

Espresso



Installation

To install your new theme, double-click the theme icon, titled **espresso.rwtheme**. Rapidweaver will install the theme and then pop-up a dialog box informing you that the theme is installed and that you now need to quit and restart RapidWeaver.

After exiting and then restarting RapidWeaver you will find your theme installed and ready to use inside the theme drawer.

Upgrades and updates

If you're upgrading from a previous version of a theme you will need to delete your old version before installing the new one. To do so, right-click (or ctrl-click) on the theme in the theme drawer and select delete. After deleting the previous version follow the above steps to install the new version.

* Be warned, deleting your theme will get rid of any data stored in it, such as custom headers, modified code, customized graphics, etc. Be sure to back up the data before deleting your old theme, if necessary.

Tasty!

Espresso is a RapidWeaver theme that is beautiful in design and versatile enough for just about any project. It is great for an online portfolio, a blog, a small business site, and so much more. It also has a ton of theme variations to help you customize your site with just a click or two of your mouse.



Width

Espresso offers great flexibility when it comes to the width of your site. You have the ability to change the width of both the header area and the body of the site independently. You're able to choose from the following widths for both (the default value is bolded):

- 1150 px
- 1050 px
- 950 px
- 850 px
- 750 px
- 650 px



Header

Espresso's header area is focused around the header stripe and the site logo.

You're able to choose from 17 different settings for the header stripe. You can choose from an opacity of 10 percent to 70 percent in both black and white header stripes. We also provide a couple other fancier settings and the ability to toggle the header stripe off altogether. Check out our walk thru video to get a better idea of what the header stripe is.

Espresso also comes with several logos built-in to the theme as well as the ability to place your own logo in the header via the Site Setup pane (see this video for how to do so).

You can place the logo on either the left or right side of the header. You can also toggle the Site Title and Slogan off and use the logo as your primary site title display.



Sidebar

In this theme you're able to place the sidebar in 3 different locations, or turn it off altogether. You can place the sidebar on the right- or left-hand side of the site.

You can also choose to place the sidebar bar at the top of the site, between the menu and the header stripe.

Do note however that when placing the sidebar at the top on a blog page, it will not contain the blog's archive and RSS feed links.

Menu

Espresso sports a split navigation menu system similar to that of our Aqua theme. The top level, or parent menu, is located horizontally beneath the header stripe. The secondary, or child menu items, are located at the top of the sidebar (when they exist). You can see the split navigation menu at work in our preview site. We also offer a bevy of different styles for the horizontal menu. Twelve in total.

Background

This theme offers eighteen different background styles for you to choose from. It allows you to choose graphical backgrounds like spilled coffee stains, to graph paper and gradients, and more. It also offers you the ability of using the built-in RapidWeaver color picker to choose just the right color for your background.



Colors

This theme integrates RapidWeaver's color picker. Using the color picker, you can easily edit the look and feel of your site. All without ever touching any code!

You can edit these parts of the theme with the color picker:

- Site background
- Body font
- Sidebar font
- Sidebar title
- Links
- Sidebar links
- Sidebar background
- Sidebar border
- Site title
- Site slogan
- Blog entry titles
- Sub menu font
- Sub menu background
- Sub menu bar current page
- Sub menu selected current page font
- Sub menu bar hover
- Sub menu bar hover font
- Blockquote background
- Blockquote text
- Footer type
- Footer divider line

Aa Fonts

Espresso allows you to modify the font style for the Site Title and Slogan, Body, Sidebar and Blog Entry Titles. You can also choose different font sizes for the Body and Sidebar.

Note: Fonts display differently across different operating systems and browsers. Compatible fonts have been chosen for other browsers. For instance, in Windows your users will see Airl instead of Helvetica Neue Light.

Moving into the future

For Espresso's sidebar and blockquote we're using a method for rounding the corners that is part of the CSS 3 standard. This is used on many popular sites and services like Twitter and Apple. It provides nice, lightweight, rounded corners and in older browsers that do not support it it degrades gracefully to normal squared off boxes as to not cause problems for your users.

Support

You can find help if you need it by going to www.elixirgraphics.com/helpdesk where you will find a Frequently Asked Questions page, tutorial videos, a link to the RapidWeaver support forums and our contact form.

Technical support

Elixir's themes are provided "as is" without warranty above and beyond updates, bug fixes or repairs. You may alter the appearance of the theme or its graphics, but only for your personal use. Any modifications are at the sole risk of the user and elixir graphics does not guarantee the performance of any package which has been altered or modified. We also can not provide support for modified themes or graphics. You are responsible for adding or editing your website's content. Technical support will be limited to problems specifically associated with unaltered themes in normal conditions. We do not have the resources to offer free Rapidweaver technical support or to provide training on how to use Rapidweaver. A complete Rapidweaver user manual can be located [here](#), and the Rapidweaver forums are a great resource for all sorts of Rapidweaver questions. We do offer support relating to our products and encourage you to report any bugs or problems you have with one of them as well as we welcome any questions you may have about one of our products.

Image usage

Images, photos, and graphics may not be used anywhere other than in sites developed which are related to the theme(s) you have purchased from elixir.

Plug-in compatibility

Our themes work with a variety of third-party Rapidweaver plug-ins. While the themes work with these plug-ins we can not and do not offer technical support for these plug-ins and their use in developing your site.

Browser compatibility

We have tested our products in the latest versions of Safari, IE6, IE7, and Firefox but make no warranties that their performance will be identical in all browsers. The user experience will be such that any difference will hopefully go unnoticed. Please understand that some technologies are beyond our control.

Restrictions

Our themes, style sheets, and images may not be resold, distributed, or added to any type of collection. They may not be offered for download or use from any website nor placed online for promotional purposes. Each template must be used as supplied for its original intended purpose. This simply means you may not select images or code from the themes or style sheets to add to another application.

Modifications and customizations

We do not provide support for making modifications or customizations to themes. We also do not offer support for themes which have been modified or for coding of which you have added to your project either internally to the theme or through RapidWeaver itself.