

# LoftLoader

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# 1. Installation

To install LoftLoader Pro, first you need a working WordPress site. Click the link below to find out how to install WordPress:

[http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing\\_WordPress](http://codex.wordpress.org/Installing_WordPress)

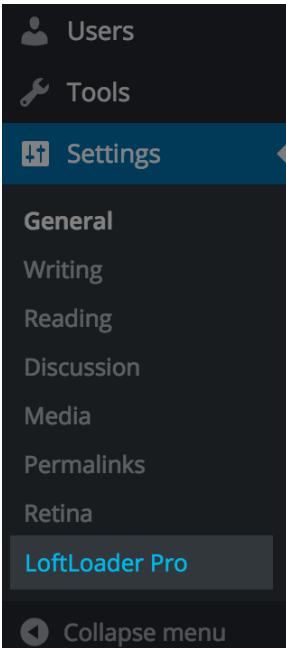
We assume that you already have a running WordPress site. Now let's install LoftLoader.

You need to download the plugin zip file from CodeCanyon first. Go to **Downloads** on CodeCanyon, and find LoftLoader Pro. Download the files and find **loftloader-pro.zip** - that's what you need for installation.

1. On your website dashboard, go to **Plugins > Add New > Upload**.
2. Choose LoftLoader you just downloaded.
3. Install and activate it.

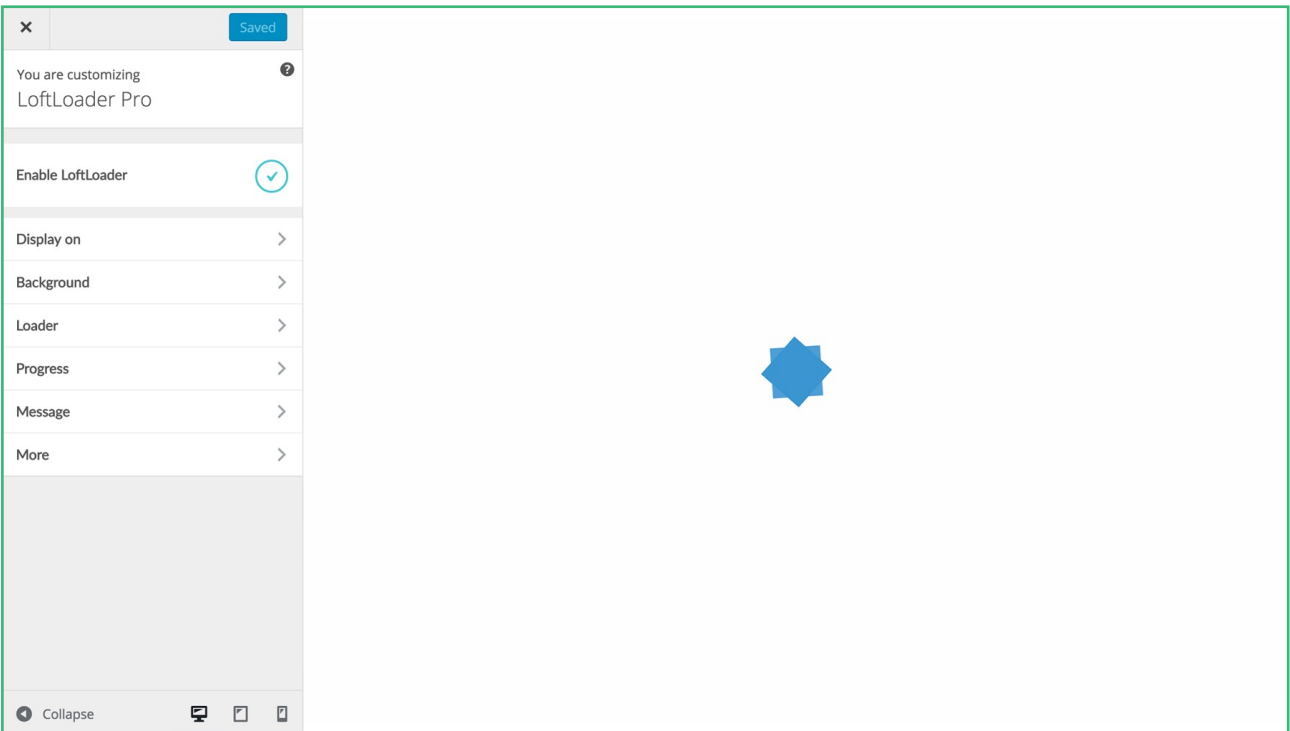
# 2. How to use

## 2.1 Settings Panel

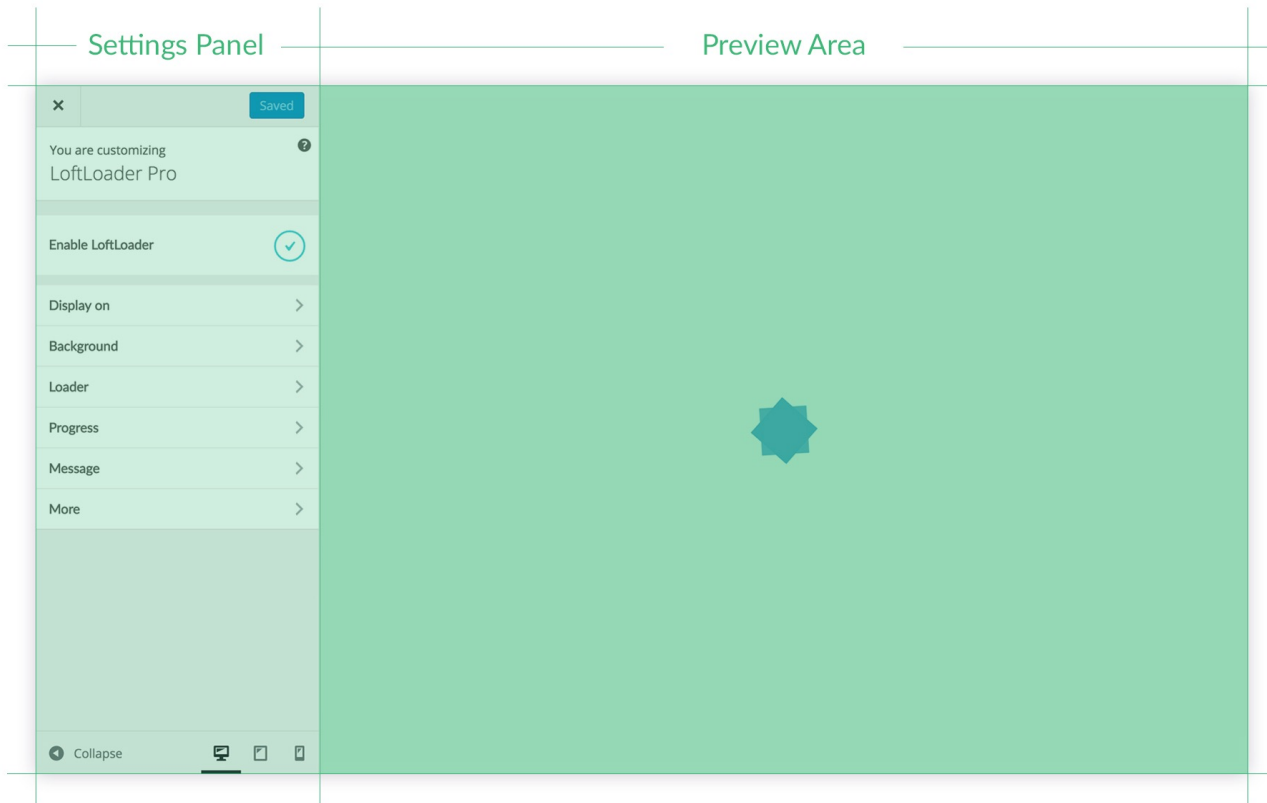


To locate the settings panel, on your WordPress site dashboard, go to **Settings > LoftLoader Pro**.

Click on the **LoftLoader Pro** link to open the **settings screen**:



The settings panel is on the left hand side. It allows you to make changes and preview the result easily.



## 2.2 Enable/Disable LoftLoader

You can choose to turn on or off LoftLoader on your site. It is enabled by default.

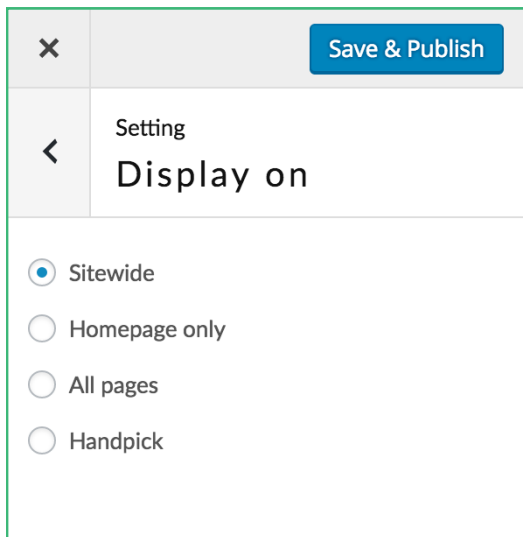
Click on the circle button of **Enable LoftLoader** to switch between on and off state.

When LoftLoader is disabled, all of the settings will be inactivated and turn to grey. It means you cannot make any changes. And the pre-loader will not show on your site.

Turn it on to activate LoftLoader and customize it to fit your site.

## 2.3 Display On

Click on the **Display On** section, and here you can choose where to display the pre-loader. So you are able to show the pre-loader on pages with heavy content only. Use it when necessary. Then for those pages with lightweight content, your site visitors can access to the content fast, no need to wait for the loading animation.



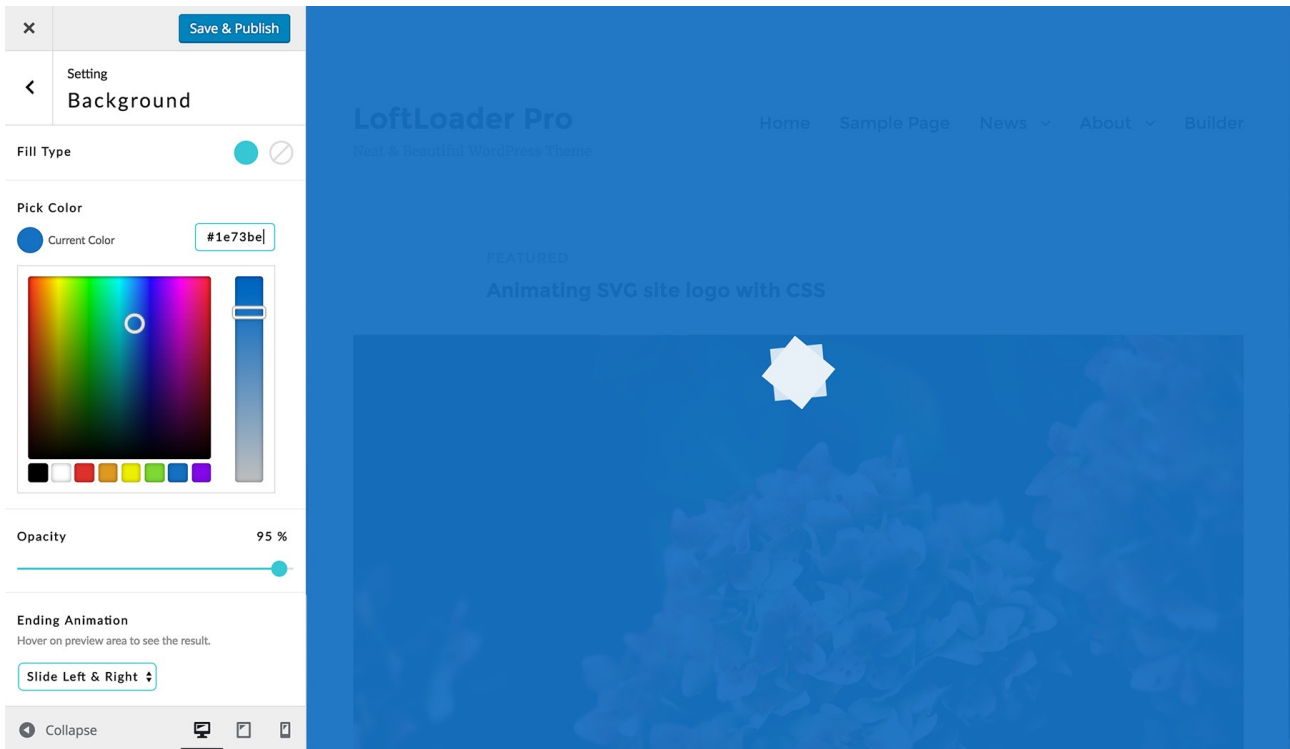
The screenshot shows a settings panel for 'Display on'. At the top right is a blue 'Save & Publish' button. Below it, the title 'Setting Display on' is displayed. There are four radio button options: 'Sitewide' (selected), 'Homepage only', 'All pages', and 'Handpick'.

- **Site-wide** – Display the pre-loader while loading every page/post of the site.
- **Homepage Only** – Display the pre-loader only while loading the homepage.
- **All Pages** – Display the pre-loader while loading pages. When loading a post, the pre-loader will not show.
- **Handpick** – Choose this option, then you will be able to select one or multiple pages/posts to turn on the pre-loader on these pages/posts. Please hold the CTRL key (PC) or COMMAND key (Mac) to select multiple items.

## 2.4 Background

### 2.4.1 Basic Options

Click on the **Background** section, then you can set the styles of the pre-loader's background.

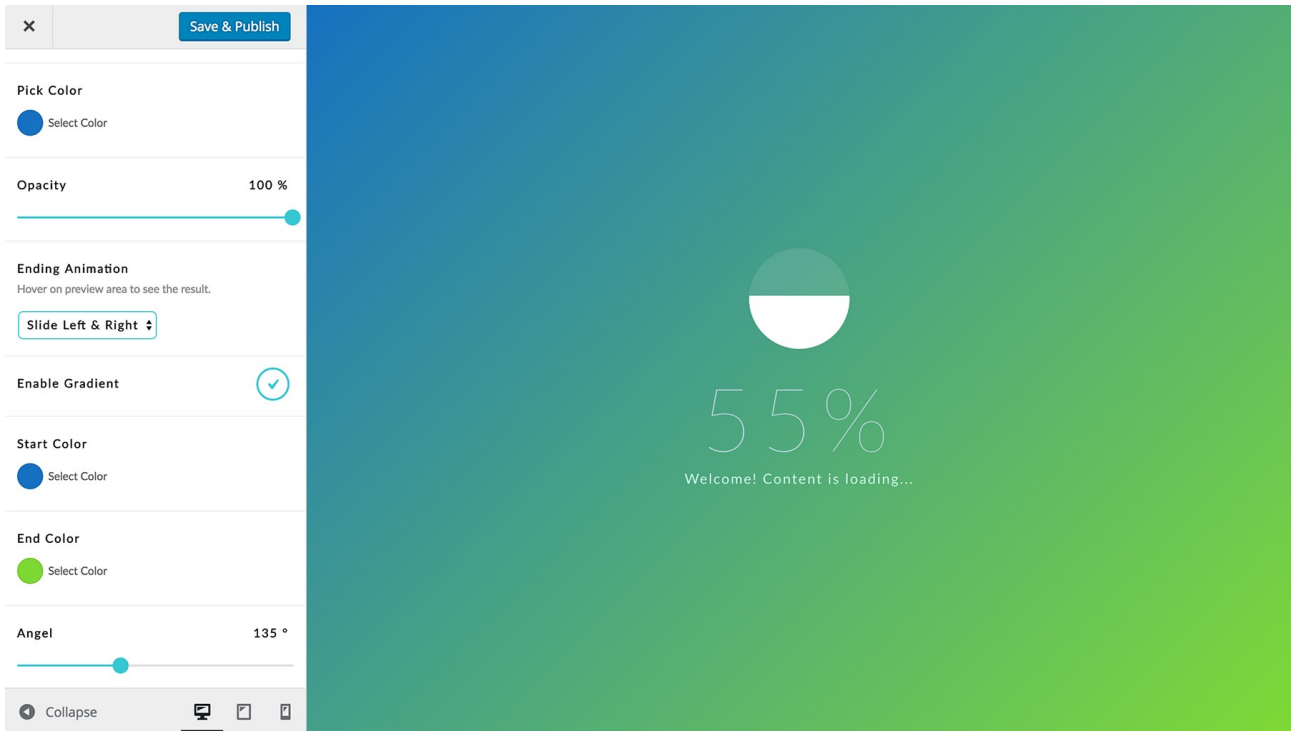


- **Fill Type – Solid/No Color.** If choose **No Color**, then the background will be invisible, and the options below will be disabled. If choose **Solid**, then you can continue to change the background's style.
- **Background Color** – Click to choose a color from the color picker. Or enter the hex value of a color you like.
- **Opacity** – Drag to tweak the background opacity. So visitors can see through the content behind the pre-loader.
- **Ending Animation** – There are 4 animations: **Fade**, **Slide Left & Right**, **Slide Up**, **Slide Up & Down**. Choose one and hover your cursor onto the **preview area** to see the result.

## 2.4.2 Gradient Background

We added support for gradient background since version 1.0.3. Just click to **Enable Gradient**, then pick a **Start Color** and an **End Color**, and drag to change the gradient **Angle**.

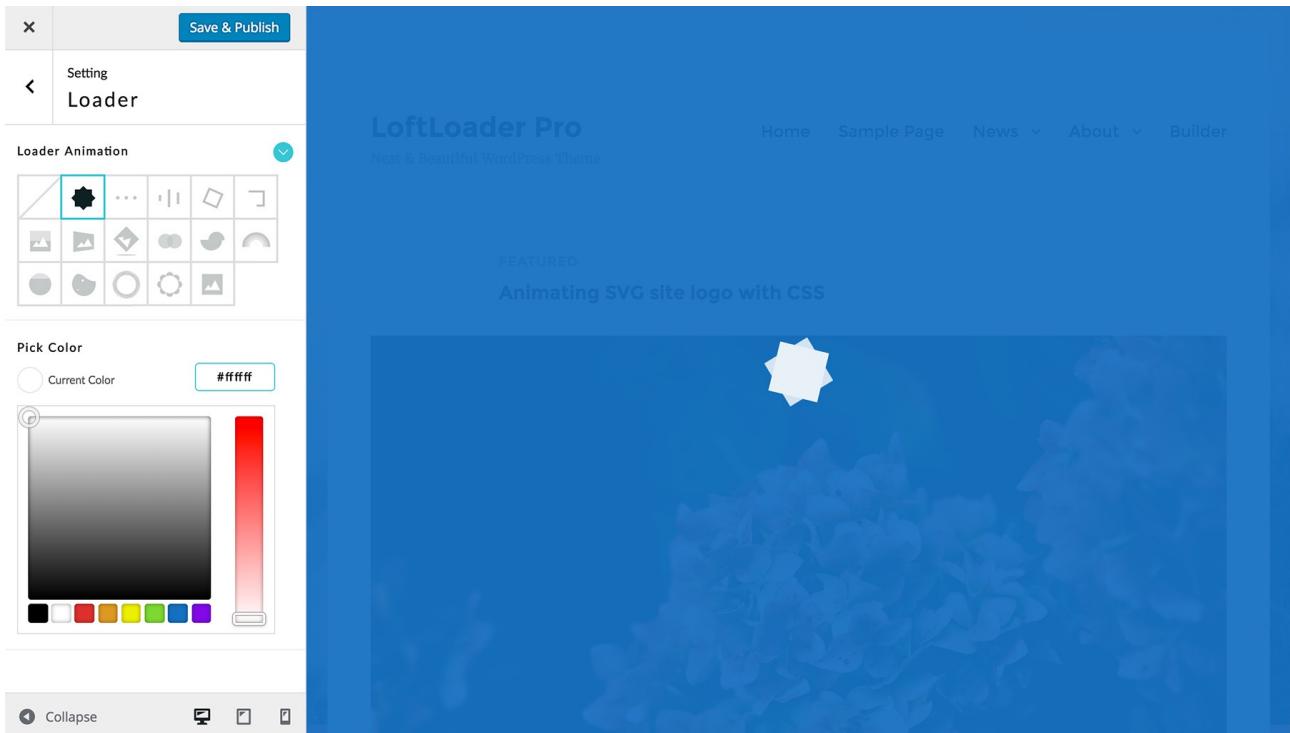
Currently we only support linear gradient between 2 colors.



## 2.5 Loader

Click on the **Loader** section, then you can choose a loader animation and tweak its style.

### 2.5.1 General Options

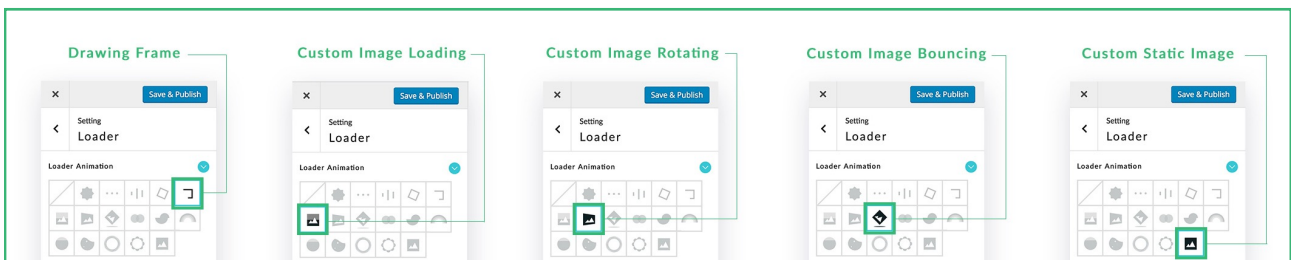


- **Loader Animation** – We provide 16 types of animations. 5 support custom images. And all animations are created with CSS3, not GIF. So it can be set to any color. You can also disable the loader, and only show progress bar or counting percentage (see in **Progress**).
- **Loader Color** – Click to choose a color from the color picker. Or enter the hex value of a color you like. Please note: some animations support multiple colors.
- **Looping** – All animations are **looping forever** by default. Some support **Loop Once**. When you select an animation supporting **Loop Once**, this option will show. If choose **Loop Once**, the animation will play along with the loading progress, and end when preloading is completed.

## 2.5.2 Add Custom Image

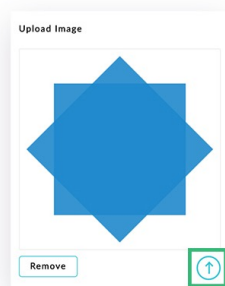
When choose one of these 5 animations, you can upload a custom brand image:


- A. Drawing Frame
- B. Custom Image Loading
- C. Custom Image Rotating
- D. Custom Image Bouncing
- E. Custom Static Image



Then you will see the options below:

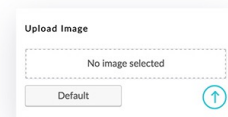
- **Upload Image** – Click on the **Upload** button to add a custom image, for example, the site logo.



We put a default image there, you can click on the **Remove** button to delete it, or just click on the **Upload** button  to upload your own image.

**Upload Button**

When remove the default image, it will look like this.



- **Image Width** – To keep your custom image look sharp on retina devices, we recommend upload an image with 2x size and give 1x size. For example, upload an image which is 200 x 200 px, and enter 100 px as the image width value. **Please note:** If you choose **Drawing Frame**, then this option is not available because the frame size is 80 x 80px, your custom image will be set to 64 x 64 px to fit the frame.

- **Direction** – When choose **Custom Image Loading** or **Custom Image Rotating**, this option will show.
  - **Custom Image Loading** – You can choose loading the image **horizontally** or **vertically**.
  - **Custom Image Rotating** – The image can be rotated in 2D or 3D space.
- **Also Rolling** – When choose **Custom Image Bouncing**, this option will show. Check it then your image will be also rolling while bouncing.

## 2.5.3 More Options for Specific Animations

And more. Some options only show and work for one type of animation. And you can always play with the options and see the result in the preview area instantly.

## 2.6 Progress

Click on the **Progress** section, then you can choose a progress indicator and style it.

The screenshot displays the 'Progress' settings in the LoftLoader Pro interface. On the left, a sidebar contains a 'Setting Progress' section with a 'Save & Publish' button. Below this, there is a 'Progress' section with a preview of a progress bar and instructions: 'Hover on preview area and wait for 3 seconds to see the result.' The settings include:
 

- Position:** Top, Middle (selected), Bottom
- Width:** 30 %
- Height:** 2 px
- Pick Color:** Select Color (with a blue circle icon)

 The main preview area shows a blue background with a white starburst icon and a progress bar. The top navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Sample Page', 'News', 'About', and 'Builder'. The main content area features the text 'LoftLoader Pro Next & beautiful WordPress Theme' and 'FEATURED Animating SVG site logo with CSS'.

- **Progress** – 3 options: **None/Bar/Percentage**.
  - **None** – No progress indicator will show.
  - **Bar** – Display an animated loading bar.
  - **Percentage** – Show loading progress as a counting percentage number from 0% to 100%.

When choose **None**, then options below will be disabled and turn to grey. You don't need to do any further actions to it.

## 2.6.1 Progress Bar

When choose **Bar**:

- **Position** – **Top/Middle/Bottom**.
  - When choose **Top** or **Bottom**, the loading bar will be put at the top or the bottom of the browser window.
  - When choose **Middle**, if there is also a loading animation, the bar will be put below the animation. If no animation, the bar will be right in the middle of the browser window.
- **Width** – Give a width value of the loading bar. You can click on the unit to switch between **px** and **%**.
- **Height** – Give a height value of the loading bar. The unit is **px**.
- **Color** – Click to choose a color from the color picker. Or enter the hex value of a color you like.

## 2.6.2 Percentage

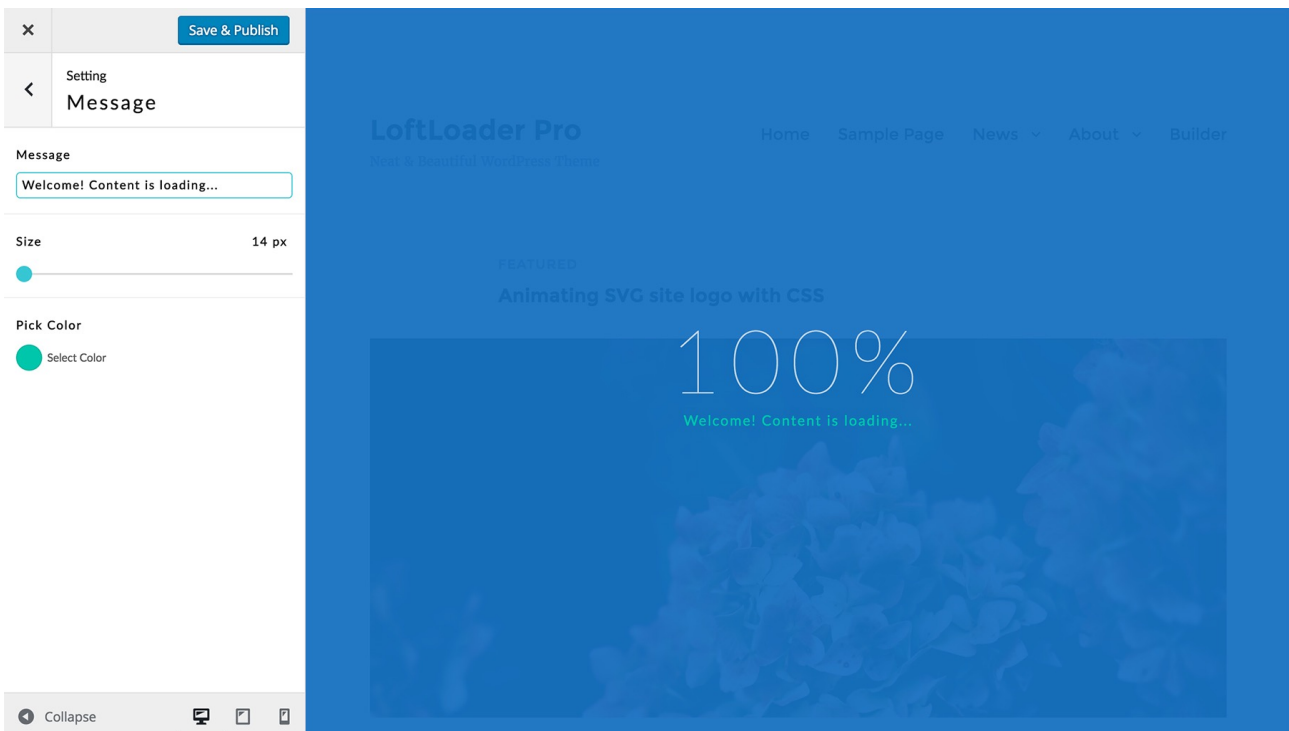
When choose **Percentage**:

- **Position** – **Middle/Below Loader**.

- When choose **Middle**, the percentage number will be put right in the middle of the browser window, no matter if there is a loader or not. **Please note:** If your pre-loader also has custom message, then the percentage number will be put above the message.
- When choose **Below Loader**, the percentage number will be show below the loader. If no loader, the percentage will be right in the middle of the browser window.
- **Layer** – When choose **Middle** as position, this option will show. Choose **Front** to bring the percentage number to the front layer of the loader. Choose **Back**, the percentage will be put behind the loader.
- **Size** – Drag to change font size.
- **Color** – Click to choose a text color from the color picker. Or enter the hex value of a color you like.

## 2.7 Message

Click on the **Message** section, then you can add custom welcome/loading message and style it.



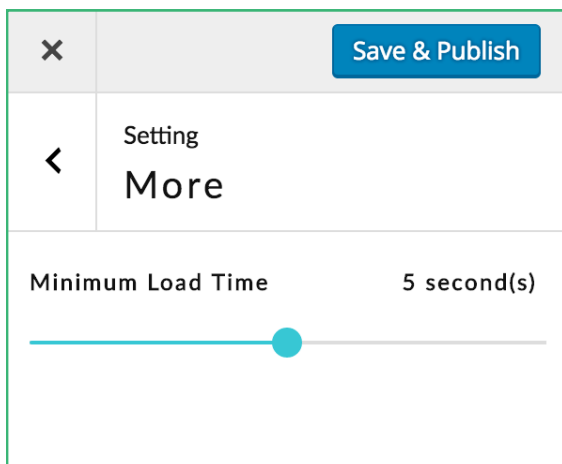
- **Message** – Enter custom message, such as **Welcome** or **Content is loading** or anything else. The message will show after any other element (loader, progress bar, percentage, except the progress bar is set to screen top or bottom).
- **Size** – Drag to change font size.
- **Color** – Click to choose a text color from the color picker. Or enter the hex value of a color you like.

## 2.8 More

Click on the **More** section, then you can find more options.

### 2.8.1 Minimum Load Time

This option lets you to set the minimum value of the pre-loader's load time duration. It prevents the pre-loader from disappearing too fast - you may want to show the pre-loader (with your brand image) clearly to your site visitors.

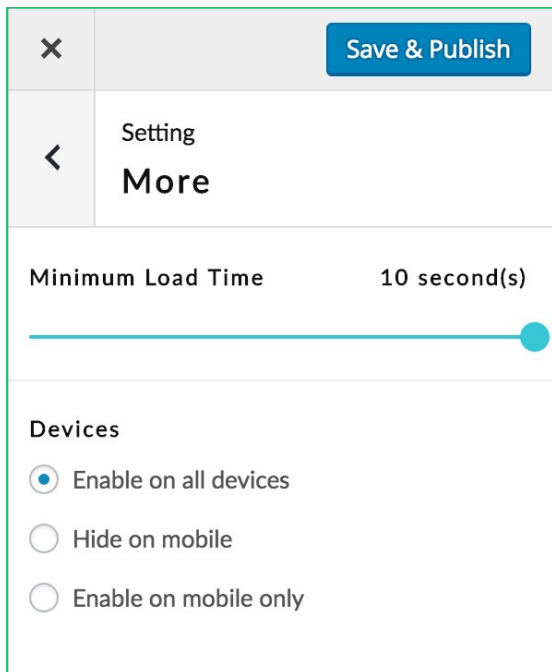


It is the **minimum** value. It means if your page content is light-weight, let's say it only need 1 second to load all content, and you set the Minimum Load Time to 5 seconds, then the pre-loader will show for 5 seconds before it's gone. If your page need 10 seconds to complete loading, then

your setting (5 seconds) will not affect the real loading time. The pre-loader will fade away after all content has been loaded.

## 2.8.2 Devices

You can choose to show the pre-loader on which type of devices. It allows you to hide the pre-loader on mobile devices, or create a splash/launch screen on mobile devices only.



The screenshot shows a settings panel with a close button (X) and a 'Save & Publish' button. The title is 'Setting More'. Below the title, there is a slider for 'Minimum Load Time' set to '10 second(s)'. Underneath, there is a 'Devices' section with three radio button options: 'Enable on all devices' (selected), 'Hide on mobile', and 'Enable on mobile only'.

**Please note:** the options in the **More** section only work on front end. It means when you change the settings, nothing will happen in the preview area. Set the load time (and devices option), and save, changes will be applied to your site.

Thanks for purchasing LoftLoader Pro. Hope you like it!

Sincerely,  
The Loft Ocean Team