



MenuMaker Wordpress Plugin

User Guide

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Installation

1. Log into your Wordpress Admin Panel.
2. Navigate to Plugins > Add New
3. Click Upload



4. Click Choose File and select the MenuMaker Wordpress .zip file.
5. Click the Install Now button. Installation might take a couple minutes so be patient.
6. Once the plugin has been uploaded, click the Activate Plugin link.

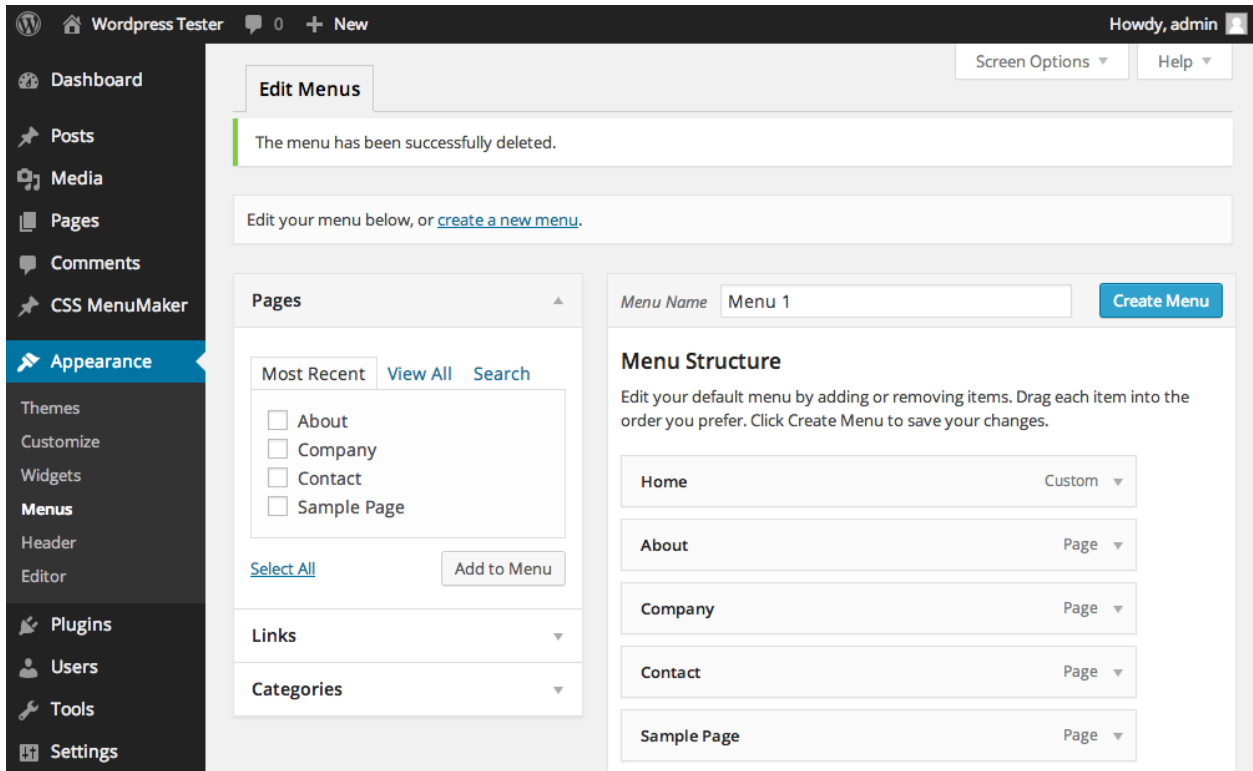


Prerequisites: Wordpress Menu System

Before you can start using the MenuMaker plugin you must first create a menu structure using the Wordpress Menu System.

If you have not created a Wordpress menu already, follow the instructions below:

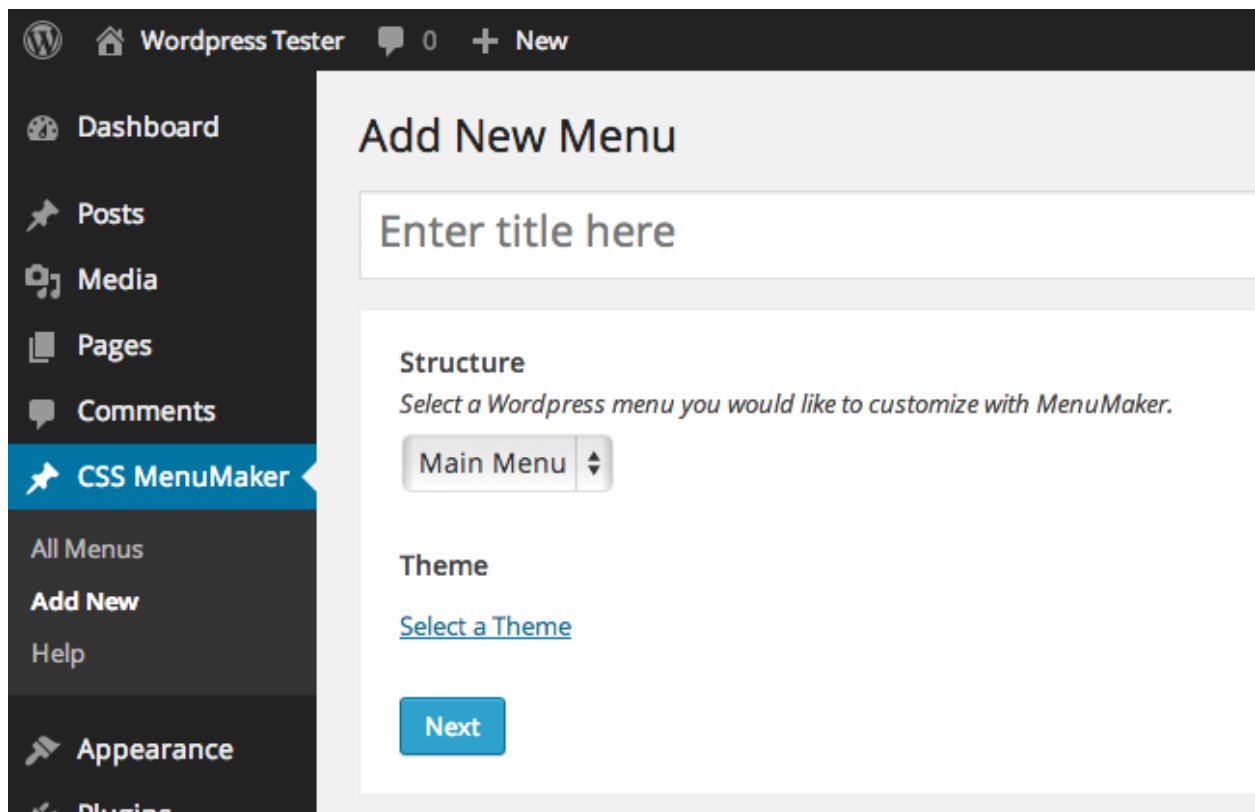
1. Navigate to [Appearance > Menus](#)
2. Enter a [Menu Name](#).
3. Use the left sidebar to add Pages and Posts to the menu structure.
4. Click [Create Menu](#)



The screenshot shows the WordPress Admin Dashboard with the 'Edit Menu' screen. The top navigation bar includes 'WordPress Tester', '0' notifications, and 'New' button. The user is logged in as 'Howdy, admin'. The left sidebar shows the 'Appearance' menu expanded, with 'Menus' selected. The main content area has a 'Screen Options' and 'Help' dropdown in the top right. Below the 'Edit Menu' title, there is a message: 'The menu has been successfully deleted.' and a link to 'create a new menu'. The 'Pages' section is active, showing a list of pages: 'About', 'Company', 'Contact', and 'Sample Page'. There are 'Most Recent', 'View All', and 'Search' options. A 'Select All' link and an 'Add to Menu' button are at the bottom of the list. The 'Menu Structure' section shows a 'Menu Name' field with 'Menu 1' and a 'Create Menu' button. Below this, there is a list of menu items: 'Home' (Custom), 'About' (Page), 'Company' (Page), 'Contact' (Page), and 'Sample Page' (Page). Each item has a dropdown arrow next to it.

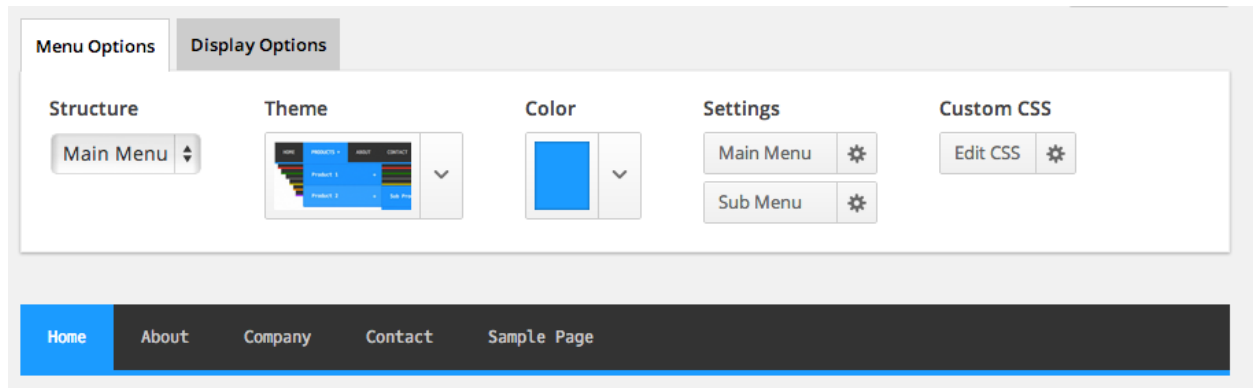
Creating a Menu

1. Navigate to *MenuMaker > Add New*
2. Enter a *Title* for your menu.
3. Select the Wordpress menu you want to use as the *Structure*. Read [Prerequisites: Wordpress Menu](#) if you do not have a menu option here.
4. Click *Select a Theme* and choose the menu theme you want to customize.
5. Click *Next*.



Customizing your Menu

Once you have created your menu you will be taken to the customization screen. Below are a list of the customization options and their descriptions:



Structure: You can update the *Structure* of your menu by choosing a different Wordpress Menu.

Theme: Choose a different theme to use with your menu.

Color: Select the main color for the menu.

Main Menu Settings: These settings will affect the main menu items, not the sub menus. Here you can make changes to the *menu width*, *font sizes*, *text colors*, *alignment*, *hover colors*, and *background colors*. Each menu theme is unique so not all themes will have every customization option available.

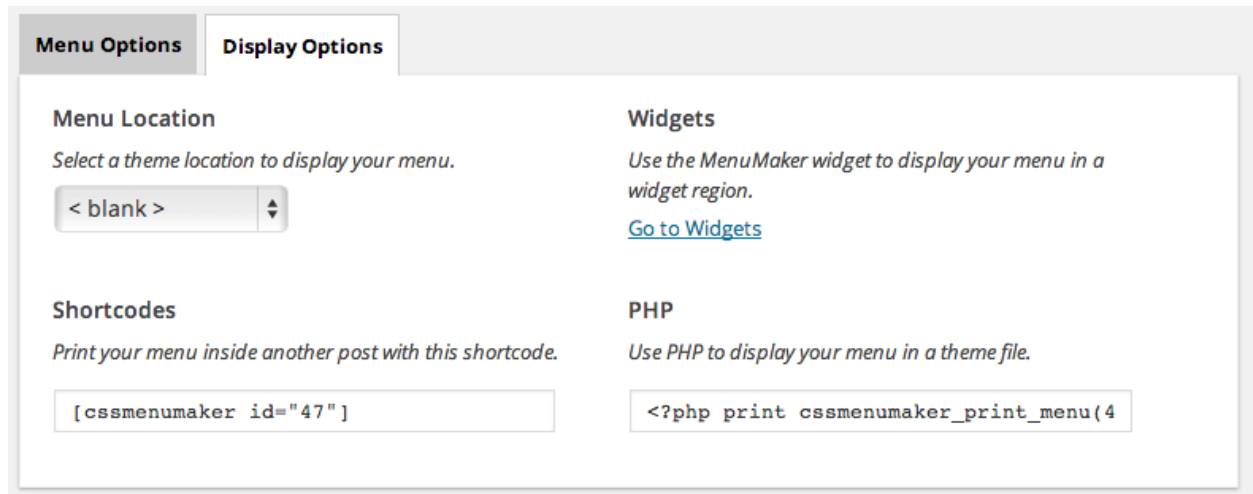
Sub Menu Settings: These settings will affect the sub menu items. The sub menu settings are similar to the Main Menu Settings.

Custom CSS: For complete control of your menu you can enter your own custom CSS code. Any code entered here will be appended to the menu's CSS and override existing styles. Make sure to use the given, unique menu ID when writing your own CSS code.

Make sure to click the SAVE button once you are done customizing your menu.

Displaying your Menu

Once you have created and customized your menu, there are a number of ways to display the menu on your site.



The screenshot shows the 'Display Options' tab of the MenuMaker plugin. It is divided into four sections:

- Menu Location:** A dropdown menu currently set to '< blank >'. The instruction says: 'Select a theme location to display your menu.'
- Widgets:** A text instruction: 'Use the MenuMaker widget to display your menu in a widget region.' with a link 'Go to Widgets' below it.
- Shortcodes:** A text instruction: 'Print your menu inside another post with this shortcode.' with a text input field containing the shortcode: `[cssmenumaker id="47"]`.
- PHP:** A text instruction: 'Use PHP to display your menu in a theme file.' with a text input field containing the PHP code: `<?php print cssmenumaker_print_menu(4`

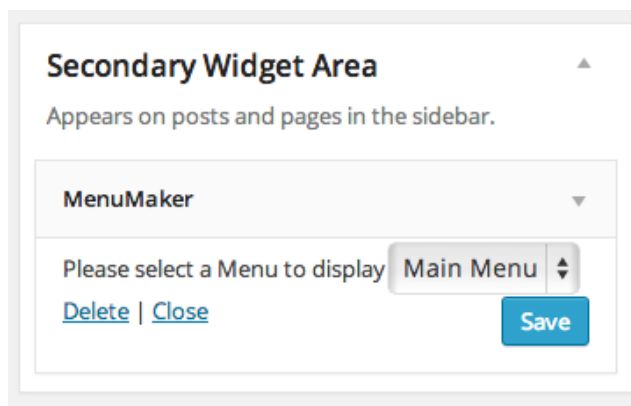
Menu Location

If your menu supports *Theme Locations* then you will see a list of locations here. Not all themes support *Theme Locations* for menus, so if you don't see any options here you will need to use one of the other methods.

Widget

We have included a widget with the MenuMaker plugin to make displaying menus easier.

1. Once you have created your menu, navigate to [Appearance > Widgets](#).
2. Drag and drop the MenuMaker Widget into the desired Widget area.
3. Expand the MenuMaker Widget options and select your menu.
4. Click [Save](#).



The screenshot shows the MenuMaker widget configuration in a 'Secondary Widget Area'. The widget title is 'MenuMaker'. Below the title, there is a text input field with the placeholder 'Please select a Menu to display' and a dropdown menu currently set to 'Main Menu'. At the bottom left, there are links for 'Delete' and 'Close'. At the bottom right, there is a blue 'Save' button.

Shortcodes

Shortcodes are little snippets of code that can be placed inside of Posts and Pages. To display your menu in a Post or page, copy and paste the provided shortcode into the body of your post.

PHP

For advanced users we have provided a PHP function that will print out our menu. You will only need to use this option if you have access to your theme files and know how to edit them. Simply place the provided function somewhere in your theme files and your custom menu will be printed.