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Thread: [HF Background Color Choices](#)

Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 4:16 pm

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Enjoy and thank you.

Komodo - September 7, 2022, 4:18 pm

Honestly a pretty smart alternative to everyone having their own opinion on the theme color. Thanks for that Omni.

Cooligan - September 7, 2022, 4:19 pm

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This is awesome! I love the different color tones and honestly not sure which one I like better, the lighter option that was changed to originally or the darkest black option. On the fence.

Regardless though I really like having the option to switch back and forth, so that's pretty cool.

Thanks bossman :)

edit: Now that I think about it, I really like all three options lol.

source - September 7, 2022, 4:20 pm

Awesome update, thanks for adding these functions!

Impressive outcome.

webdev77 - September 7, 2022, 4:22 pm

Nice color choices. Now nobody needs to miss out on all the nice colors.

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Beladonis - September 7, 2022, 4:24 pm

Excellent. Thanks for this update.

Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 4:27 pm

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Okay update:

I'm pretty sure the middle theme is my favorite. It makes everything stand out nicely, it's clean, it's light enough to where it's not totally black and has some character, and not dark enough to where you can't see the definition in different aspects of the forum.

Take the 3 screenshots below for example. Look at the border color of each of the Popularity updates; the lighter you go the more definition you see, the darker the less. However the middle, in my opinion you see a perfect amount of both, and that's how I feel about the rest of the site in terms of definition with the middle theme option. Also take a look at how each button highlights purple when hovered on the different themes:

Light Grey: [\(Click to View\)](#)

Dark Grey: [\(Click to View\)](#)

Black: [\(Click to View\)](#)

Gary Clark Jr. - September 7, 2022, 4:56 pm

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CC [mention=1306528] because tag didn't go through

Gary - September 7, 2022, 5:01 pm

The middle one is the best way to go for me! Reminds me of HF Flat Darkness.

?nxy - September 7, 2022, 5:43 pm

Love what you're doing to the site man.

Bullup - September 7, 2022, 6:08 pm

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Omniscient - September 7, 2022, 6:09 pm

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Allelujah - September 7, 2022, 6:17 pm

can we get a white option? that would be pretty good

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I completely agree, it is such a big upgrade to the site and too daily HF usage, also being able to switch between main colors (red, green, yellow, purple, orange, white etc..) would be insanely cool as well and make things so much more modern, eventho i already love the site template as is right now, that would definitely bring things to a different level for many users.

Upgrader - September 7, 2022, 6:17 pm

Love the darker gray alternative, thank you for adding this!

Game - September 7, 2022, 6:19 pm

This is pretty cool. If no one else beats me to it, I'll create the tutorial for editing the colours via cookie tomorrow or the day after.

Nice compromise, thanks Jesse!

Kosmos - September 7, 2022, 6:31 pm

This is the perfect solution, thanks for the update. It turned out being better than any idea I'd have.

Cap - September 7, 2022, 7:46 pm

This is a really cool update! I'm loving the middle color - it blends so well and easy on the eyes. Really cleans it up and looks great!

\$hady - September 7, 2022, 7:52 pm

I love it. Thanks for the new update g

jcole - September 7, 2022, 9:31 pm

I really like the dark theme option for the forum. Good job Omni looks great.

Cap - September 7, 2022, 9:40 pm

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I just submitted a blog tutorial on how to do this. Now I'm just waiting for approval on the blog.

Lilith - September 7, 2022, 11:08 pm

Damn, that's a nifty lil feature. I love it.

licker98 - September 8, 2022, 3:28 am

The coolest thing about HF is that you can change the theme to your liking, so I'm glad you let us choose the background colours too. The flat colour gives the site a bit of an old-school vibe which is cool.

SoulZeh - September 8, 2022, 3:33 am

(Sep 7, 2022 04:27 PM)James Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This is a great solution that leaves everyone happy. Thanks for the addition.

So you think, I bet someone will end up moaning about it, there is always one.

But nice update.

MavenGradle - September 8, 2022, 3:40 am

(Sep 7, 2022 05:29 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thanks.

I'll let someone else make the tutorial/script for this bad boy.

It's really easy this time around.

Ps: would not recommend setting your BG color to white.

Just run this in your browser console for some extra fun!

Code `Cookie.set('mybb_bgcolor', '#ff0000');`

Ugly stuff here [\(Click to View\)](#)

Bullup - September 8, 2022, 5:39 am

(Sep 8, 2022 12:45 AM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Who needs a tutorial when you can have a buggy userscript I wrote in 45 mins:

[HF Custom Background Color Userscript](#)

I'm busy af this weekend, but I'll clean up the code when I get home next week.

I was replying to Omni talking about changing the 3 main colors which are now red, green, and

blue, in the same manner you can now change the background.
Make that userscript for those 3 main colors, not the background.

VGO - September 8, 2022, 5:46 am

Hi, It's very neat and PRO.
Thank you for this amazing feature.

Refusal - September 8, 2022, 6:05 am

Yes, we spoke, he listened.

The theme itself looks nice now. something so simple makes such a visual improvement. currently using the middle option. although the black option looks nice as well.

Refusal - September 8, 2022, 9:27 am

Hmm might be just for me, not sure if anyone else can confirm.

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It doesn't stick. It defaults back after navigating to another page

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The middle one is the default CSS. So my guess is that you didn't CTRL+F5 the page to get the newest CSS file.

The Pact - September 9, 2022, 1:35 am

I am very happy that those who are Uber and not in any group no longer have their usernames very hard to see against the old background. Nice.

All the new revamps to the site are much better. I always thought it was sad that the money forum was way off to the side where it wasn't getting any attention and I hope it now will get more attention too. And usually I HATE revamps to any site I regularly use, but these are very easy to adjust to, and are better.

Bastille - September 9, 2022, 3:10 am

Great to see you've considered reviews of members, I'm using the darkest, looks very nice

ZuGgY - September 9, 2022, 4:09 pm

Sweet. Dark it is for me. Thanks for the update!

Pikachu - September 9, 2022, 9:03 pm

I do like this feature. I find myself alternating between the dark gray and the black every so often

vyactor - September 9, 2022, 9:20 pm

Saw that just now lol. Is a great addition, I assume.

Cap - September 13, 2022, 6:59 pm

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Omniscient - September 14, 2022, 2:12 pm

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Very easy to just edit the cookie. No need imho to install a userscript.

Cooligan - September 14, 2022, 8:05 pm

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Damn, not gonna lie I didn't even know about this. This is awesome.

Thanks a lot for the share brotha.

If it were still 2014 or so~

+3

Blockonome - September 15, 2022, 4:00 am

I like this new style very much! Appreciate the change and looking forward to see more development on HF!