WordPress 6.2—About Page

General feedback is now closed. For any additional comments please tag @laurlittle @marybaum or @jpantani in Making WordPress Slack. Thanks!

This is a publicly viewable document serving as a collaboration canvas for producing the "About Page" for the WordPress 6.2 release. Eventually, this document will be converted into source code for inclusion in the release. The link to this document is in the following Trac ticket. This copy will be modified slightly in appearance and format when being transformed into a page as it will contain design elements (noted in the aforementioned ticket.)

Essential Contributor Review Guidelines

- Use the Google Does "Suggesting" setting to track your changes.
- Use "Comments" to explain your suggestions (unless they're very clear).
 - Edits like small typos, document formatting, etc don't need explanations.
- Make sure you're identifiable and not anonymous.

Following these guidelines helps all contributors evaluate and consider your suggestions. Thank you!

Timeline:

We recommend the following timeline to ensure the teams that code and translate the About Page have adequate time to prepare.

A general feedback period from now to Sunday, February 26 at 23:59 UTC.

Marketing and Communications will coordinate with Release Leads to make any final edits or content corrections at this time.

The document will be closed to all changes Friday, March 3 at 23:59 UTC.

This enables the About Page to be handed over to other teams for "string freeze" so it can be translated in a timely way. After this point, only changes correcting material errors should be made. The RC1 release is scheduled for Tuesday, March 7, 2023.

[INTRO]

Welcome to WordPress 6.2

WordPress 6.2 includes more than 292 enhancements and 394 bug fixes. This page highlights the latest features since the November 2022 release of WordPress 6.1. From quick highlights to developer resources, there's a lot to explore.

Explore and edit your site from the Site Editor

An updated interface gives you more control over your site editing experience. Browse through full previews of your templates and template parts, then jump into editing your site from wherever you choose.

Manage your menu in more ways with the Navigation block

A new sidebar experience makes it easier to edit your site's navigation. Add, remove, and reorder menu items faster—no matter how complex your menus are.

Discover a smoother experience for the Block Inserter

A refreshed design gives you more visibility and easier access to the content you need. Use the Media tab to drag and drop content from your existing Media Library quickly. Find patterns faster with a split view that lets you navigate categories and see previews all at once.

Find the controls you want when you need them

Your block settings sidebar is better organized with tabs for Settings and Styles. So the tools you need are easy to identify and access.

Build faster with headers and footers for block themes

Discover a new collection of header and footer patterns. Use them with any block theme as a quick, high-quality starting point for your site's templates.

Explore Openverse media right from the Editor

Openverse's library catalogs over 600 million free, openly licensed stock images and audio—and now it's directly integrated into the Editor.

Focus on writing with Distraction Free mode

For those times you want to be alone with your ideas. You can now hide all your panels and controls, leaving you free to bring your content to life.

Experience the Site Editor, now out of beta

Stable and ready for you to dive in and explore: 6.2 is your personal invitation to discover what the next generation of WordPress—and block themes—can do.

Style Book

Use the new Style Book to get a complete overview of how every block in your site's library looks. All in one place, all at a glance.

Copy and paste styles

Perfect the design on one type of block, then copy and paste those styles to other blocks to get just the look you want.

Custom CSS

Power up your site any way you wish. Add CSS to your site, or your blocks, for another level of control over your site's look and feel.

Sticky positioning

Choose to keep top-level group blocks fixed to the top of a page as visitors scroll.

Importing widgets

Options to import your favorite widgets from Classic themes to Block themes.

Local fonts in themes

Default WordPress themes offer better privacy with Google Fonts now included.

Learn more about WordPress 6.2

Explore <u>Learn WordPress</u> for quick how-to videos on using the new features in WordPress. Or join a free <u>live interactive online workshop</u>.

WordPress 6.2 Field Guide

Check out detailed developer notes to help you build with WordPress.

WordPress 6.2 Release Notes

Get more details about this release, including updates, fixes, installation information, developer resources, file changes, and more.