

FLEXIBLE WEB DESIGN TEAM

Flexible Virtuemart Theme – FlexibleMart (for VM2.0.x only)

TUTORIAL

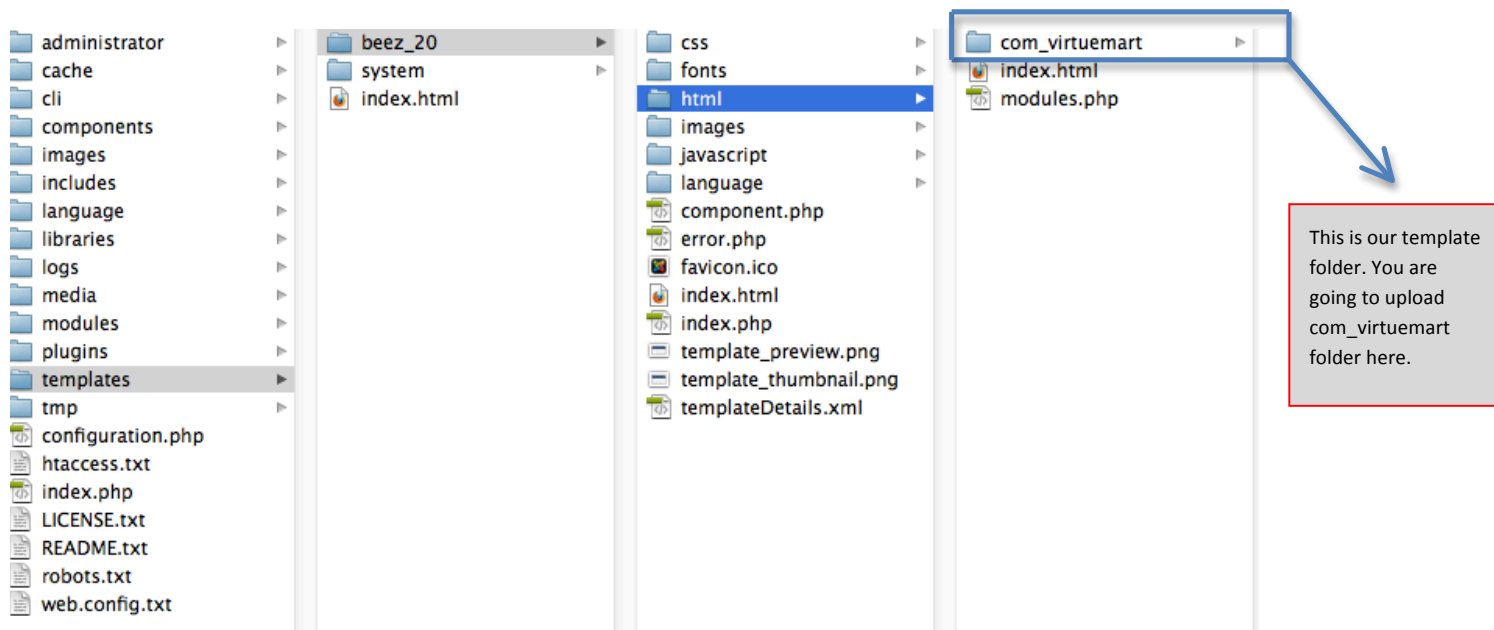
INSTALLATION FlexibleMart Theme:

- 1- You will find 1 folder (**com_virtuemart**) along with this TUTORIAL.PDF. Please upload this folder to here:
*joomlaRoot*¹/*templates/yourTemplate*²/html/

*joomlaRoot*¹ = is the location where your joomla is installed.

*yourTemplate*² = is the joomla template folder you are using currently.

Please take a look at screenshot, in our DEMO page, we are using beez_20 joomla template, and we have installed that com_virtuemart folder to here:



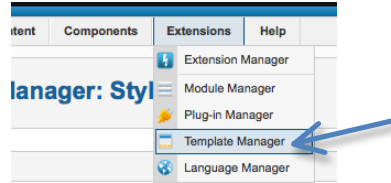
QUESTION&ANSWER:

Q: Under my HTML folder, there is already a folder called “**com_virtuemart**”, what should I do.

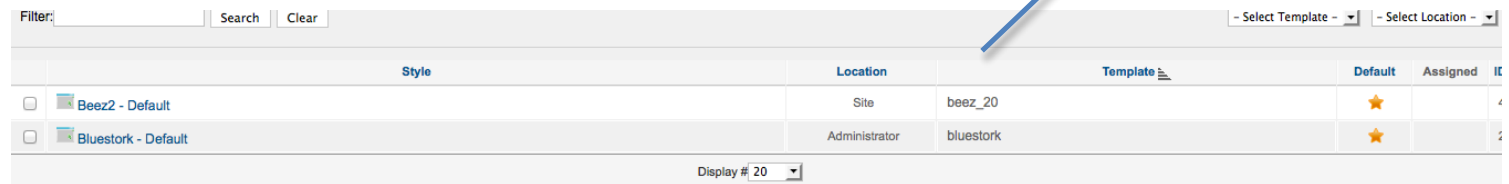
A: Delete that folder completely, and upload our **com_virtuemart** instead.

Q: I don't know what joomla template I am using, or I can't be sure.

A: Browse your joomla-backend panel. And click **Extensions -> Template Manager**



From below screenshot, find out which Joomla template you are using for “site” location.

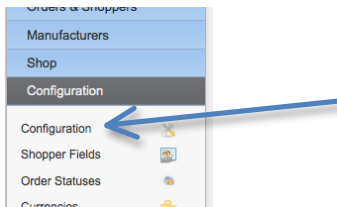


Q: I found out my template, and browsed that folder, but there is no **HTML** folder in it

A: You can create a new folder with the name of “**HTML**” manually.

CONFIGURATION FlexibleMart Theme:

You have finished the installation in the first step, Here comes the fun part. In order to use our theme and Virtuemart itself as expected; there are some important parameters you will want to configure. Since VM2 is very new concept and completely different than VM1.1.x, let me explain those important parameters with screenshots one-by-one so everyone can easily understand what those are. Open the Joomla! Back-end and navigate to your Virtuemart Component, then click the "Configuration" link.



2- In the configuration section, click “Templates” tab from the header bar, then take a look at the screenshot below;

Shop	Shopfront	Templates
Shopfront Settings		
Select the default template for your Shop	Use Joomla default	1
Category Template	Use Joomla default	2
Show Children Category	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Show Manufacturers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3
Category Layout	default	
Default number of categories in a row	3	4
Product layout	default	5
Default number of products in a row	1	6
Default number of manufacturer in a row		
Set the pagination sequence for the List Box		

Make sure you have the same settings as the screenshot above, which are:

- 1 **Default template for your shop:** Use Joomla Default
- 2 **Category Template:** Use Joomla Default
- 3 **Category Layout:** (Choose any category layout version from the list. The category layouts come with our template are: -
 - a. default
 - b. flexV2
 - c. flexV3
 - d. flexV4

There might be some more in the dropdown list but only 4 of them come with our template.
- 4 **Default Number of categories in a row:** 3
- 5 **Product Layout:** (Choose any product detail page layout versions from the list. The product detail layouts come with our template are:
 - a. default
 - b. flexV2
 - c. flexV3

There might be some more in the dropdown list but only 3 of them come with our template.
- 6 **Number of products in a row:** 3 *(recommended value is 3, but try and see how it looks like with 2, 4 or even 5.)*

3- We are still on “Templates” tab, scroll down the page little bit and look at the screenshot below

The screenshot shows the VirtueMart configuration interface. On the left, the 'Media Files Settings' section includes fields for 'Assets URL', 'Category Media URL', 'Product Media URL', 'Manufacturer Media URL', 'Vendor Media URL', 'Safe Path', and 'Thumbnail url for media to sell'. Below these are checkboxes for 'Enable Dynamic Thumbnail Resizing?' (checked), and input fields for 'Thumbnail Image Width' (200) and 'Thumbnail Image Height' (200). There are also dropdowns for 'no image' and 'no image found' images. On the right, the 'Activate Css Styles & Javascripts' section contains several checkboxes: 'Use Fancybox' (unchecked), 'Using the VirtueMart CSS' (checked), 'Using the VirtueMart jQuery' (checked), 'Using the product Scripts' (checked), 'Using the Script ajax Countries / Regions' (checked), 'Use jQuery chosen for dropdowns in FE' (unchecked), and 'Use external google jQuery library' (checked). Red arrows and boxes labeled 1 through 4 point to the 'Enable Dynamic Thumbnail Resizing?' checkbox, the 'Thumbnail Image Width' and 'Thumbnail Image Height' input fields, and the 'Using the VirtueMart CSS', 'Using the VirtueMart jQuery', 'Using the product Scripts', and 'Using the Script ajax Countries / Regions' checkboxes respectively.

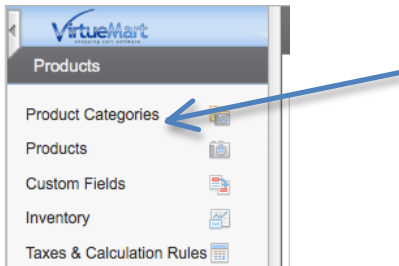
Make sure you have enabled the Dynamic Thumbnail Resizing option. For the best use of our template, you should set your thumbnail size 200px by 200px. Making them too large or too small values might create some weird visual bugs. If you already have uploaded pictures, you have an ongoing website and your thumbnails are larger/smaller than these values, and our template might not look cool (You should give it a try and see how it looks, first) I am afraid you should regenerate your thumbnails with 200x200 again ☹️ Regenerating thumbnail is a tough topic, because just because you change those values, it doesn't mean your thumbnails will be regenerated automatically by itself, only the pictures that you are going to upload from now on will be generate 200x200, the existing pictures must be regenerated manually. Finally, Look at the box number **4** and make sure all you have the EXACT same settings.

4- Now, click the “Checkout” tab and look below for the screenshot:

The screenshot shows the 'Checkout Settings' section in the Shopfront. It contains several checkboxes: 'Enable Automatic Selected Shipment?' (unchecked), 'Enable Automatic Selected Payment?' (unchecked), 'Must agree to Terms of Service on EVERY ORDER?' (unchecked), 'Show Terms of Service on the cart/checkout?' (checked), 'On checkout, ask for registration' (checked), 'Only registered users can checkout' (unchecked), 'Show checkout steps' (unchecked), and 'Show product images' (checked). Red arrows and boxes labeled 1 through 3 point to the 'On checkout, ask for registration', 'Show checkout steps', and 'Show product images' checkboxes respectively.

Make sure you have the same settings, which are highlighted in the screenshot above.

- 5- Okay, now, you change the category layout from Configuration, but some of your categories or products are tend to use some another layout than what you have chosen. There are 2 places that you should check it out for configuring Category Page and Product Detail page layouts. First; click the link that you see in the screenshot below.



Then click any category from the list (start from the first and check all of them one by one), after you click any of them, scroll down the page little bit and look at the screenshot below:

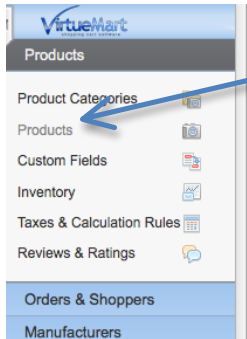
A screenshot of the 'Details' configuration page for a category in VirtueMart. The page contains several settings: 'Ordering' (1. Hand Tools), 'Category Ordering' (Top Level Category), 'Default Number of Products per Row' (0), 'Category Form Limit List Start' (0), 'Category Form Limit List Step' (10), 'Category Form Limit List Max' (0), 'Category Form Initial Display Records' (10), 'Category Template' (Use shop default), 'Category Browse Page' (No override), and 'Default Product Details Page' (No override). Blue arrows point to the 'Default Number of Products per Row' field, the 'Category Template' dropdown, the 'Category Browse Page' dropdown, and the 'Default Product Details Page' dropdown.

Make sure for that particular category “**Default Number of Products per Row**” field is 0, don’t get confused with the 0 (zero). If this field is 0, it means; it will be whatever number you have submitted from the configuration (which we did it in the Step#3). If it is anything rather than 0, then it will be overwritten for that particular category. Also look at the last 3 fields, and make sure they are:

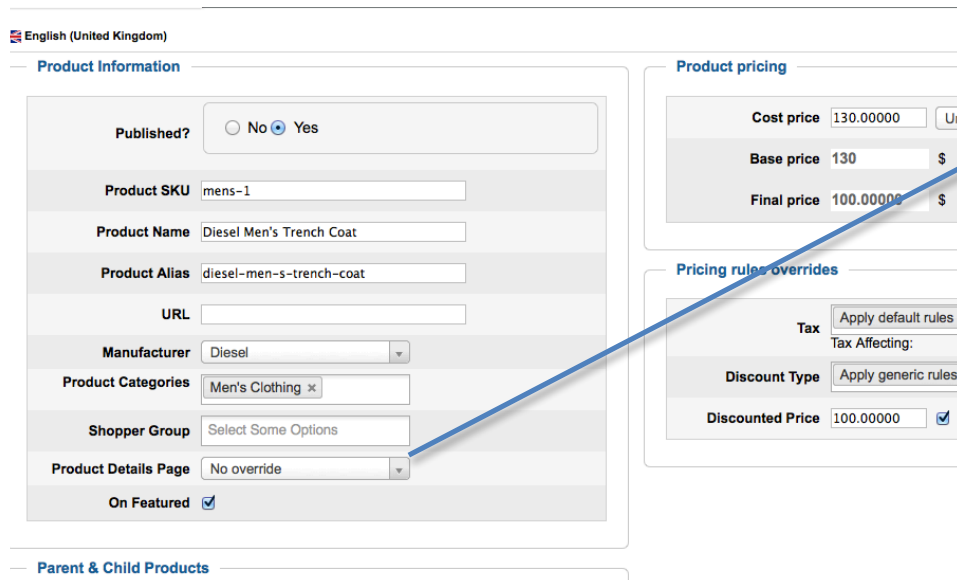
1-User shop default, 2-No override, 3-No override

also by using the above configuration, you can set a particular Category layout and Product Detail Page layout for particular categories. It is pretty usefull if you want to use a different layout for different categories, our template already has 2 different Category and Product layout versions, you can use both of them in a single website for different categories. Anyway, There is one more place that you can change Product Detail Layout (this time only product detail layout, not category layout).

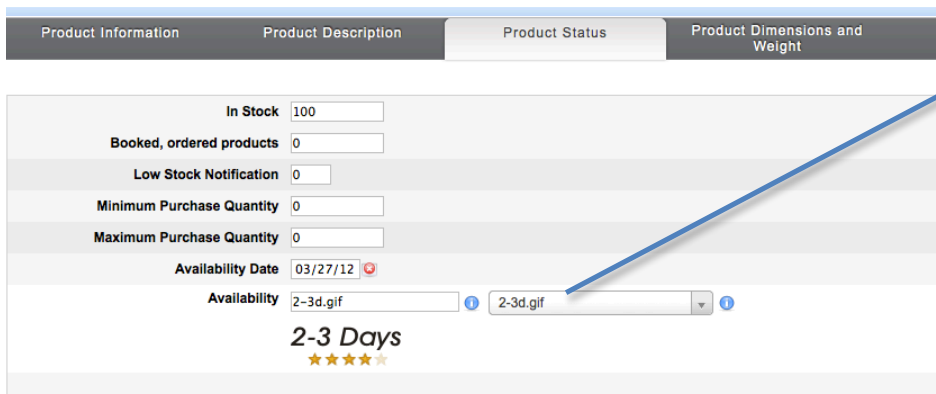
Browse your Product list; And choose one of your products from the list.



This field indicates which Product Detail page will be used for only for this particular product. So it doesn't matter, what you have chosen from configuration or categories sections. If you change this field to something rather than "no override", it means it is final and this layout will be used (of course only for this specific product).



People have asked this so many times, I should mention about it; The shipment icon that you see in our DEMO, that says: 1-2 days, 24 hours, 3-5days shipping.. etc. they appear only if you select any of them. While you are in the product edit page. (the screenshot above was taken from "product edit page"). Click the "Product Status" tab.



And select a Shipment Icon from this dropdown box. Then the icon will start appearing in the product detail page. (For this specific product)

You don't need to do anything for Checkout steps/shopping cart and virtuemart login page design, They will be changed by itself.

Thanks for buying.

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