

Slate Pro

Documentation

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About Slate Pro

Slate Pro is a **powerful WordPress admin theme plugin** that reimagines WordPress with a clean and simplified design. White label your WordPress install with custom colors, a custom login screen, custom admin branding, and more.

Make WordPress Your Own

You spend countless hours on your design and code, sweating all the details. Shouldn't **your** Content Management System reflect **your own brand**?

And while you're at it, how about making it **beautiful** instead of run-of-the-mill?

With **Slate Pro** you can create a completely customized WordPress Admin area without any WordPress branding. Your clients don't even have to know that you're using WordPress!

Create a look and feel that matches your brand.

If You Design or Develop for WordPress You Need Slate Pro

- **Reimagines the WordPress Admin** in a clean, modern, and simplified design. Your clients will love it.
- **Change or remove all WordPress branding**, creating a true White label admin area for your clients.
- **Create your own color scheme**, add your own branding to both the admin and login pages — make it your own!
- **6 months of support** and updates with your purchase, so there's no need to worry.
- **Updates through the WordPress Plugins page** makes updating easy as pie.

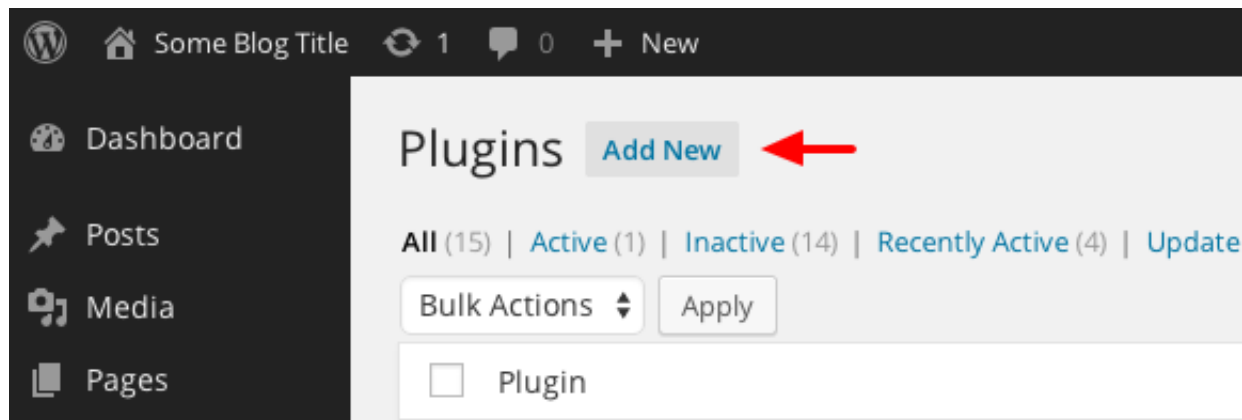
Please visit the [Seven Bold](#) website for more information.

Installation

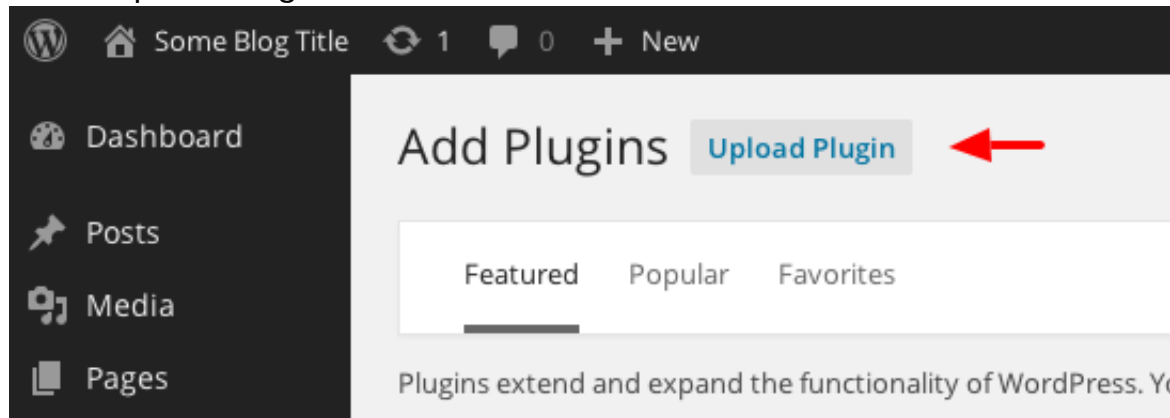
Installing Slate Pro is just like manually installing any other plugin to WordPress. You can use either the WordPress Plugin Uploader or an FTP program.

WordPress Plugin Uploader

1. Sign into your WordPress site.
2. Click the Plugins menu item.
3. Click "Add New"

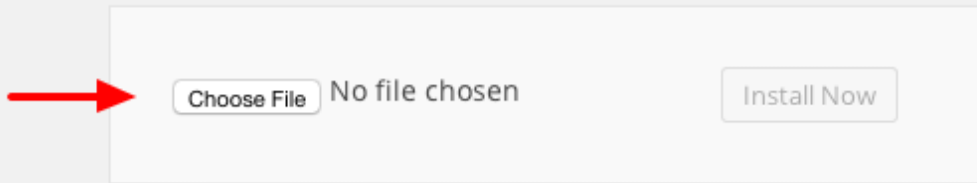


4. Click "Upload Plugin"



5. Click "Choose File"

If you have a plugin in a .zip format, you may install it by uploading it here.



6. Find and select the Slate Pro .zip file
7. Click the "Install Now" button

FTP

You can also install Slate Pro via FTP

1. Unzip the Slate Pro .zip file you downloaded.
2. Open your FTP program, FTP into your site and navigate to the /wp-content/plugins/ directory.
3. Upload the "slate-pro-admin" folder to this directory.
4. Go to the Plugins page in your WordPress Admin.
5. Under "Slate Pro Admin", click Activate.

Updating

Note: Updates are only available if a valid License Key has been entered. If you see a notice that says "*Automatic update is unavailable for this plugin*" it's probably because you haven't yet entered a valid License Key.


Updates for Slate Pro are handled just like updates for other WordPress plugins.

When an update is available, you'll see a notice on the Plugins page of your WordPress Admin.

☐ **Slate Pro Admin**
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 There is a new version of Slate Pro Admin available. [View version 1.0.1 details](#) or [update now](#).

It's always a good idea to backup your settings when updating. You can do that on the "Import / Export" page for Slate Pro, which is covered later in the manual.

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Color Schemes

The Color Schemes page allows you to choose a default color scheme for your WordPress Admin. You can choose from either a preset color scheme, or create your own custom color scheme.

All users will see the selected color scheme if they haven't previously changed their own color scheme on their User Profile page.

If you don't want to allow users to change their color scheme, you can hide the option by checking the "Hide 'Admin Color Scheme' Options on User Profile Pages" checkbox.

The screenshot shows the WordPress Admin interface for the Slate Pro theme. The top navigation bar includes the WordPress logo, a home icon, a refresh icon, a comment count of 2, a notification count of 0, and a user profile icon for 'Ryan'. The left sidebar menu lists various admin areas: Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, Appearance, Plugins (with a red badge showing 2 updates), Users, Tools, Settings, and a 'Slate Pro' section. The 'Slate Pro' section is expanded, showing 'Color Schemes' as the active option, along with Branding, Dashboard, Admin Menu, Admin Bar & Footer, Content & Notices, Permissions, License, About, and Import / Export. The main content area is titled 'Color Schemes' and displays a grid of color scheme options. Each option consists of a radio button, a name, and a color palette preview. The 'Default' scheme is selected. Below the grid, there are two checkboxes: 'Hide "Admin Color Scheme" Options on User Profile Pages' and 'Hide Admin Menu and Sidebar Shadows'. A 'Save Changes' button is located at the bottom of the main content area. The footer of the admin bar shows 'Admin Theme: Slate Pro by Seven Bold' on the left and 'Version 4.0.1' on the right.

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☐ Custom

☐ Hide "Admin Color Scheme" Options on User Profile Pages

☐ Hide Admin Menu and Sidebar Shadows

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Branding

The Branding page allows you to upload images and logos to make your WordPress Admin match your brand, or the brand of your client.

Please note that padding is NOT included around any images you upload. What that means is you need to add your own padding in the image file itself.

For example, the included "Full Width Menu Logo" is 400px wide for high resolution, with empty space of 40px to the left and right. This allows it to be scaled down to 200px wide (the width of the menu), while maintaining 20px of padding on each side, which will line up with the menu item text below.

You can look at the default images to see what padding works best.

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Login Page Logo




Select Image

Delete Image

Make sure the image is no greater than 320 pixels wide by 80 pixels high.

Login Page Background Image



Select Image

Delete Image

Center Top

Background Position

No Repeat

Background Repeat

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Make the Background Image Fill the Page






Full Width Menu Logo


Dashboard


The Dashboard section allows you to customize what your clients see on their Dashboard.


Note that if a user hasn't customized the order of their Dashboard Widgets, the Custom Widget you can create will show up as the very first widget. Unfortunately, if they have updated the order of their widgets, your Custom Widget will be placed automatically by WordPress.


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☐ Hide the Dashboard Welcome Message

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☐ Show a Custom Widget on the Dashboard

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Widget Content (HTML Allowed)

Hide Widgets [Select All](#) / [Select None](#)

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☐ WordPress News

☐ At a Glance

☐ Recent Comments

☐ Quick Press

☐ Recent Drafts

☐ Incoming Links

Admin Menu

The Admin Menu page allows you to hide main menu items for specific users.

Choose which pages you'd like to hide in the "Hide the following Menu Items" section, and then which users you'd like them hidden from in the "Apply to the following Users" section.

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Hide the following Menu Items

Select All / Select None

☐ Dashboard

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Apply to the following Users

Select All / Select None

☐ Example User (example)

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Here you can choose to hide the whole Admin Bar (the bar at the top of the WordPress Admin) or just hide the WordPress logo.

You can also hide the Admin Footer, or adjust the footer text to something more appropriate.

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☐ Hide the Admin Bar

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Footer Text (HTML Allowed)

☐ Hide Version Number

☐ Hide the Admin Footer

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Content & Notices


This section allows you to hide WordPress notices so that your users won't know they're using WordPress.


You can also hide the Help Tab, which shows up at the top of various pages and contains links to WordPress documentation.


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
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☐ Hide WordPress Update Notices

☐ Hide WordPress Theme Update Notices

☐ Hide WordPress Plugin Update Notices

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Permissions


Permissions allows you to choose who can see the Slate Pro plugin.


By hiding the Slate Pro plugin, even users with Admin privileges won't know there's an admin theme plugin overriding a WordPress installation.


This option will both hide Slate Pro from the Admin Menu AND the Plugins page. Make sure you backup your settings and bookmark this page in case you accidentally choose your own username.


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
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Below you can choose which users will see the "Slate Pro" plugin. Keep in mind that if you **check your own name, you'll no longer be able to access these settings**. If that happens, you'll need to [bookmark this page](#) or deactivate and reactivate the plugin. Make sure to keep an up-to-date [backup of your settings](#). Only users who already have permission to access plugins are shown below.

Hide Slate Pro from the following Users

☐ Example User (example)

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Your License Key was provided in your Purchase Confirmation email as the "Purchase Code." Make sure to copy the Purchase Code exactly as provided into the License Key field in Slate Pro.

By entering your License Key you'll be able to download updates to Slate Pro and receive technical support.

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Enter your license key to qualify for premium customer support, receive updates via the WordPress Plugins page, access future updates, and other added benefits.

License Key

Activate License Key

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Import / Export

Here you can backup your settings any time you want. For instance, it'd be a good idea to backup after you've created a custom Color Scheme (since that can take some time!).

Simply copy all the text in the Export field and save it to a text file somewhere safe on your computer.

If you want to restore your previous settings, just paste the Export text into the Import field and click "Save Changes." You should receive a confirmation that the import worked.

Important: You can't modify the contents of the Export and then Import the changes.

The screenshot shows the 'Import / Export' settings page in the Slate Pro Admin Theme. The left sidebar contains a menu with options: Dashboard, Posts, Media, Pages, Comments, Appearance, Plugins (2), Users, Tools, Settings, Slate Pro (selected), Color Schemes, Branding, Dashboard, Admin Menu, Admin Bar & Footer, Content & Notices, Permissions, License, About, and Import / Export. The main content area is titled 'Import / Export' and features two large text input fields. The 'Import' field is empty, and the 'Export' field contains a long string of settings data. Below the 'Export' field is a 'Save Changes' button. The footer of the page indicates 'Admin Theme Slate Pro by Seven Bold' and 'Version 4.0.1'.

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Import

Paste your settings above and click "Save Changes" to import. It should look like the text in the Export field below.

Export

```
a:37:{s:11:"colorScheme";s:7:"default";s:23:"colorSchemeCustomColors";a:75:
{s:12:"loginBgColor";s:7:"#444343";s:16:"loginFormBgColor";s:7:"#eeeeec";s:18:"loginFormTextColor";s:7:"#777777";s:21:"loginFo
rmInputBgColor";s:7:"#fbfbfb";s:23:"loginFormInputTextColor";s:7:"#333333";s:24:"loginFormInputFocusColor";s:7:"#5b9dd9";s:
18:"loginButtonBgColor";s:7:"#2ea2cc";s:20:"loginButtonText";s:7:"#ffffff";s:23:"loginButtonHoverBgColor";s:7:"#ffffff";s:25:
"loginButtonHoverTextColor";s:7:"#2ea2cc";s:18:"loginFormLinkColor";s:7:"#eeeb";s:23:"loginFormLinkHoverColor";s:7:"#ffffff
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Copy and save the text above to backup your Slate Pro settings.

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Support

Slate Pro is sold exclusively through the Envato marketplace. If you require support, please post a comment on the Slate Pro product page.