

user manual



Joomla! Template



COREZ

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1. Introduction

Corez is the March 2008 Joomla! template from BonusThemes.com. Corez is a very flexible template and equipped with scripts that produce smooth animations.

Read the following sections to find detailed information and illustrated examples that explain the ways you can use the template.

2. General information

2.1 *Required software*

Corez is available in two versions:

The *j10* version works with Joomla! 1.0.x and it is recommended to use Joomla! 1.0.15 (the latest version of the Joomla! 1.0.x series).

The *j15* version works with Joomla! 1.5.x and it is recommended to use Joomla! 1.5.2 (the latest version of the Joomla! 1.5.x series).

2.2 *Browser compatibility*

Corez is compatible with:

- Firefox 2
- Safari 2
- MS Internet Explorer 7
- MS Internet Explorer 6





3. Template installation

3.1 How to install the template in Joomla 1.0.x

To install the template you can use the Joomla! installation mechanism for site templates:

Menu > Installers > Template - Sites

Alternatively, you may unpack the template in the /template directory.

To activate the template go to

Menu > Site > Template Manager > Site Templates

select the template and click the “Default” button.

You may also read Appendix A for an illustrated example on installing templates in Joomla.

3.2 How to install the template in Joomla 1.5.x

To install the template you can use the Joomla! installation mechanism for extensions:

Menu > Extensions > Install/Uninstall

Alternatively, you may unpack the template in the /template directory.

To activate the template go to

Menu > Extensions > Template Manager

select the template and click the “Default” button.





4. Layout

The layout of Corez contains 18 module positions.

This template uses a collapsible module technology. This means that positions disappear if there are no published modules in them. This gives you the capability to make arrangements for wider space in your pages.

On the top of its layout, Corez uses CMenu a menu script that takes input from a Joomla menu. You have the option of disabling this menu and have a module position in its place. This can be set from the configuration file and the name of the position that replaces CMenu is “header”.





4.1 Template map



Screen shot of a demonstration installation of Corez with all the position areas enabled.





4.3 CSS structure

Corez uses the main Joomla template CSS file only for typography and general styling. That main file is /templates/bt_corez/css/template_css.css in the Joomla 1.0 version of the template, and /templates/bt_corez/css/template.css in the Joomla 1.5 version.

The file /templates/bt_corez/css/layout.css contains CSS definitions that control the layout.

The file /templates/bt_corez/css/cmenu.css contains CSS definitions that control the layout of CMenu, the script for the menu on the top area.

Naming system for module positions:

The IDs of the <div> tags that wrap the template positions always start with “pos_”. For example the module position “user1” takes the id “pos_user1”.

4.4 Spacers

This template outputs separate <div>s after specific positions called spacers. You can use them to modify the layout on the ending of those positions. They are in the layout.css file and here is a list of the spacer names and the positions they follow:

▼ Spacer name	▼ Preceding positions
spacer1	newsflash
spacer2	top
spacer3	bottom
spacer4	banner
spacer5	user3, user4, user5, user6
spacer6	user7, user8, user9
spacer7	footer





4.5 Module Suffixes

There is one default and three additional module suffixes that match the styling of the template.

Notice that the suffixes start with a dash.

Default suffix

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nulla sed velit. Mauris massa. Donec eu est. Donec pulvinar mollis elit. In pede mi, porta sed, tincidunt at, rhoncus ut, purus. Curabitur interdum. Praesent est massa, pulvinar vitae, malesuada id, luctus at, nunc. In hac habitasse platea dictumst.

Default styling.

This is the module styling if you use no module suffix.

Suffix -style1

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nulla sed velit. Mauris massa. Donec eu est. Donec pulvinar mollis elit. In pede mi, porta sed, tincidunt at, rhoncus ut, purus. Curabitur interdum. Praesent est massa, pulvinar vitae, malesuada id, luctus at, nunc. In hac habitasse platea dictumst.

-style1

Suffix -style2

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nulla sed velit. Mauris massa. Donec eu est. Donec pulvinar mollis elit. In pede mi, porta sed, tincidunt at, rhoncus ut, purus. Curabitur interdum. Praesent est massa, pulvinar vitae, malesuada id, luctus at, nunc. In hac habitasse platea dictumst.

-style2

Suffix -style3

Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Nulla sed velit. Mauris massa. Donec eu est. Donec pulvinar mollis elit. In pede mi, porta sed, tincidunt at, rhoncus ut, purus. Curabitur interdum. Praesent est massa, pulvinar vitae, malesuada id, luctus at, nunc. In hac habitasse platea dictumst.

-style3

Notice:

This module suffix requires a minimum height so that there is enough space for gradient effect.





5. Template setup

5.1 Logo setup

To setup your logo, publish a user module with an uploaded image in any template position.

Example:

1. Upload your logo on your website
2. Create a user module that contains the URL of the image you just uploaded
3. Publish that module in position “icon”

5.2 Banner setup

To setup a banner, publish a banner module in any template position. Corez has a proposed position for banners, the position “banner”.

5.3 How to show/hide the BonusThemes logo

Joomla 1.0.x users can enable or disable the BonusThemes logo by modifying the setting “bt_logo” from the configuration file of the template. Please read section 6 for more details.

Joomla 1.5.x users can make this change from the Template Manager from the administrator’s control panel.

5.4 TinyMCE styling

TinyMCE is the editor for the custom text modules. The default installation will use the template background.

If you want to have a clear background while you edit go to Menu > Mambots > Site Mambots > TinyMCE WYSIWYG Editor, and set “Template CSS classes” to “No”.

TinyMCE’s website:

<http://tinymce.moxiecode.com/>





5.5 PNG fix

MS Internet Explorer 5 and 6 have trouble rendering the alpha levels (transparencies) of PNG images. The template is equipped with a script that fixes this problem. To enable transparencies in PNG files for MS Internet Explorer 5 and 6, use the CSS class “pngfix”. In some cases images appear distorted. To avoid this distortion provide “width” and “height” attributes in your HTML tags. Alternatively, you can try the CSS class “pngfix_static”.

PNG fix’s website:

<http://www.twinhelix.com>

5.6 How to enable/disable CMenu

CMenu (Classic Menu) is the menu that appears on the top of the page. This menu can be replaced by the module position “header”.

Joomla 1.0.x users can use the setting “header_menu” by editing the configuration file of the template. Please read section 6 for more details.

Joomla 1.5.x users can make this change from the Template Manager from the administrator’s control panel.

5.7 How to set the Joomla menu for CMenu

CMenu by default shows the contents of the Joomla menu “topmenu”.

In order to change the content of CMenu, go to the Joomla control panel for menus and add/remove/edit the menu from there.

If you want to change the menu to something other than “topmenu”:

Joomla 1.0.x users can modify the setting “header_menu_name” by editing the configuration file of the template. Please read section 6 for more details.

Joomla 1.5.x users can make this change from the Template Manager from the administrator’s control panel.

5.8 How to set the padding and gap in the CMenu header buttons

You can control the padding and the gap between the CMenu header buttons from the file /templates/bt_corez/css/cmnu.css





To set the gap, locate the CSS class “cmenu_ht_gap” and give it a different width.

For example, to set a width of 10 pixels write:

```
.cmenu_ht_gap {  
    width: 10px;  
}
```

To set the padding, locate the CSS classes “cmenu_ht_cnt_empty” and “cmenu_ht_cnt_full” and set the number elements for the left and right padding. The “empty” class appears when there are no sub-elements and the “full” class appears when there are sub-elements. The “full” class needs additional 10 pixels to show the arrow that denotes the sub-elements.

For example, to set a padding of 10 pixels write:

```
.cmenu_ht_cnt_empty {  
    text-align: center;  
    padding: 5px 10px 9px 10px;  
}  
.cmenu_ht_cnt_full {  
    background: url(../images/layout/menu_hd_arrow.gif) no-repeat bottom  
right;  
    text-align: center;  
    padding: 5px 20px 9px 10px;  
}
```

Notice that the right padding in the “cmenu_ht_cnt_full” is increased by 10 pixels to fit the sub-elements arrow.

5.9 How to enable/disable the SEOCP feature

SEOCP (Search Engine Optimization Content Positioning) is a feature that controls the position of the main content of the pages.

When SEOCP is enabled the content is internally positioned on the top of the HTML code and this helps search engines find and analyze the content easier. When the page loads, a JavaScript script moves the content to the proper position so that the visual structures can display it in the way the human eye can understand better.

SEOCP needs JavaScript to work. This means that users with JavaScript disabled will not be able to read the content of the page.

By default, SEOCP is disabled. To enable SEOCP:

Joomla 1.0.x users can modify the setting “seocp” by editing the configuration file of the template. Please read section 6 for more details.

Joomla 1.5.x users can make this change from the Template Manager from the administrator’s control panel.





6. Configuration settings

Corez configurations are based in the `/templates/bt_corez/config.php` file. Joomla 1.0 users will have to edit this file in order to make necessary adjustments. Joomla 1.5 users can do the same adjustments from the Template Manager.

The CSC technology allows you to have a default configuration and additional configurations for specified components. This can sometimes be very useful. In order to do that you will have to edit the configuration file regardless of the Joomla version you use.

We strongly recommend you to edit the configuration file only if you have basic knowledge of the PHP syntax.

6.1 Basic settings

Notice:

Joomla 1.0 users have to edit the `/templates/bt_corez/config.php` file to make these changes take effect.

Joomla 1.5 users have to use the Template Manager from the administrator's control panel. For CSC configurations please read the next section.

width

Width of entire page in pixels

Example: 960 sets it to 960 pixels

Default value: 960

bt_logo

Shows the BonusThemes logo

Values: on, off

Example: "on" makes the logo visible

Default value: on

header_menu

Show menu or position header

Values: menu, header

Example: "menu" makes the top area show the menu, "header" makes the top area show the position header

Default value: menu

header_menu_name

Source menu for header

Values: Any menu name from the Joomla CMS

Default value: topmenu



**gap**

Width of a gap that is used in several occasions between columns

Example: 20 sets it 20 pixels

Default value: 20

left_width

Width of module positions in the left area

Example: 220 sets it to 220 pixels

Default value: 220

right_width

Width of module positions in the right area

Example: 220 sets it to 220 pixels

Default value: 220

seocp

Enables or disables SEOCP

Values: on, off

Example: "off" disables SEOCP

Default value: off

6.2 CSC settings

Notice: This sections is for users with advanced knowledge in PHP.

CSC (Component Specific Configuration) is a technology that allows you to set different settings for different components.

The default code looks like that:

```
$tpl_config['component']['*'] = array(
    ... configurations ...
);
```

The asterisk has a special meaning and it denotes the default values. To write a different configuration set for a component, add another block but replace the asterisk with the component name:

```
$tpl_config['component']['com_frontpage'] = array(
    ... configurations ...
);
```

This system is as simple as this for Joomla 1.0 . Joomla 1.5 has its own system of handling template configurations using the params.ini file and the Template Manager for an interface. In order to maintain compatibility with this system, the default settings in Joomla 1.5 are set by the params.ini file and of course you can edit it using the Template Manager from the administrator's control panel.

If you don't like this in Joomla 1.5 and you want to have full control from the config.php file set the variable `$tpl_config['default']` to 1. With this setting the params.ini file will be ignored.





Appendix A - How to install a template

To install a template in Joomla! 1.0.x follow the next 6 steps:

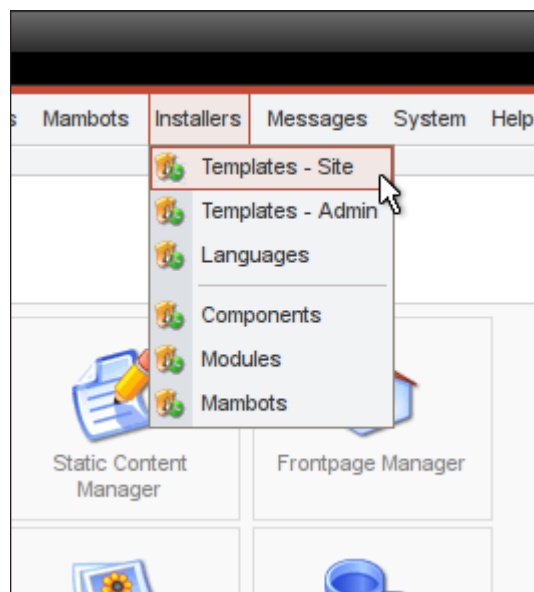
Step 1

Get into the administrator's control panel with your browser.

The URL usually looks like

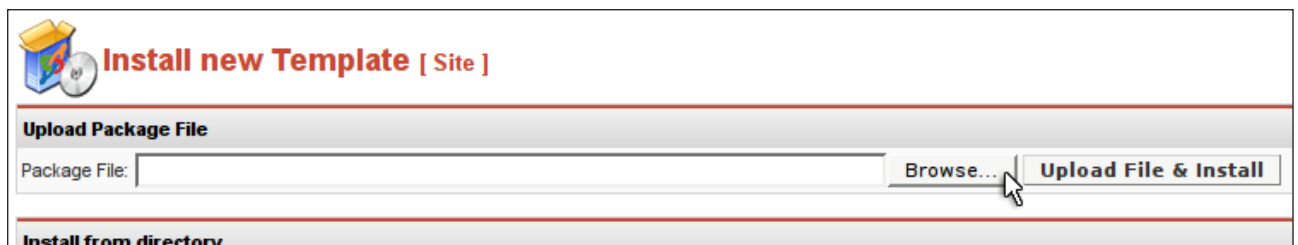
<http://www.example.com/administrator/>

Step 2



Go to the menu *Installers > Templates - Site*

Step 3

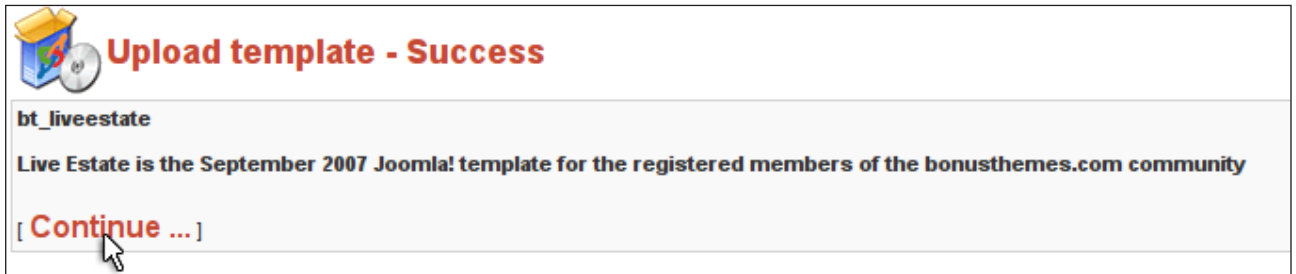


Click the *Browse* button to find the archive of the template, and then click *Upload File & Install* to perform the installation procedure.



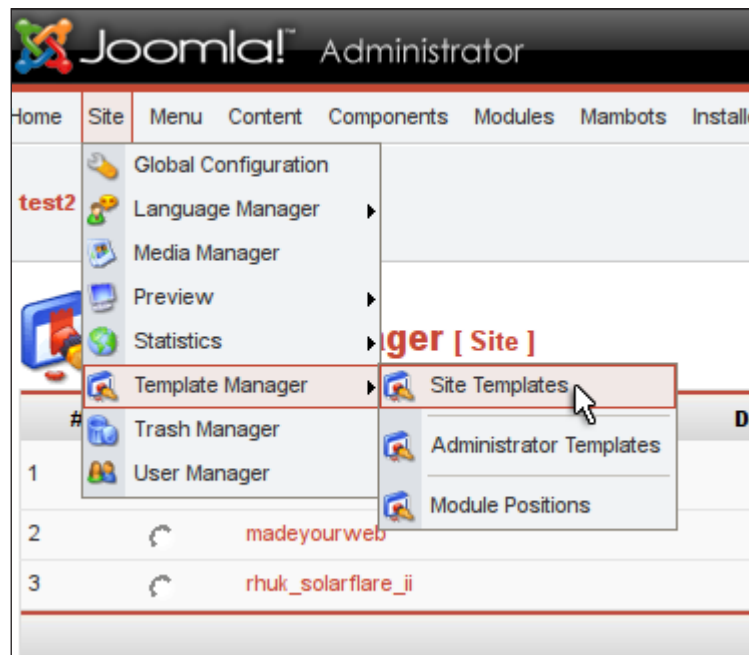


Step 4



If the installation was successful you will be able to see a success message like the one in the image.

Step 5



After step 4 you should already be in the *Template Manager* page.

In case you are not in that page yet, go to the menu and click on

Site > Template Manager > Site Templates



Step 6

Joomla! Administrator

Home Site Menu Content Components Modules Mambots Installers Messages System Help

test2 / com_templates

Template Manager [Site]

#	Name	Default	Assigned	Author	Version
1	bt_liveestate			BonusThemes.com	1.0
2	madeyourweb			Marc Hinse	1.3
3	rhuk_solarflare_ii	✓		rhuk	2.2

<< Start < Previous 1 Next > End >>

Display # 30 Results 1 - 3 of 3

From the *Template Manager* page click on the template name you just installed and then click the *Default* button to make that template the default one.



Appendix B - How to setup a module

To setup a module in Joomla! 1.0.x follow the next 4 steps:

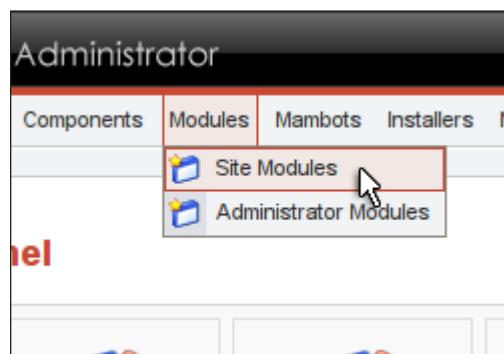
Step 1

Get into the administrator's control panel with your browser.

The URL usually looks like

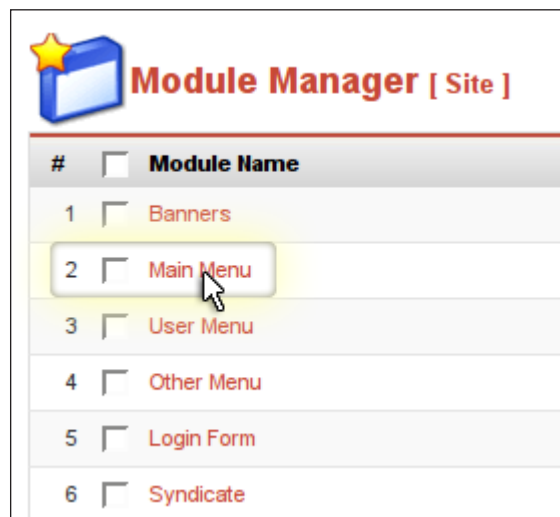
<http://www.example.com/administrator/>

Step 2



Go to the menu *Modules > Site Modules*

Step 3



Find the module you want to edit and click it.

Note: If you cannot find your module perhaps there are too many modules split in pages. Go through the pages to find your module, or use the filters on the top right corner to limit the list of visible modules.





Step 4

The screenshot shows the Joomla! Administrator interface for editing the 'Main Menu' module. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Site, Menu, Content, Components, Modules, Mambots, Installers, Messages, System, and Help. The toolbar at the top right contains 'Preview', 'Save', and 'Apply' buttons. The main content area is titled 'Site Module: Edit [Main Menu]' and is divided into two sections: 'Details' and 'Parameters'. The 'Details' section includes fields for Title (Main Menu), Show title (radio buttons for No and Yes), Position (left), Module Order (1::Main Menu), Access Level (Public, Registered, Special), and Published (radio buttons for No and Yes). The 'Parameters' section includes fields for Menu Class Suffix and Module Class Suffix (-style1). On the right, a list of menu items is shown, including 'All', 'None', 'Unassigned', and various links like 'Home', 'Joomla! License', 'News', 'Blog', 'Links', 'Contact Us', 'Search', 'News Feeds', 'FAQs', 'Wrapper', 'Joomla! Home', 'Joomla! Forums', 'OSM Home', and 'Administrator'. Numbered callouts 1, 2, and 3 highlight specific areas: 1 points to the 'Details' section, 2 points to the 'Module Class Suffix' field, and 3 points to the 'Save' button.

Now you are in the page that controls the module.

From the Details area you can control many features including:

- Set the title of the module
- Show or hide the title
- Set the position of the module
- Publish or unpublish the module

From the Parameters area you can also control many features including the ability to

- Set the Module Class Suffix

To save your changes click the Save button ton the top right corner.



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