Level Up Your Layout!

Component Based SiteBuilding with Layout Builder and View Modes





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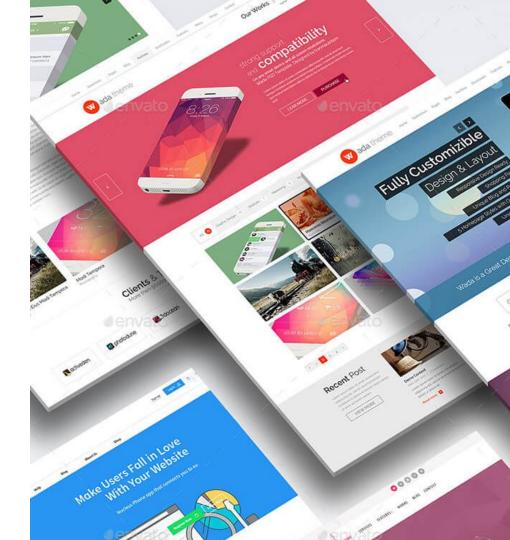
Topics Covered

- → Design to Development
- View Modes
- → Layout Builder
- → View Modes + Layout Builder Basics
- → Demo!
- → Leveled Up Layouts
- → Considerations



Design to Development

Get the Design





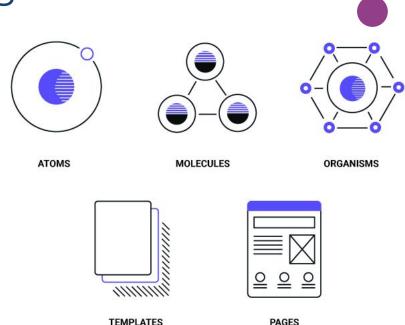
Review the Site's Design

Identify Similarities

- → Banners
- → lists
- → Grids
- → Full content layouts
- → Embellishments / callouts

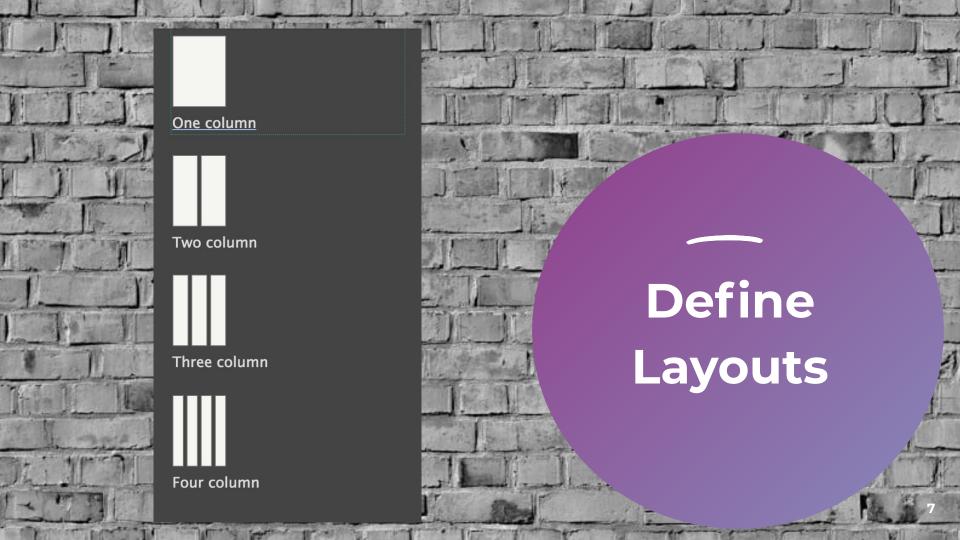
Component based design / Atomic Design

http://atomicdesign.bradfrost.com/



Source: https://dribbble.com/shots/6324875-Atomic-Design-Icons







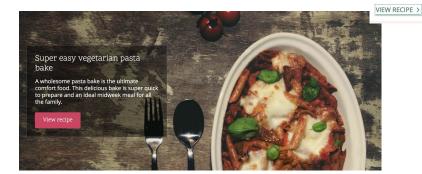






Fiery chili sauce

Define Components



Home

Explore recipes across every type of occasion, ingredient, and skill level.

Name Layouts & Components

- 1. Non-technical people consume the names.
- 2. KISS (Keep it Stupid Simple*)
- 3. Keep it obvious
- 4. Keep it descriptive
- 5. Plan for reuse
- 6. Proper level of specificity





Map Components to Content

A single item of content (recipe) can be displayed in many ways.

Identify and document each time the content item can be displayed.

- Full Content
- Card
- Teaser





Fiery chili sauce

VIEW RECIPE >





VIEW RECIPE >



Deep mediterranean quiche

An Italian inspired quiche with sun dried tomatoes and courgette. A perfect light meal for a summer's day.

Recipe category: Main courses

Tags: Pastry Egg



Preparation time: 40 minutes

⊕ Cooking time: 30 minutes

10 Number of servings: 8

n Difficulty: Medium

For the pastry:	Half a courgette
280g plain flour	450ml soya milk
140g butter	500g grated parmesan
Cold water	2 eggs
For the filling:	200g sun dried
1 onion	tomatoes
	100g feta

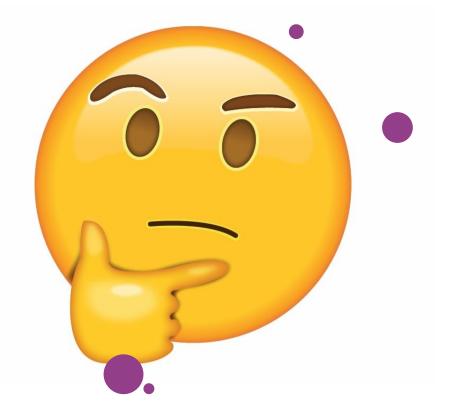
Recipe instruction

Preheat the oven to 400°F/200°C. Starting with the pastry; rub the flour and butter together in a bowl until crumbling like breadcrumbs. Add water, a little at a time, until it forms a dough.



Considerations

- Avoid too much specificity
- Leverage existing best practices
- → Focus on reusability & patterns



View Modes

"Definition"

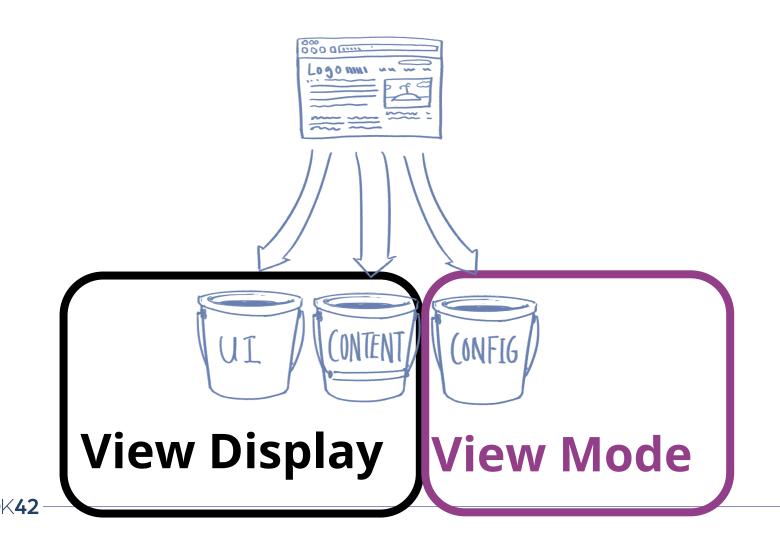
"It is all the stuff on the Manage Display tab."



What is a View Mode?

A View Display is the rendered output of an entity following the configuration rules defined in a View Mode.





Brief History of View Modes



Drupal 6

Build Mode module (CCK)



Drupal 7

Core has them but lacks UI tools.

Contrib adds entity support & UI tools.



Drupal 8

UI tools in core!

All entities have View Modes!

Contrib adds to entity support & UI tools



View Modes are useful!

- → Configure layouts with no code!
- Provide multiple layouts for the same content!
- → Add a layer of tools for content display:
 - → QuickEdit
 - Layout configuration
 - → Minimal styles
 - → Field formatter





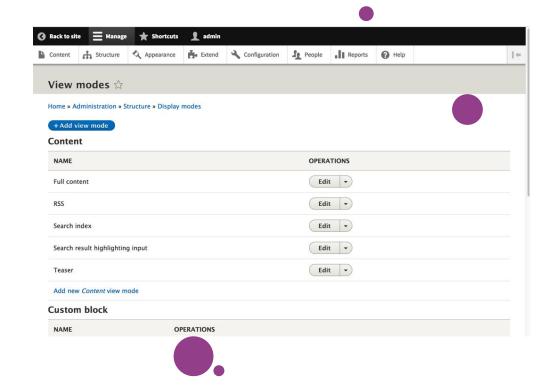
Where do View Modes Live?

Structure > Display modes > View Modes

/admin/structure/display-modes/view

Prerequisites

- Name
- → Bundle Type

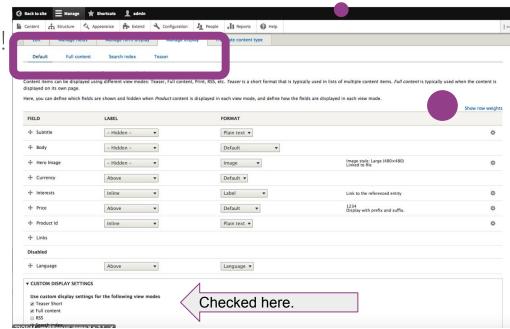




Why don't they show up?

Enable the View Modes Display!

- Structure > Content types >
 [type] > Manage display
- 2. Open CUSTOM DISPLAY SETTINGS fieldset.
- 3. Check the View Modes you would like to configure for this content type.





Applied View Modes

Site: Unami Drupal 8 Install

Content Type: Article

View: Article aside / Card

Block: not in Unami

Custom Entity: not in Unami

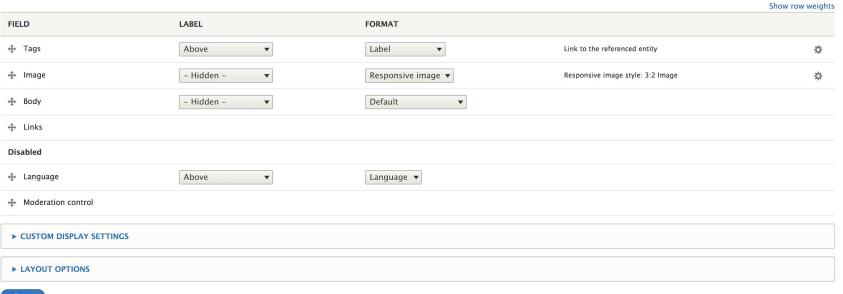




Home » Administration » Structure » Content types » Article

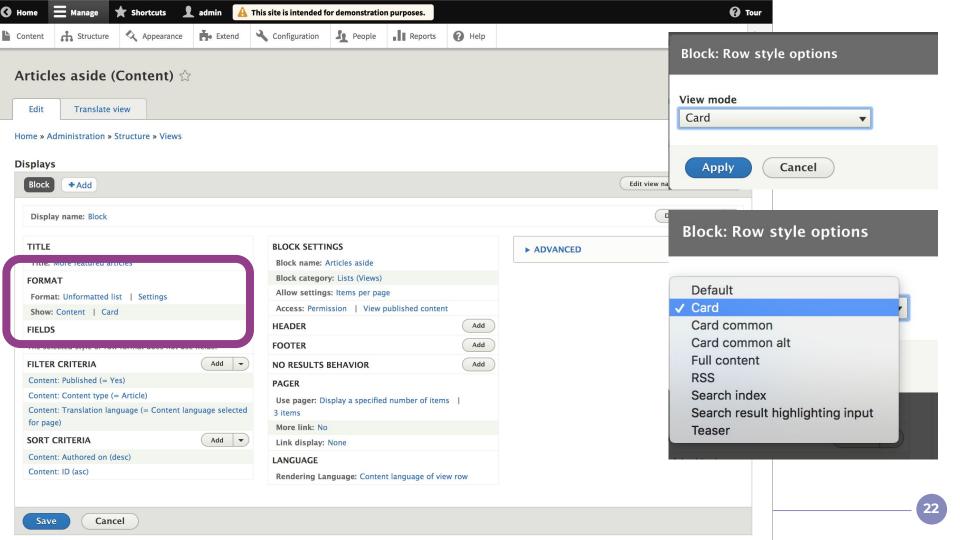
Content items can be displayed using different view modes: Teaser, Full content, Print, RSS, etc. *Teaser* is a short format that is typically used in lists of multiple content items. *Full content* is typically used when the content is displayed on its own page.

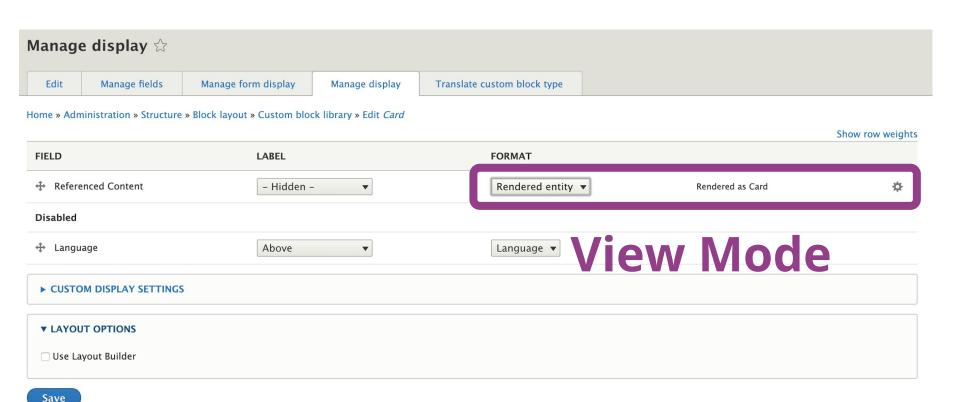
Here, you can define which fields are shown and hidden when Article content is displayed in each view mode, and define how the fields are displayed in each view mode.













Name Your View Modes

- 1. Naming is important and is hard. Use industry standards.
- 2. "Teaser 1" doesn't mean anything.
- 3. "Article Teaser"? Why?! One view mode per content type may not be necessary. You can reuse view modes!
- 4. Name them in a Broad to Narrow fashion.
- 5. Reduce unnecessary View Modes to reduce clutter.



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Words.

- Full content displays the most content of a single entity.
 Commonly "the" URL for the content. (Default)
- Teasers display content in a listing format.
- Cards display content in a grid format.
- → Banners display content in banded layouts for call to actions. Used in cross-linking and lead generation.
- Admin variants display content used by internal teams to manage content. Inventory, tagging, tech specs.



Naming Convention



[Content Specificity]

- + [**Entity** Specificity]
- + [View Mode **Family**]
- + [View Mode Variant]
 - + [Display Context]



Domain	Display Modes	
Kingdom	View Modes Form Modes	
Phylum	Content Type Block Term Comment	Per content entity
Class	Teaser Full Content Banner Card Admin	Per display similarity
Order	Short Teaser Long Teaser	Variant per display class
Family	Product Short Teaser	Content entity + Display
	Commonly becomes the conversational name/ticket name of a view mode applied to content.	Differentiator: Variant per display "class" and per entity bundle
	Represents specific content entity + specific	Example:



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Genus	Video Product Short Teaser Clothing Product Short Teaser	Content Specificity + Content Entity + Display
Species	Video Product Short Teaser Short - ES	Differentiator: Content Specificity + Content Entity + Display
	Conversational name for project management / tickets. Implementation would be: Video Short Teaser View Mode - ES applied to Product Content Type	+ Display Context Example: Specific type of content has a very specific display variant that is different per language. (German)

Considerations

- Avoid too much specificity
- Leverage existing best practices
- → Focus on reusability & patterns
- Focus on user success





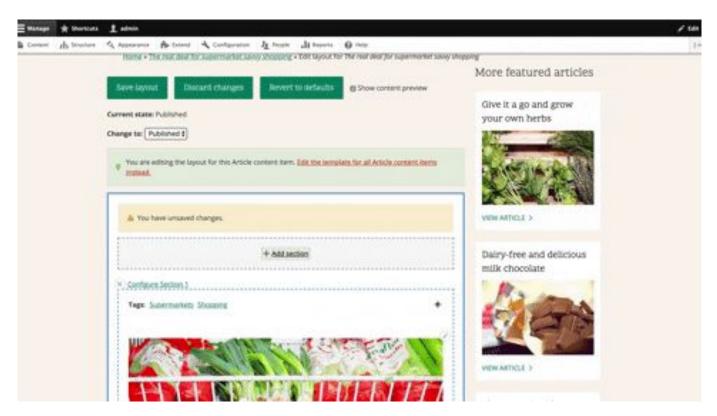
Layout Builder

What is Layout Builder?

Layout Builder is new display management interface for Drupal 8, allowing users to drag-and-drop fields, blocks, and other content to build page layouts in the browser.



It looks like this!



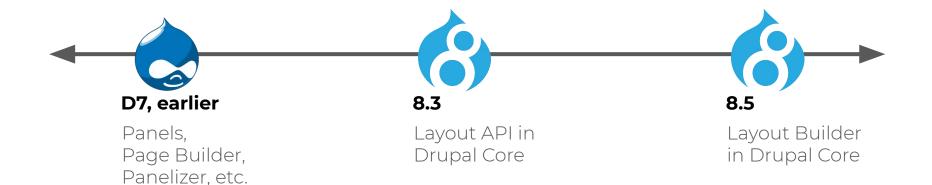


A Brief History of Layout Builder





Brief History of Layout Builder





What's in a Layout?





What's in a Layout?

- Twig (template)
- YML (definition)
- CSS/JS (styling, etc.)

```
{% if content %}

<div {{ attributes.addClass('two-column') }}>
{% if content.main %}

<div {{ region_attributes.main.addClass('main-region') }}>

{{ content.main }}

</div>
{% endif %}
{% if content.sidebar %}

<div {{ region_attributes.sidebar.addClass('sidebar-region') }}>

{{ content.sidebar }}

</div>
{% endif %}

</div>
{% endif %}

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{% endif %}</div>
{% endif %}</div>
{% endif %}</div>
</div>
```

```
advanced_layout_2:
    label: Advanced Layout 2
    category: My Layouts
    template: templates/advanced-layout-2
    # Replace "MY_MODULE_OR_THEME" with the machine name of your module
or theme.
    library: MY_MODULE_OR_THEME/advanced-layout-library
    regions:
    main:
        label: Main content
```



Where does Layout Builder Live?

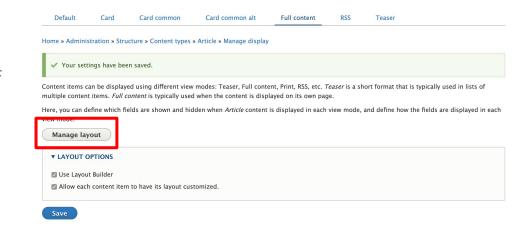




Two Places to Use Layout Builder: Pt 1

Layout Defaults:

- Drop-in replacement for "Manage Display"
- Drag-and-drop placement of content fields (from edit form)
- Optional placement of additional blocks and content.
- Applied as the "default" layout

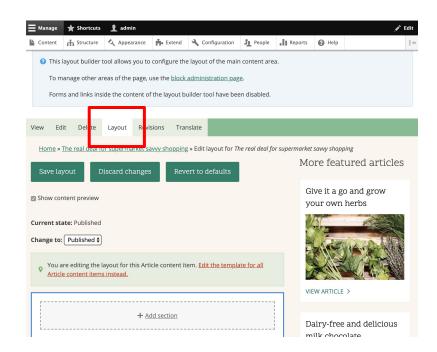




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Layout Overrides:

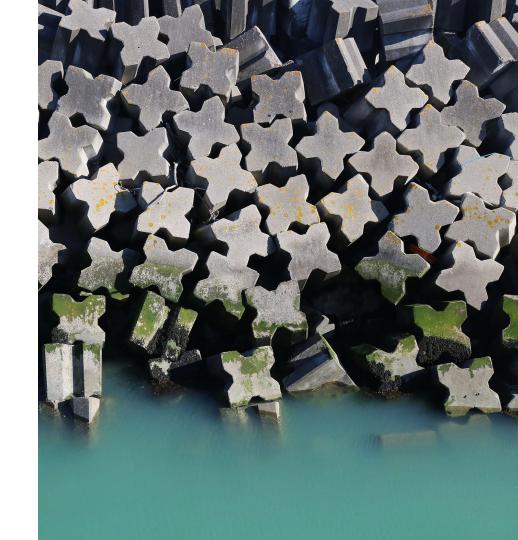
- Custom, one-off layout for one specific piece of content.
- → Can remove, add, or extend content from default layout.





View Modes + Layout Builder Basics

How can we leverage our existing content (nodes) to generate Layout Builder Content?

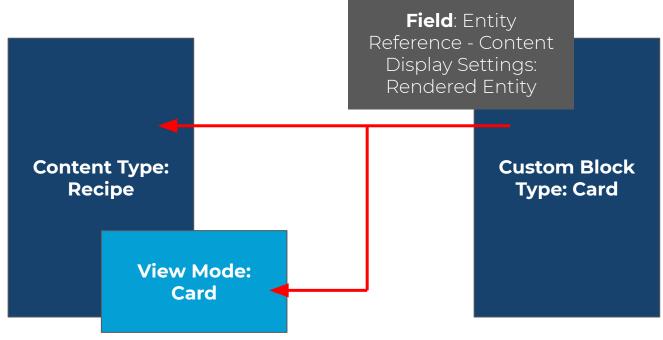




Map view modes to custom block types, using an entity reference to render the entity with a given view mode.



View Mode/Custom Block Type Mapping







Considerations

- Understand your applied scope
- → Consistent location of customizations (config vs. css)
- Permissions
- Visibility to editor

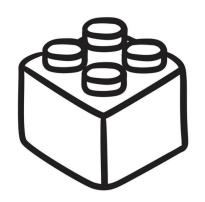




Leveled Up Layouts

Layout Builder vs. Paragraphs

- → You can use them together (contrib)
- → Custom Blocks for "chunks" of content
- → Don't have to install more modules!
- → Less performance impact with native blocks
- → In-context UI vs. form-field only interface



VS.





Layout Builder & Multilingual

- Core Multilingual
- → Contrib Extensions
- → Translation (same layout, translated words)
- → Localization (different layout per language)
- Mindful multilingual configuration





Considerations

- Beware of block-ception
- Defaults vs. overrides in the wild
- → Complexity & confusion
- Document your implementation
- → Content Editors are using it





Takeaways

Something Witty.

- → Layout Builder is constantly improving.
- → Using it will help improve it.
- Create your strategy
 BEFORE site building.
- → Read the CURRENT docs and watch the CURRENT videos.
- → Contribute to the issue queues.





