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Thread: [\[Showcase\] Give me feedback on my first blog!](#)

BlueShiftXD - April 12, 2018, 1:56 pm

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Site Link: [Click Here](#)

Thanks guys!

LuX98 - April 12, 2018, 2:00 pm

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.kr. - April 15, 2018, 8:20 am

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Fakeshoes - April 15, 2018, 10:08 am

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Consecvent - April 15, 2018, 10:44 am

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Good work!

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BlueShiftXD - April 16, 2018, 7:34 am

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disable directory listing (uploads)Yeah, I'm struggling with image quality. I'm going to have to try your suggestion!

I'll take a look into the icon and I disabled directory listings. Thanks for the suggestions!

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r1ck - April 22, 2018, 4:57 am

Looks very good OP!

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Will keep on looking at it from time to time

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Ganja - April 23, 2018, 4:44 am

-> use PNG file format for images with text in them (headers)

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-> On my monitor your site only takes up a small portion of the screen, which isn't really a problem, but the background pattern does become annoying.

Goodluck!

BlueShiftXD - April 23, 2018, 4:52 am

(Apr 22, 2018 06:29 AM)r1ck Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) With pleasure!

What font are you using there?

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Thanks! ?

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Goodluck!! I have someone working on the headers at the moment, actually. Site loading speed will be greatly improved when I upgrade my hosting server as it's running on a shared server at the moment.

I'll take a closer look at the pattern thing and see what I can do! Thanks for your thoughts ?

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Sent you a PM with a test banner I created for your top post

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I updated the header designs!
However I'm going to stick with jpeg until I get my new server ?

abdel - April 24, 2018, 5:11 pm

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Allelujah - April 24, 2018, 7:14 pm

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SIM-74411 - April 25, 2018, 7:35 am

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Cheers

r1ck - April 26, 2018, 12:55 am

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BlueShiftXD - May 9, 2018, 11:42 am

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However, I think that the site is looking well so far. It's still missing some vital bits like a home page that describes the site well and other small bits and bobs.

I feel that the way I deliver the content is a big part of why people relate to the blog. So while your point about conflicting design and delivery is good, I think that this could be an exception.

The site doesn't actually make money, it's mainly intended to help people and for making connections with people.

I think if you start something off with the intention of making money from it, it can sway you from the

objective of the site.

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patriciag - November 15, 2019, 11:44 pm

please could you send me your autopilot method? I really need get a good amount of money as soon as possible

Bulletbling1 - December 29, 2019, 7:25 pm

Website took a little while to load, but I really like the look of the blog. Very simple and easy to navigate.