

Forum:[Hack Forums](#)

Thread: [Theme Update](#)

Omniscient - September 5, 2022, 1:21 pm

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Enjoy and thank you.

source - September 5, 2022, 1:22 pm

Looks clean for profiles

?nxy - September 5, 2022, 1:23 pm

I just love the OG look, very nice.

Nas - September 5, 2022, 1:25 pm

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Ombra - September 5, 2022, 1:29 pm

I will have to get used to the new theme, it looks a little bit empty without the mosaic. Just a matter of time, as always.

Omniscient - September 5, 2022, 1:36 pm

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Omniscient - September 5, 2022, 1:39 pm

(Sep 5, 2022 01:37 PM)ZELOS Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I switched to "Mobale green". I like it. : -)

On Green now. One of my favs too. I try to use all the themes except the Red which I don't really like but members wanted a Red version so I added it.

Happeh - September 5, 2022, 1:43 pm

Was beta testing the red one, ultimately I don't mind the changes but I'm not the biggest fan of the completely grey background. Maybe just a me thing but it lacks some texture, doesn't have to be a strong mosiac but it feels a little too plain. That's my only real complaint. I like the rest.

Nas - September 5, 2022, 1:43 pm

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Just my opinion

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(Sep 5, 2022 01:47 PM)php Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I like this idea, darker background would work great

Nas - September 5, 2022, 1:52 pm

Also on a site note, IMO I like the change as well as the logo, the only thing that's off is the background. Usually when designing a software or project you want to use a 5 color combination palette in the UI/UX design as it helps the end users focus on items you want to bring their attention to. IMO based on my experience in Project Managing, making it a singular color impacts the communication as well as attention.

flavoral - September 5, 2022, 2:06 pm

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I dig this more. Much "calmer" for the eyes.

Wafflemonger - September 5, 2022, 2:06 pm

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with my testing. You appear to have a high-resolution for a mobile.

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Oh, I see. That might indeed be the reason, I have the Galazy ZFold 4 which has about a 7.3-inch screen size when opened up. If it's too much of an issue then no worries as I don't believe much people have that phone.

And actually I think the opposite, I think a brighter color than the gray would be better unlike every other suggestion. It will make the site look more friendly for newcomers who stumble upon the site. While also making it feel more modern. I predict having a lighter background color might actually have an affect of retaining even more new users.

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Quote: I have the Galazy ZFold 4 which has about a 7.3-inch screen size when opened up. If it's too much of an issue then no worries as I don't believe much people have that phone.

Well, it's something I should be aware of and keep an eye on. So I don't fault you for pointing out the issue.

Quote:I think a brighter color than the gray would be better unlike every other person's suggestion Black or darker makes the site look potentially blackhat. Weird but true. And going lighter doesn't look so great imho, just clashes. Ultimately people don't realize I test a full range of options before I make my decision. And there are other elements to consider which if the BG was black I'd have more to change to make the theme usable, which I am not wanting to do. Hoping to brighten HF even more someday.

Skorp - September 5, 2022, 2:34 pm

Layout changes never bothered me on here before, as long as I can use the site but only note is the

eye to hide the logo is really dark which fades into the grey color (not sure if intentional). Other than that, layout looks awesome :D

Omniscient - September 5, 2022, 2:39 pm

The hide-eye is suppose to be subtle. I may end up putting an outline on it, something to give it a slightly more visible view.

Pikachu - September 5, 2022, 2:56 pm

I noticed this change right away, I like it better this way. Thanks for the update!

Angela White - September 5, 2022, 3:05 pm

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Wafflemonger - September 5, 2022, 3:23 pm

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SIM-1169085 - September 5, 2022, 3:29 pm

I like the design.

Wouldn't mind a small design in addition to the grey background.

Keep the background grey but maybe add some black/dark repeating images that run across the entire background.

Just a suggestion because atm I feel the grey background is nice but too plain.

Maybe I just need to get used to it.

Omniscient - September 5, 2022, 3:29 pm

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And making it black because that's what you are personally used to for negative space doesn't mean everyone else wants that. I know others agree with that but I'm not going to do it.

I'd have thought getting rid of that mosaic on such a huge resolution would be nicer on the eyes.

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Gary Clark Jr. - September 5, 2022, 3:46 pm

Any chance a light theme could get added? I love that the mosaic background is finally gone.

Kosmos - September 5, 2022, 4:17 pm

Any way you can let us pick and choose which themes to use, even old ones? Shelving them doesn't always mean you have to delete them from the site. Just update the default for the newest one you wanna push out and give us options between the broken CSS look and a beautiful mosaic look. I quite liked the mosaic ish background.

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(Sep 5, 2022 04:23 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) There would need to be multiple global css files or he would have to pack everything into 1 I believe.

Wouldn't be good in the long run IMO

Damn, that's a shame, it sounds like quite the bottleneck. RIP. I guess I'll have to get used to it then, lol.

Wafflemonger - September 5, 2022, 4:32 pm

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I'd have thought getting rid of that mosaic on such a huge resolution would be nicer on the eyes. The dark-blue/black mosaic was actually quite nice on it. When I read the forums I normally sit far away since I lurk 95% of the time. Usually it's not an issue and I quite enjoy it. Not sure how doable this is, but what about letting people select the colour of background they want? I remember many years ago when forums were solid-background colours they'd have all the standard colours to select from.

No idea how feasible that is for this forum though. May not be. Either way figured I'd throw it out there.

EDIT: Ninja'd by 10 minutes. Nevermind, doesn't sound feasible :D.

Oak - September 5, 2022, 6:34 pm

Tbh I like it more. Somewhat reminds me of the theme pre-mosaic. Very clean.

Deformed - September 5, 2022, 6:47 pm

Thank you for keeping some personality to it and not doing a soulless, oversimplified theme.

Also this is very tiny but maybe consider adding a little space to the "packets, posts, and punks". Something about it sitting on the line just doesn't look right

Cooligan - September 5, 2022, 6:49 pm

Loving the purple theme update. Looks really good with the background.

Komodo - September 5, 2022, 6:52 pm

Looks awesome.

From a normal iPhone point of view I have no issues with the color, resolution, or the banner being in the way. Honestly prefer it all a lighter shade of gray throughout every element.

Cool update, thanks Omni.

N1ghtm4re - September 5, 2022, 6:54 pm

A Monochrome theme would be cool, I really wish HF would just hire a front-end developer by now.

Rem - September 5, 2022, 7:33 pm

It's certainly a welcome update, especially with much of HF's uniqueness remaining and not being oversimplified.

Part of me is going to miss the mosaic background that HF had over the past decade that I've been here, but I do welcome a nice change.

Evil - September 5, 2022, 8:27 pm

I sparsely visit the site to lurk and I'd just like to say I love the new logo.

Pyro - September 5, 2022, 9:28 pm

i preferred those lil bricks in the back, not gonna lie

Upgrader - September 5, 2022, 9:36 pm

(Sep 5, 2022 03:05 PM)Angela White Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) ngl not the biggest fan of the all-gray background. Something about it hurts my eyes. Haven't tried it on mobile, though. It's fine though Agreed, I like the darker gray background others pitched. Either way I like the move towards change, whether it's well taken in the beginning or not.

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Does it also support 8K out of curiosity?

Also do you have a screenshot of what the old mobale theme looked like with your resolution? Would be cool to see.

Osivien - September 6, 2022, 12:45 am

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Terry A. Davis - September 6, 2022, 1:45 am

I don't like the gray it is very bland, although it highlights the flat look which I like so I guess it's not all bad?

Ninja™ - September 6, 2022, 1:55 am

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Like this theme! ?

BiNBo - September 6, 2022, 5:39 am

Definitely threw me for a loop after being off for a few days. Love the overall look though! The gray is nice, but it does seem to all blend together a little bit. I'm unsure of changing the background to straight black. However, I do think a slightly darker shade of gray would be excellent. Going to try them all out though, the green seems cool!

mickeh - September 6, 2022, 6:13 am

I actually like the new design, it fits nice on my TV monitor

Sierra-117 - September 6, 2022, 6:32 am

The grey on grey is a bit tough to look at and differentiate elements of the site with, something slightly darker might still be worth considering. It doesn't have to be black or anything, maybe something very slightly darker. I personally thought #252525 or #272727 make it look a bit easier to view/see.

GenericSkid - September 6, 2022, 7:07 am

(Sep 6, 2022 12:45 AM)Philion Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I really like all the changes except for the bg, would be really cool to add a bit of texture, just my opinion.

I would also very much like the ability to change the BG color.

Some thoughts on the matter:

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- Logo toggle button (?)
- Current hovered forum tab (Hack Social Tech Market Money)

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I also noticed the current logo is a non-transparent PNG, so that would need to be updated to support any sort of theme modification.

(Sep 5, 2022 01:22 PM)source Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Looks clean for profiles
Alternative to the darker BG, a similar effect to how <divs> are given in profiles. I'm a sucker for perceived depth. I'd love to see some neumorphism or something similar down the road.

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 8:39 am

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I'm aware. And maybe it's intentional too just to fuck with your custom modification. If you noticed, most HF images like the awards, group images, and ficons are NOT transparent.

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I am still considering alterations to those. Please show patience. I didn't want drastic changes. Literally this update is just 2 elements (logo and background).

Zero - September 6, 2022, 9:09 am

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Good lord, to me that just looks like I'm zoomed out to 50%.

I'm actually typing this post like that now and I can still read it, but damn this would be really funky getting used to.

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ThrillQuks - September 6, 2022, 10:16 am

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Bastille - September 6, 2022, 10:23 am

Not really fond of the theme .. Sorry

Too flat, no layers, everything is just the same grey almost everywhere. I saw some members talked about a darker background, I really like this idea

Vince - September 6, 2022, 10:32 am

(Sep 6, 2022 10:16 AM)ThrillQuks Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) it looks pale, characterless, it's just a grey color there's not even any patterns or anything

Have to ask, what big websites do you know of that really have any "patterns" as their background anymore?

Almonds - September 6, 2022, 10:41 am

I'm digging it.. good job!

Cooligan - September 6, 2022, 10:51 am

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My favorite hands down has to be the purple one, it just blends really well together and is really easy on the eyes. That and when you hover or click certain links it highlights purple which yes it has done for a while now, however it just stands out so much more now and it looks great.

Beladonis - September 6, 2022, 11:10 am

I wish the background color was either slightly darker or brighter, to increase contrasts.

Refusal - September 6, 2022, 11:26 am

I like it, its a definite improvement. Here is my take and opinion on some improvements.

- Slightly darker background to offset threads and postbit content.
- A more modern logo

Wafflemonger - September 6, 2022, 11:36 am

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It does technically support 8k, but it looks kinda blurry as it uses software tricks as oppose to actually having the pixels for 8k display. However the display is native 4k.

As for how the previous theme looked, while I have no screenshot it wouldn't be hard to imagine, it looked the same just had the blue/black squares (with the colour differences that came with it). Admittedly I never had the logo shown when I used that theme, but have it shown now as it adds some colour haha.

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saying hackforums is big site is funny, most posts here take months to get replies
i know a few that have patterns or at least their background color don't confuse me

Migos - September 6, 2022, 12:15 pm

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Smooth like butter i will enjoy thank you.

VGO - September 6, 2022, 12:17 pm

I like the new theme with the purple colour 100% Sick and PRO.
Thanks.

ThrillQuks - September 6, 2022, 12:33 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 12:23 PM)Incog Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#)

Interested to hear your example of a "big site", also most of the time a post will not get replies because it is in an inactive area, did you expect 40k active enthusiasts of IoT technology or something? or 100k active lounge users or game section users?

and patterns make it more vibrant in some sense, but if you are deadset on that use a script or something ?

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Cyam - September 6, 2022, 12:55 pm

[Omniscient](#)

Are you still 100% for the background to remain the same grey? I know you did type somewhere in the thread that you like how it blends.

It would be interesting to see what users think in a poll or something about the background being darker honestly.

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Active with fucking spam and leechers lmao, HF is the only HQ forum left stfu

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(Sep 6, 2022 12:58 PM)shatter Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I'm pretty sure he listed multiple reasons as to why he didn't want the site being darker. One of them being association to actual blackhat forums.

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Note, I am not sure if it is the same developer but do not use an add-on with the same name for

firefox

<https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/stylish/>

Developer has since added spyware into the code.

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/stylish-custom-themes-for-fjbnbpbmkenffdngjfgmeleoegfcffe?hl=en>

I'm using this, I don't think it's the same thing but thanks for the heads up.

Cooligan - September 6, 2022, 1:35 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 11:01 AM)Incog Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Didn't even mf realise purple was a thing, now main colour choice

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Ooo that does look really nice ngl. Personally I love the gradient effect, I think it makes things look very crisp and sharp, professional as well. I'm also just more of a darker theme fan in general anyway.

I gotta say though the new HF theme definitely is growing on me. I just think I'll miss being able to use the mobale theme in the future.

? Soufian ? - September 6, 2022, 2:07 pm

Sorry I prefer having some kind of pattern, everything looks way too gray for me.

I can't handle the flat background want to separate the content from the background.

For those who want to revert back to the old bg, use this Chrome extension:

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/stylebot/oiaejdbmkiecgbejfoejpgmdaleoha>

And throw in this CSS:

Code body {

```
background-image: url('https://hackforums.net/images/mobale/mosaic_bl.png');
}
```

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 2:34 pm

Background will remain this color. Some like it, some don't. To those who don't like it, too fucking bad.

Vip?r - September 6, 2022, 3:17 pm

oof, the mosaic background was one of my favorite design parts of HF. Idk why but it fit really well and looked super clean imo.

:(

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 3:21 pm

So it's been 4 years we've run that previous theme.

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5876644>

Prawnster - September 6, 2022, 3:27 pm

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but since Stanley is technically a user, probably I guess?

Idk, I think if it included Stanley, he'd be the top poster on that list considering he probably bumps like 20 threads every hour or so and that's just in the premium sellers section. Just a guess tho.

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Note that a Stanley bump in the same thread simply updates a single posts timestamp. It doesn't create 10 posts, just one. Last 24 hours for example looks like Stanley has about 50-60 posts.

Prawnster - September 6, 2022, 3:35 pm

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Oh shit yeah good point, so technically he doesn't make too many posts; however, I'm guessing this still means his aren't counted in as the top poster at the minute only has 36 posts?

Vip?r - September 6, 2022, 3:49 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 03:38 PM)Incog Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) the direct links (for now) for the mosiacs are still available on the site, so if you use a plugin to modify css with the logo as the background, would work for you if you wanted it that hard.

I have done something similar:

Do you have a link for the plugin?

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 4:00 pm

You're all fags for not at least trying to live with the current theme for a week.

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 4:55 pm

I just fixed a ton of errors in the CSS files. You should do a CTRL+F5 and get the latest version. And LMK if there is anything funny. I made sure the main CSS files passed validation.

ep1capple - September 6, 2022, 5:51 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 04:00 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You're all fags for not at least trying to live with the current theme for a week.

ROFL you know how it is people hate change. I for one welcome back the clean retro HF feel.

Nuworld - September 6, 2022, 6:04 pm

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I have done something similar:

Ever hear of control-f5 you should try it before trying to change things

Brendan - September 6, 2022, 6:30 pm

I don't mind this, looks like you've changed the thickness of the borders around posts/reply box. That was my only problem before but they stand out a lot more to me now.

source - September 6, 2022, 6:57 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 06:35 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) For anyone that uses HFX, if you enable Enable Background Shadow via Global > Theme Customizer, it will make the background a darker shade of whatever Omni sets it to.

Aside from this, I don't really plan to support all of the different themes people are suggesting.

TBH the native theme is good - just take a couple of days to get used to it.

Preview [\(Click to View\)](#)

Fine ill get HFX now

Malevolent - September 6, 2022, 7:07 pm

Honestly, the plain look isn't too bad.
Fewer assets to load and fewer distractions.

That being said, have you considered a darker background color?
Say #111111 or some shade that's bordering on black, but still has some color to it?
I find that the current background shade almost gives me a headache.
It's the way that it contrasts with the borders of the postbit.

Kosmos - September 6, 2022, 7:48 pm

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I forgot about HFX. Thanks for the tips. The native theme isn't bad, but it isn't necessarily good either, but that's just my own opinion. I feel like the plugin is a better alternative so we at least can swap the look of a 90s-ish minimalist website with something else for ourselves without having to complain or bitch about it. It's a win-win, imo. Everyone is happy. Nobody should have a reason to complain about it because all it does is upset people who do actually like it. There's nothing wrong with liking it either. It is up to everyone's personal preference and it honestly should be without a plugin at all.

This is all just my opinion, I'm not complaining or passive aggressively judging and whining.

SoulZeh - September 6, 2022, 8:14 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 07:02 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Next update will add "Mobale Blue", the previous theme, to the dropdown.
So are you gonna add the font thing too?

sneezing panda - September 6, 2022, 8:31 pm

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Thanks adam, this makes the forum much easier to read for me. Keeps me focused on the post itself.

Omniscient - September 6, 2022, 8:38 pm

You clowns don't understand what I have planned. You are gonna regret your decisions.

Kosmos - September 6, 2022, 8:40 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 08:38 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You clowns don't understand what I have planned. You are gonna regret your decisions.

I just assumed that was the main idea for the theme. I'll stick with the native theme, and I'd love to see what you've got planned. I shouldn't have assumed lol.

source - September 6, 2022, 8:51 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 08:38 PM)Omniscient Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) You clowns don't understand what I have planned. You are gonna regret your decisions.

As [Cuthbert](#) would say, our sins can be forgiven.

Cuthbert - September 6, 2022, 8:53 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 08:51 PM)source Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) As [Cuthbert](#) would say, our sins can be forgiven. Can be, though it's not certain if God will forgive them.

source - September 6, 2022, 8:53 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 08:53 PM)Cuthbert Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Can be, though it's not certain if God will forgive them.

Shit cuthbert ill smoke a joint to that. amen

Zero - September 6, 2022, 9:53 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 09:46 AM)Cooligan Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Good lord, to me that just looks like I'm zoomed out to 50%.

I'm actually typing this post like that now and I can still read it, but damn this would be really funky getting used to.

Spoiler [\(Click to View\)](#)

I use 43 inches monitor. Not wide.

Cooligan - September 6, 2022, 10:15 pm

(Sep 6, 2022 09:53 PM)Zero Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I use 43 inches monitor. Not wide. Sheesh. And I thought my 32 inch TV was big for a monitor ?

Blazin - September 6, 2022, 11:14 pm

Themes definitely look more clean now without the image in the bg. Good touch up on the themes.

xtray86 - September 7, 2022, 2:50 am

Well, I guess it's just a matter of getting used to it

opsec667 - September 7, 2022, 3:38 am

I'm digging it. good job staff!

Eran - September 7, 2022, 3:48 am

I love the OG logo however I miss the background :(

Wafflemonger - September 7, 2022, 7:26 am

(Sep 7, 2022 04:04 AM)Dyne Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) The mosaic was very dated imo.

Yeah, things need to be refreshed every so often. Especially when other changes are coming as Omni stated a couple pages ago. I just wish that everything wasn't a shade of grey. For someone like myself, my brain works best when there's a difference. It helps me keep focus on what matters. When everything is the same colour, I find it much harder to look at the threads. My eyes begin to wander to other sides multiple times per post. It just makes everything extremely difficult to pay attention to.

EDIT: Plus after looking at the screen for any extended length of time and I look elsewhere, I see the grey colour remnants lol. It actually hurts.

SIM-587985 - September 7, 2022, 7:35 am

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I got you bud.

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Cyam - September 7, 2022, 7:52 am

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Once again, you can use a Chrome extension to get a custom theme for HF (Dark) cause Omni said multiple times he ain't changing it

<https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/stylish-custom-themes-for/fjbnbpbmkenffdnngjfgmeleoegfcffe?hl=en>

EDIT: It doesn't affect the performance or anything, it's a very subtle change

Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 8:22 am

(Sep 6, 2022 09:53 PM)Zero Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I use 43 inches monitor. Not wide. I just don't know what to do with that.

Can someone do me a favor that has a huge screen? Screenshot HF and Reddit. I have yet to find an example of a website that attempts to utilize that much screen space. Everyone is working to go smaller for mobile, not trying to blow up a site size to fit massive resolutions. HF right now maxes out around 1500px width. Do I make that larger? Do I make an enormous logo and then @media

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The user above this quote shares a similar screenshot to what I would experience. Not really a huge screen either (32in)

u?op ?pisdn - September 7, 2022, 8:58 am

Looks good! great work as always

Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 9:01 am

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I think some of you are just acting like bitches instead of actually just trying to use the site for more than 10 minutes. "oh my eyes, whine whine whine". Such bullshit. Makes me want to close your

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Never said I always use it for a single window. Right now I'm watching a YT video. But there are times when I want to just sit back and read forum posts or sub-reddits. Having multiple things open at all times is not a prerequisite to having a large monitor.

Not sure why you're now making personal attacks just because some people don't like the design. For me personally, my eyes wander easily when everything is the same colour. In the sub-reddit it's not eye straining at all. I sit 6 feet away and use the remote to read it. Everything can be read perfectly fine and I spend sometimes 1h+ just reading topics/comments on it.

I'm sure you're right that there are people complaining for the sake of complaining, or that they don't like change or whatever. For me personally though that's not the case and there's no need to make comments like that when all I'm trying to do is put my point of view across.

I will no longer do so.

Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 9:14 am

FUCK ALL OF YOU.

I think this looks like SHIT.

CTRL+F5

FUCK YOU CUNTS

Nuworld - September 7, 2022, 9:17 am

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I would like to know why anyone would need such a large screen to begin with.
Anything over 24 inch is just over kill.

As for the ones crying? They just think bigger is better and in most cases it's not.

Herion - September 7, 2022, 9:18 am

Tbf, I like this more than it used to be.