

WordPress Themes

Considerations

- Theme is maintained
- Responsive Layout for Mobile Support
- Retina Display Support (future)

Requirements for Client Who Wants Minimal

Client: Lois Lane

Website: Shopping Reviews

Client liked these sites,

Nice and simple - <http://www.wendyslookbook.com/>

<http://www.extrapetite.com/search/label/Lookbook>

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Requirement for Client Who Wants Photo Gallery

The purpose is to showcase art, photography or photos of family to share with others so it has the following additional requirements,

- Thumbnail Generation with automatic link to Original High Quality File
- Nice Gallery Layout

The actual [Instagram Blog layout](#) is very good and meets all the criteria except for,

- Should have titles grouping photos (by date or event)
- The automatic dynamic scrolling, I'm not a big fan of personally. On the fence if it adds usability or confuses users. However, just noticed in [other profiles you can change to a load more button](#).
- Zoom view does not seem high quality (but this might be on purpose)

Shortlist,

Evolution - responsive, simple, up to date, packaged with other well done themes - <http://elegantthemes.com/preview/Evolution/>

- Don't like how the images link, there are two icons one for expand and another for link (however we may be able to customize this).

BigBang - meets all criteria and the other ones done by this company look very good - <http://demo.brancic.net/?theme=BigBangWP>

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Theme Stores

<http://theforest.net/> - Very large collection, well organized.

<http://press75.com/> - Another one, I might like Social Life near the bottom.

<http://theme.wordpress.com/> - Wordpress.com's own website.

<http://wordpress.org/extend/themes/commercial/> - WordPress also has GPL themes with paid support.

Reviewing

Nice Black and White - http://theforest.net/item/haze-beautiful-wordpress-theme/2485338?ref=deliciousthemes&ref=deliciousthemes&clickthrough_id=88286930&redirect_back=true

Look and Feel = Great, limited to light or dark

Layout = Clean
Gallery = Yes, multiple
Menu = Drop Down
Cost = \$40
Mobile Support = ?

Device friendly, simple but shows up a lot in searches - <http://www.elegantthemes.com/gallery/evolution/>

Reading

Theme Reviews with Ranking System - <http://www.themegrade.com/elegantthemes-rating/>

Theme Reviews - <http://www.ourtuts.com/best-wordpress-themes-june-2012/>

Another good review - <http://www.ourtuts.com/35-incredible-wordpress-themes-of-september-2012/>