Hello, New Blogger.

If you're reading this, you may have read my No-Fail Beginner's Guide to Starting a Blog. If so, I'd like to welcome you to the wonderful world of blogging!

If you simply clicked through the blog post just to get to the good stuff -- i.e., the freebies -- that's okay. I can't blame you. I love freebies, too. And, the free themes on this list are pretty darn amazing and definitely worth checking out.

If you're looking for something pretty on a budget or simply want to try a theme before upgrading to premium, these feminine WordPress themes are a must-try for all women bloggers!

Remember, all of these themes (with the exception of Adele by Bluchic) are only available on self-hosted WordPress sites. As a reminder, self-hosted sites are those which you pay a monthly fee to host.

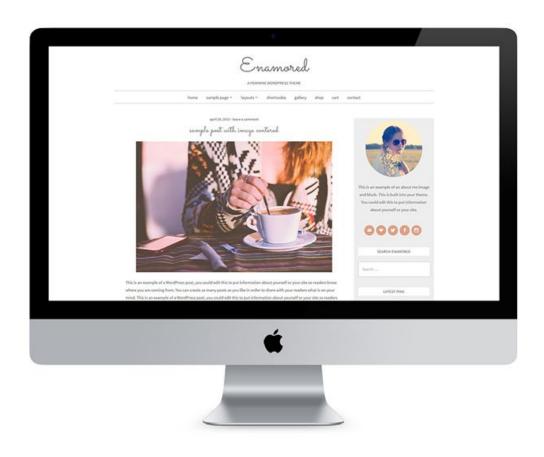
Although you may save a couple bucks each month going the free route, remember, you'll have a URL that will look something like: yourawesomeblog.wordpress.com -- if you're serious about monetizing your blog, it's best to go self-hosted.

So, if you haven't already, go read my No-Fail Beginner's Guide to Starting a Blog where I help you pick a domain name, naildown your niche, and walk you through, step by step, of setting up hosting and installing WordPress. It's easy. I promise.

Now, enough about the technical stuff, get ready to bask in a sea of simply beautiful (and free) WordPress themes perfect for women bloggers.

Enamored by Beautiful Dawn

Enamored by Beautiful Dawn is one of their best selling themes -- and it's easy to see why. With a clean layout and pretty touches, it's a versatile theme that many bloggers can tweak to suit their style. The premium version is so popular, they decided to offer a freebie version, and it's equally impressive as its paid counterpart.

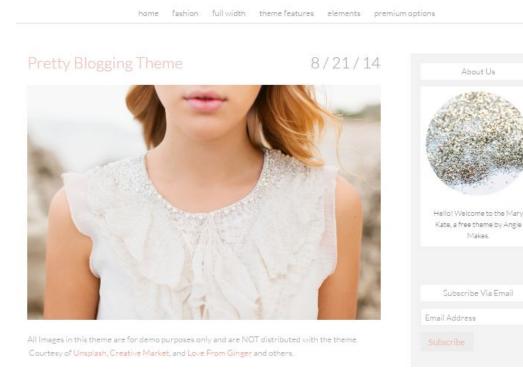


- Fully Responsive
- Full Post or Excerpt Post Content
- 2 Layout Options right sidebar; full width
- About and social media icon widgets

Mary Kate by Angie Makes

Oh-so pretty and light, this free theme by <u>Angie Makes</u> is as beautiful as it is versatile. With its fully-responsive design, multiple layouts, and classic font, Mary Kate is perfect for bloggers looking for a delicate theme that packs a lot of punch.

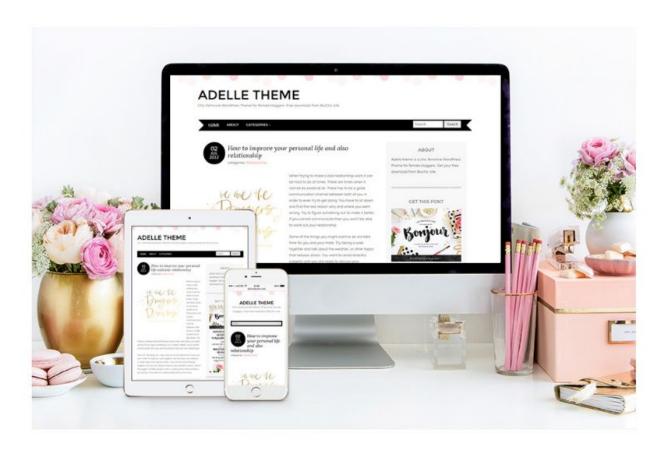




- Modern, feminine design
- Responsive design that looks great on mobile devices
- Integrates easily with popular WordPress plugins
- Multiple page layouts to choose from

Adele by Bluchic

This is the first of three (yes, three) amazingly beautiful yet free feminine WordPress themes by Bluchic. Adele, the first up, is the most popular -- and for good reason. The light polka dot header and ribbon-style navigation bar make it a great pick for mommy bloggers to fashion bloggers, and everyone in between!



- Responsive design that looks great across all devices
- Upload your own logo into the header
- Right sidebar widget area
- Compatible across multiple browsers

Estelle by Bluchic

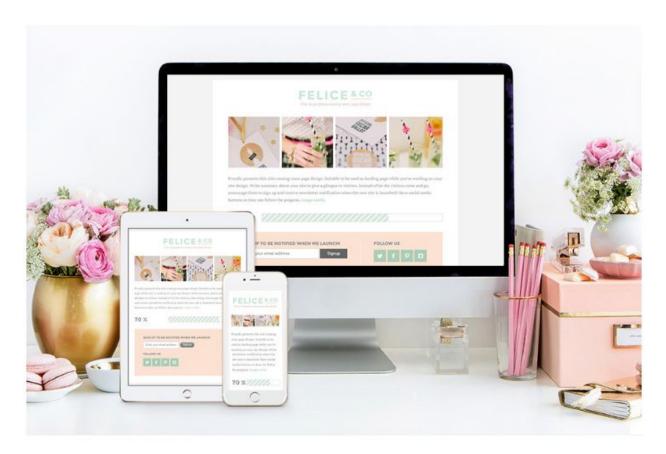
Next up on the Bluchic lineup is Estelle. This one is my personal favorite because of its minimalistic design and clean layout. If you want a theme that puts your content at center focus, you can't go wrong with Estelle. Plus, it's modern design gives a fresh feel that is perfect for bloggers across all niches.



- Fully-responsive design that looks great on all devices
- Upload your own logo into the header
- Widgetized footer and right sidebar
- Cross-browser compatibility

Felice by Bluchic

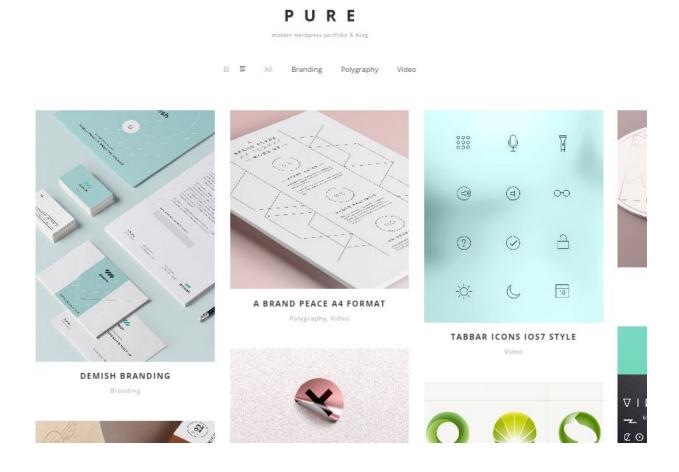
When you're just launching, Felice by Bluchic is the perfect theme to use to build user anticipation with its built-in teaser bar! While your audience anticipates your latest updates, you can easily connect with them via social media or get them to sign up to your mailing list, making Felice a versatile theme that gets your blog off on the right foot!



- Beautiful responsive design
- Select progress bar from 10% to 100%
- Upload your logo into the header
- Upload your own background design
- Widgetized footer

Pure by GT3 Themes

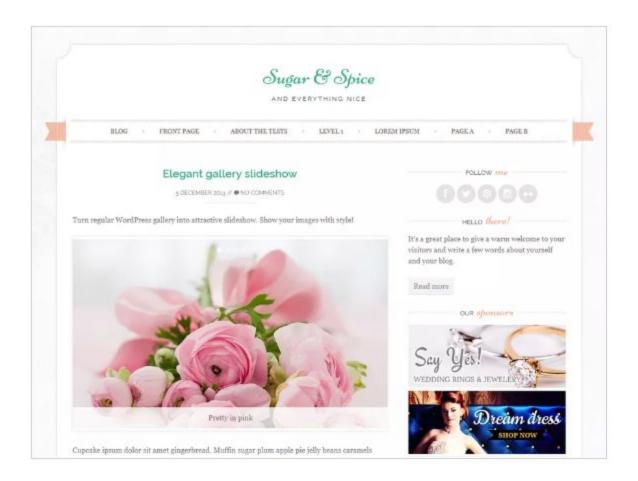
Not as in-your-face girly as the other themes on the list, Pure offers a modern grid-like setup perfect for bloggers or to use as a portfolio to showcase your work. With its reader-friendly typography and sleek design, Pure is all function with a touch of feminine.



- Fully responsive
- Retina ready
- Stylish topography
- Multiple layouts to choose from

Sugar & Spice by Alex27

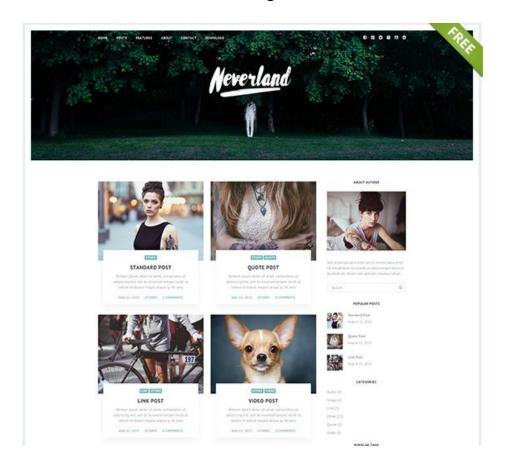
Designed with the wedding industry in mind, this free WordPress theme by Alex27 screams romance and femininity! From the font to pretty details and color choices, this theme is perfectly pretty and best suited for wedding blogs, event planners, florists, photographers or anyone in the wedding business!



- Upload your own logo and favicon
- · Customizable colors and background
- Responsive

Neverland by GT3

The second theme by GT3 to make it in this guide, Neverland uses a grid-style layout with striking typography for the female blogger who wants a theme with some bite. Jam-packed with features, it's hard to believe this one is free -- but it is, and oh-so amazing.



- Fully responsive
- Theme color management
- Custom logo and favicon upload
- Multiple blog layouts
- And so much more...

The Perfect Place to Start

When just starting out, I know it can be a little nerve-wracking to start throwing a ton of money into your blog -- especially when it's not earning anything (yet!).

Fortunately, with pretty WordPress themes, like the ones in this guide, you can "try on" multiple styles until you land on the right "fit" for your blog.

Once you know your blog's aesthetic, you can more easily choose a premium theme with confidence.

I made the mistake of buying a premium theme right out the gate, only to find (a week later) that it was all wrong for my niche.

Out \$75, I started researching free themes. I must've tried on more than a dozen (sort of like shopping for jeans) before I finally figured out what I liked in a theme and, more importantly, what I didn't like.

Save yourself time, effort, energy, and money and give a few free themes a try.

Let's Connect

I love connecting with other bloggers. Don't you think we should be friends? I'm known to hang out on Twitter under the handle <u>@AshleeWrites</u>. You can also find me on <u>Pinterest</u> and <u>Facebook</u>. Don't be shy -- drop me a line at <u>Ashlee@WorkFromHomeHappiness.com</u> or on Skype at AshleeWrites.

P.S. Please, feel free to share this guide with your mom, friend, sister, neighbor, husband's co-worker's brothers' best friend -- seriously, these themes are too good NOT to share :-)