

Joomla!

1.6+

# S5 Installing a Site Shaper Tutorial

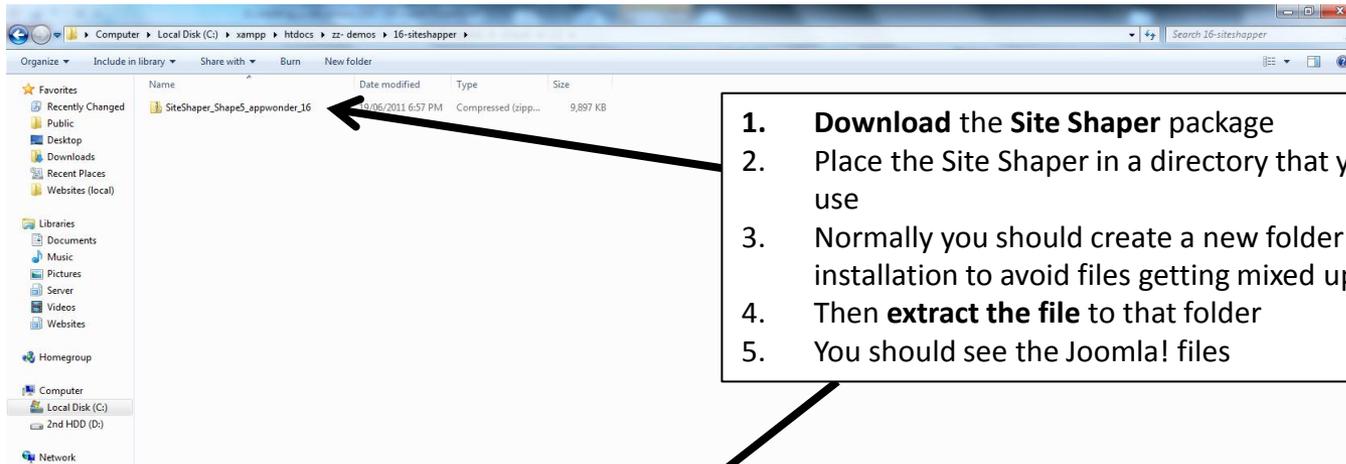
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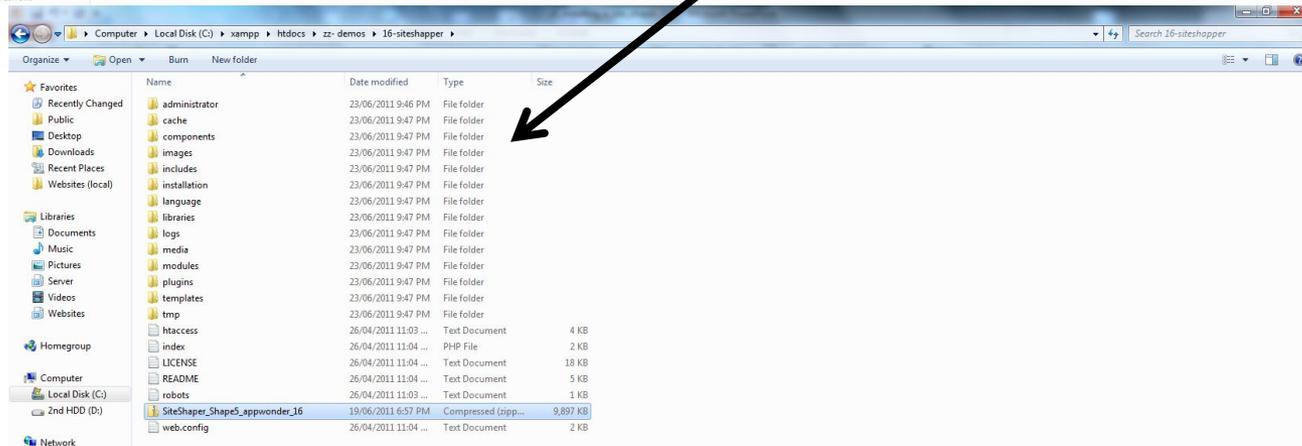
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First download the Joomla! 1.6+ Site Shaper that you wish to install from the Shape5 website – [www.shape5.com](http://www.shape5.com)

## Install the Site Shaper as follows



1. Download the Site Shaper package
2. Place the Site Shaper in a directory that you wish to use
3. Normally you should create a new folder for each new installation to avoid files getting mixed up
4. Then **extract the file** to that folder
5. You should see the Joomla! files



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**Select Language**

Please select the language to use during the Joomla! installation steps:

Some language installations can cause installation errors on certain servers. If you come across any error messages during installation please try keeping the language set to the default English US, you can install a language package from the following location after installation, [Language Packs](#)

- Afrikaans (South Africa)
- Arabic Unitaq(العربية الموحدة)
- Azeri (Azerbaijan)
- Беларуская (Беларусь)
- Български (България)
- Bengali (Bangladesh)
- Bosanski (Bosnia)
- Catalan
- Kurdish Sorani (کوردی)
- Czech (Czech republic)
- Danish (DK)
- German (DE-CH-AT)
- Greek
- English (Australia)
- English (United Kingdom)
- English (United States)**
- Esperanto
- Spanish (Español)
- Estonian
- Persian (فارسی)
- Finnish (Suomi)
- Français (Fr)
- Galician (Galiza)
- Gujarati (India)

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1. **Create a database** either online or on your local machine depending on where you are installing the Site Shaper
2. Remember to **write down** the details such as the **“Database Name”, “Username”, and “Password”** as well as the **“Hostname”**. You will need these later on in the installation. If you do not know how to do this you can follow the **“creating a database in phpMyAdmin”** tutorial.
3. Open up your **web browser**
4. Navigate to the directory where you have extracted the file (the instructions below may help)
  - a) **Local Installations**
    - i. For local installations you will probably navigate to “localhost”
    - ii. XAMPP users should place their files in a folder within the “htdocs” folder
    - iii. XAMPP users will find they should navigate to <http://localhost/yourfolder/>  
Where “yourfolder” is the name of the folder where you have saved your files
  - b) **Web Installations**
    - i. For web directories you should navigate to the directory where you have placed the files
5. You should see the page shown above
6. Click **“Next”**

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## Pre-Installation Check

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## Pre-installation check for Joomla! 1.6.3 Stable [ Onward ] 18-Apr-2011 23:00 GMT:

If any of these items is not supported (marked as **No**) then please take actions to correct them. Failure to do so could lead to your Joomla! installation not functioning correctly.

PHP Version >= 5.2.4	Yes
Zlib Compression Support	Yes
XML Support	Yes
MySQL Support	Yes
MB Language is Default	Yes
MB String Overload Off	Yes
INI Parser Support	Yes
JSON Support	Yes
configuration.php Writeable	Yes

## Recommended settings:

These settings are recommended for PHP in order to ensure full compatibility with Joomla!. However, Joomla! will still operate if your settings do not quite match the recommended.

Directive	Recommended	Actual
Safe Mode	Off	Off
Display Errors	Off	On
File Uploads	On	On
Magic Quotes Runtime	Off	Off
Register Globals	Off	Off
Output Buffering	Off	Off
Session Auto Start	Off	Off

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1. Joomla! will complete it's pre-installation check.
2. The top window shows required elements. **If any** of these are **set to "No"** you need to rectify them before it will let you install Joomla!
3. The bottom window shows recommended elements. If any of these are "off" you can ignore them, but it is recommended that you fix them at some point in the future.
4. If you wish to change anything, do so and then click on "check again"
5. If you are happy to proceed **click on "next"**

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### Connection Settings

A Joomla! website stores all of its data in a database. This screen gives the installation program the information needed to create this database.

If you are installing Joomla! on a remote web server, you will need to get this information from your host.

Some web hosts require that you create the database before you install Joomla. If you get the message "Could not connect to the database", check that your user name and password are correct. If you still get this message, check with your host to see if you need to create the database before installing Joomla.

### Basic Settings

Database Type *	MySQLi	<i>This is probably "MySQLi"</i>
Host Name *	localhost	<i>This is usually "localhost"</i>
Username *	root	<i>Either something as "root" or a username given by the host</i>
Password	••••••••	<i>For site security using a password for the mysql account is mandatory</i>
Database Name *	16-testbed	<i>Some hosts allow only a certain DB name per site. Use table prefix in this case for distinct Joomla! sites.</i>
Table Prefix *	jos_	<i>Choose a database prefix. Ideally, three or four characters long, contain only alphanumeric characters, and MUST end in an underscore. Do not use "bak_" since this is used for backup tables.</i>
Old Database Process *	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Backup <input type="radio"/> Remove	<i>Any existing backup tables from former Joomla! installations will be replaced</i>

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1. You need to know your "Host Name", "Username", "Password", and "Database Name"
2. You should have created a database prior to this installation, if you have not done so, do so now.
3. If you do not know your details you should contact your host and ask them
4. If you are hosting the site locally try using the suggestions that Joomla! provides or seek help on the Joomla! website
5. You can probably leave "mysql" as it is, however, if your host advises you differently you should change this
6. You must **fill all of the details** except the advanced settings.
7. You do not need to change the advanced settings for a Site Shaper installation.
8. In the top right hand corner **click on "Next"** after you have filled in all of the details

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## FTP Configuration

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### FTP Configuration (Optional - Most Users Can Skip This Step - Press Next to Skip)

On some servers you may need to provide FTP credentials for installation to complete. If you have difficulties completing installation without these credentials, check with your host to determine if this is necessary.

For security reasons, it is best to create a separate FTP user account with access to the Joomla! installation only and not the entire web server. Your host can assist you with this.

**Note:** If you are installing on a Windows Operating System, the FTP layer is **not** required.

#### Basic Settings

Enable FTP Layer \*

FTP Username  Warning! It is recommended to leave this blank and enter your FTP username each time you transfer files.

FTP Password  Warning! It is recommended to leave this blank and enter your FTP password each time you transfer files.

FTP Root Path

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1. You should arrive at this page.
2. You can fill in these details if you wish but it is often best to leave them blank at this point and fill them in once the installation is complete. After installation you can find these fields under “Global Configuration”, then “server”.
3. Either fill the fields in or leave the fields blank, once you have completed one of these actions, **click on “Next”**

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## Main Configuration

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## Site Name

Enter the name of your Joomla! site.  
Optional: You can also enter Meta Description and Meta keywords for your site.

## Basic Settings

Site Name \*

[Advanced Settings - Optional](#)

Admin Email \*

Admin Username \* admin

Admin Password \*

Confirm Admin Password \*

Sample Data set

Default English (GB) Sample Data

**CLICK INSTALL SAMPLE DATA TO INSTALL SHAPE 5 DEMO DATA.**

Sample Data installed successfully.

*Installing sample data is strongly recommended for beginners. This will install sample content that is included in the Joomla! installation package.*

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1. First fill in all of the fields
2. Whilst doing this you will create an “Admin Password”, it’s probably best to make a note of this somewhere
3. As you are installing a Site Shaper it is assumed you wish to utilise the Shape 5 Demo Data and start off with a site replicating the site shown in the Shape 5 Demo
4. To do this you must click on “Install Sample Data”
5. Once you have clicked on this you should see the “Sample Data Installed Successfully” message appear where the button once was.
6. In the top right hand corner click on “Next” to continue

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## Finish

**Congratulations! Joomla! is now installed.**

Click the Site button to view your Joomla! Web site or the Admin button to take you to your administrator login.

On the Joomla! Community Site, you will find a list of links to available language packs as well as links to language related resources on the Joomla.org family of sites.

Click the button on the right to open the Community Site in a new window.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO COMPLETELY REMOVE THE INSTALLATION DIRECTORY.**  
**You will not be able to proceed beyond this point until the installation directory has been removed. This is a security feature of Joomla!.**

Remove installation folder

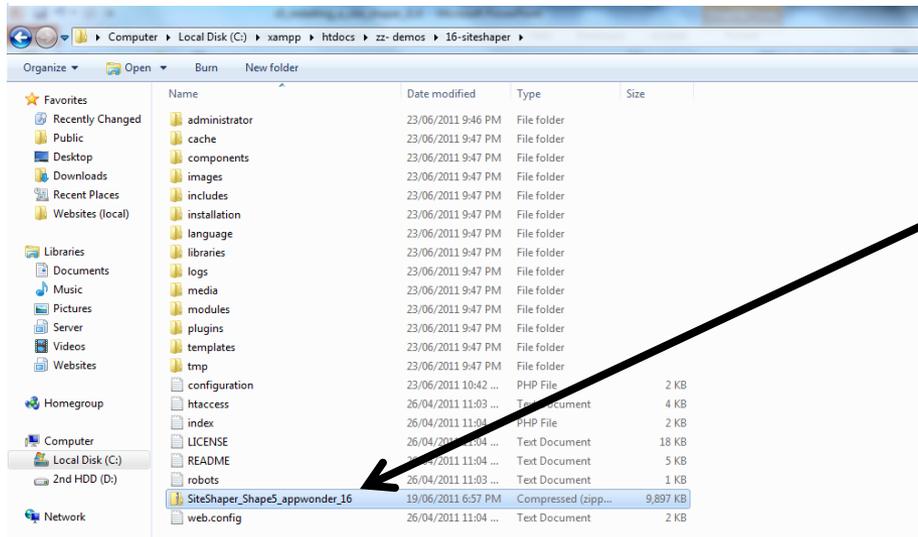
Administration Login Details

Username : admin

Joomla! in your own language?

Visit the Joomla! Community Site for language packs downloads.

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1. Congratulations you have installed a Site Shaper!
2. Don't forget to **remove the installation directory**. You can do this by clicking on "remove installation folder"
3. It is best to **delete** the original **compressed package** too
4. Once you have deleted the installation folder and the package file **click on "Admin"** in the top right
5. Log in using the details that you supplied Joomla! earlier
6. To see the main site simply copy the address from the address bar and delete everything leaving only the URL before "administrator/" For example if your two URLs will be:

**Main Site:**

<http://www.mysite.com>

**Administrator:**

<http://www.mysite.com/administrator/>

<http://www.shape5.com>