office SharePoint Designer interface. The main window shows the 'default.aspx' file in design view. The left pane shows the 'Folder List' for the site. The central design view shows a web page layout with sections like 'Announcements', 'Calendar', and 'Links'. The right pane shows the 'Data Source Library' and 'Apply Styles' options. The status bar at the bottom shows the current file path and system information.

Create a theme

- **Copy the contents of an existing theme folder**
 - C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\web server extensions\12\TEMPLATE\THEMES
- **Rename your theme folder**
- **Update INF file**
- **Update spsthemes.xml**
 - C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\web server extensions\12\TEMPLATE\LAYOUTS\1033
- **Create theme thumbnail**
 - C:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\web server extensions\12\TEMPLATE\IMAGES
- **IISRESET**
- **Apply theme to your site**

Customise Theme - scenarios

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Applying themes to many sites

- You can do it manually
- If you have hundreds many sites, it would takes many hours.
- You can use echo for SharePoint 2007
 - Nominate a source site
 - Select the elements to replicate (theme, navigation, etc)
 - Nominate destinations
 - Execute
- Echo can be used for migrations, rolling out web parts, applying changes in bulk.