

Style Guide

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About the Brand

Craigslist benefits from being one of the most visited and recognized website in the world, despite unchanged design for over 15 years. In a world of flashy design, the simplicity of Craigslist remains one of its most recognizable and memorable features, sticking out through a lack of design! But even this old design holdout could benefit from a UX makeover, for the ease of use for the consumer, while still maintaining its minimalist core. Therefore I have created a redesign that stays true to the ethos of Craigslist while creating a sleeker experience for the user. The logo I created remains simple with geometric text and a visual element that uses negative space to incorporate into the text. The visual element is composed of representations of two of the most important element of the site: location based searchable classifieds. The location and search icon are combined into one with negative space, while also incorporating the "c" in the website name. The design incorporates the familiar colors of the old site: black, blue, and grey. This redesign will have enough ties to maintain it's recognizability among users, while creating a cleaner, easier to navigate user experience.

Logos











Small icons: Use the black and blue and blue icons on white backgrounds. Only use the white and all black icons on color backgrounds.

Logo Sizing











93px

510px

139px

When to use: Use the full horizontal logo at the top of the page and the 'C' logo in other instances.

Sizing: be aware of legibility when resizing. If too small, the logo is ineffective.
Generally, our logo should never appear less than 36px tall.

68.5px

Logo Do's and Don'ts



Don't change color of logo. It must be black or white.



Don't change Add bevel or dropshadow. It should be flat.

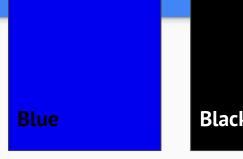


Don't use color logo over solid color or image. Use white or black instead.



Don't rotate logo. It must be vertical.

Color Palette



HEX#: #0000eeff



HEX#: #000000ff



HEX#: #c4c4c4ff



HEX#: #e5e5e5ff

White

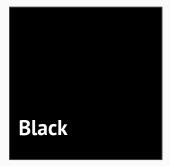
HEX#: #ffffffff

How to Use Colors

Blue

Main Color

To be used as an accent color. Used in buttons, links, and main points of interest.



Secondary Color

An alternate accent color.

Silver

Mercury

Background Colors

Colors that make the main color and secondary color pop.

Typography & Spacing

H1: Rockwell 36pt - 36pt Space; Bold

H2: Rockwell 24pt - 24pt Space; Normal

H3: Open Sans 18pt - 18pt Space; Bold

P: Open Sans 16pt - 16pt Space; Normal

Example:

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Buttons

ACTIVE

HOVER

INACTIVE

Buttons should remain the same size (36x130px). Active buttons use the main shade of blue, #. The hover button will darken to #2F00AF, and the inactive button will be the mercury accent color. Buttons should include a shadow or 8 when hovered and clicked, and flat in all other instances. The font in buttons should be Open Sans, bold, 16px.