

Change the icons used in the table of contents

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New knowledge bases created with our default theme use these icons in the table of contents:

- A plus + icon when a category can be expanded to view content or is empty
- A minus icon to collapse a category

Sample of our table of contents icons

You can change these icons:

1. Change to right/down chevrons like this:



2. Change to any icon of your choice, like a folder:



3. Change the "empty" category icon, which defaults to the closed category icon.

Refer to the detailed instructions below for each setup.

Change to chevrons

To change from the plus/minus icons to chevrons:

- Go to Customize > Style (HTML & CSS).
- 2. In the Customize HTML, CSS, and JS section, select Custom CSS.
- 3. Locate the CSS that mentions the TOC and chevrons, usually at or near row 293:

```
/* override default toc slideout behavior */
.hg-minimalist-theme #ko-article-cntr.slideout-panel.open {
    transform: translateX(360px);
    width: calc(100% - 360px);
}

/* Change TOC chevron-right to plus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-right:before {
    content: "\f0fe" !important;
}

/* Change TOC chevron-down to minus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-down:before {
    content: "\f146" !important;
}

/* make icons slightly larger */
.hg-minimalist-theme .cat-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .home-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .alt-icon {
    padding: 8px 0 0 6px;
    font-size: 18px;
}
```

4. Delete the CSS to "Change TOC chevron-right to plus-square" or "Change TOC chevron-down to minus-square", rows 293-300 in our example. Your CSS should now look like this:

```
/* override default toc slideout behavior */
.hg-minimalist-theme #ko-article-cntr.slideout-panel.open {
    transform: translateX(360px);
    width: calc(100% - 360px);
}

/* make icons slightly larger */
.hg-minimalist-theme .cat-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .home-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .alt-icon {
    padding: 8px 0 0 6px;
    font-size: 18px;
}
```

5. Be sure to Save your changes.

Change to other icons

We use Font Awesome icons in the table of contents, and we recommend you change to other Font Awesome icons. Before you begin, you'll need to get the unicode of the icon(s) you want to use. To do so:

- 1. Open Font Awesome.
- 2. Search for the icon you want.
- 3. Select the icon to open its details.
- 4. Font Awesome displays the unicode value near the upper right. If you select or click on that Unicode, it should automatically copy to your clipboard. For example, if we wanted to use the circle plus icon, we'd select fo55 to copy it.

Once you have the code value for the icon(s) you want to use:

- 1. Go to Customize > Style (HTML & CSS).
- 2. In the Customize HTML, CSS, and JS section, select Custom CSS.
- 3. Locate the CSS that mentions the TOC and chevrons, usually at or near row 293:

```
/* override default toc slideout behavior */
.hg-minimalist-theme #ko-article-cntr.slideout-panel.open {
 transform: translateX(360px);
 width: calc(100% - 360px);
/* Change TOC chevron-right to plus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-right:before {
content: "\f0fe" !important;
}
/* Change TOC chevron-down to minus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-down:before {
content: "\f146" !important;
}
/* make icons slightly larger */
.hg-minimalist-theme .cat-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .home-icon, .hg-minimalist-theme .alt-icon {
 padding: 8px 0 0 6px;
 font-size: 18px;
}
```

- 4. Replace the content value in row 295 with the unicode value of the icon you want to use instead of the plus square.
- 5. Replace the content value in row 299 with the unicode value of the icon you want to use instead of the minus square.
- 6. For example, this code will change the plus square to a closed folder and the minus square to an open folder:

```
/* Change TOC chevron-right to plus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-right:before {
  content: "\f07b" !important;
}

/* Change TOC chevron-down to minus-square */
.hg-minimalist-theme .documentation-categories .fa-chevron-down:before {
  content: "\f07c" !important;
}
```

7. Be sure to **Save** your changes once you're done.

Change the "empty" category icon

Using the setups above, an "empty" category will get the same treatment as a collapsed category (a plus-square or a right-chevron).

In this knowledge base, we set a different icon for "empty" categories: a solid box:

Sample different icon for empty category

If you'd like to use a different icon for empty categories:

- 1. Go to Customize > Style (HTML & CSS).
- 2. In the Customize HTML, CSS, and JS section, select Custom HTML.
- 3. Select **Body** from the **Select HTML section to edit** dropdown.
- 4. Copy the code below and paste it into the bottom of the editor. This code will check to see if the category is empty; if it is empty, it will remove the chevron-right/plus-square and add the plain square icon.

```
<script>
$(function() {
    // For Table of Contents items with no content, change remove chevron-right class and add plain square
    $('.nav-header-sub').each(function() {
        if($(this).find('ul').find('li').length < 1) {
          $(this).find('i:not(".fa-home,.fa-envelope-o,.fa-book")').removeClass("fa-chevron-right").addClass("fa-square");
        };
    });
    });
    </script>
```

- 5. To use a different icon, copy the Font Awesome icon's class, like <code>fa-folder-closed</code> and replace <code>fa-square</code> in row 6 with that class. Keep the class "in-quotes".
- 6. Be sure to Save your changes once you're done.