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Hackers - January 10, 2024, 6:23 pm

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Jamika - January 14, 2024, 9:58 am

I would choose violet may be or blue, but the color now is good enough, i like it tbh

hayesh - January 14, 2024, 3:49 pm

maybe it would be cool if you could pick from an array of theme

DashPHP - January 16, 2024, 5:45 am

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DashPHP - January 17, 2024, 1:07 am

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beastx000 - February 19, 2024, 1:55 pm

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Monero-chan - February 20, 2024, 1:01 am

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Hackers - April 28, 2024, 10:03 pm

(Feb 19, 2024 02:55 PM)beastx000 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I like this one . . .

I went to another site today and genuinely missed the HF feel. It was hard to use the other site to be honest... text too small, light background/text hard to read, etc.

(Feb 20, 2024 02:01 AM)Monero-chan Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I remember HFX had the option to change the logo and theme to whatever you want, but it doesn't work anymore sadly.

Wish I could check that out, but that's a shame.

How many themes did it have?

DemonAsylum - April 30, 2024, 2:46 am

Eh, probably just sticking with something oldschool for nostalgia sake. I'm sure some great newer and current day themes could be created that I'd be partial to as well though.

Euaggelistes - April 30, 2024, 5:32 am

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Like I said in my previous reply, I feel like I'm initially partial to old school looks, but it would be cool if anyone whipped up a couple of examples they felt were have decent at least and that had a newer vibe to them. Guess I'm just curious to know if they'd strike me well. Obviously can't much know without seeing something.

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Eran - April 30, 2024, 2:55 pm

Maybe an animated background?

BlackWidow1 - April 30, 2024, 2:57 pm

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DemonAsylum - April 30, 2024, 3:00 pm

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Definitely isn't bad as is, but you don't think the potential for it to be any better is there? I suppose it's subjective, but still.

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I too have seen some other forums where how dark it is just doesn't work whatsoever and looks scuffed asf. Overall just makes the site look less quality and appealing. HF does the theme it has incredibly well.

Deany - April 30, 2024, 7:10 pm

I would leave it as is.

Beherit - April 30, 2024, 7:22 pm

Mother Mary blue and gold. Not sure how it'd be designed but, those are my picks.

Absence - April 30, 2024, 7:43 pm

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Perfect - April 30, 2024, 8:00 pm

Honestly, it looks the same from where I left it. Just a few more added features.. I think the option to change the templates could be added but maybe for each owns user experience?

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I too like how it is, but that isn't to say it couldn't be better or in the opinion of more than not at least. It's subjective at the end of the day of course. My guess is Omni probably has no plans of straying too far off from how HF is looking right now. That's alright though. No complaints here.

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