Feast Plugin Features and Benefits

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The Feast Plugin takes care of the technical side of running a content site, so you can spend your time creating content instead of maintaining your website. Each feature on this page handles something you would otherwise have to set up, keep up to date or troubleshoot yourself, from image sizes and comment spam to breadcrumbs, accessibility and pagespeed. Less for you to manage means fewer things that can break.

Every one of these features started as a real problem we saw across thousands of Feast customer sites: an error in Google Search Console, a comments layout that broke, an image that slowed down every post, a setting that quietly held back SEO. Each time we fixed a problem, we built the fix into the Feast Plugin so it's solved for every site, including yours.

Below is every Feast Plugin feature and setting, and what each one does for you and your readers. Many features help in more than one way, so each one is labeled with everything it helps with.

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How to read this page

Helps with shows the benefit of each feature:

- **SEO**: helps search engines understand, crawl and rank your content
- **Pagespeed**: makes pages load faster or improves Core Web Vitals
- **Accessibility**: makes your content easier to use for readers with disabilities, including screen reader users
- **User experience**: makes your site easier and more pleasant for readers to use

- **Workflow**: saves you time or makes your site easier to manage
- **Ad revenue**: designed to improve ad performance (only relevant if you run ads)

How it's turned on shows where the feature comes from:

- **Automatic**: always on as soon as the Feast Plugin is active. There is nothing to enable.
- **Setting (Recommended)**: a checkbox in the Feast Plugin Settings that is switched on when you Enable Recommended Settings. You can switch it off at any time.
- **Setting**: a checkbox or field in the Feast Plugin Settings that you turn on yourself.
- **Customizer**: found in **Appearance > Customize**.
- **Block / shortcode**: added by you, wherever you want it, in the block editor.
- **One-click (Setup)**: a one-click button on the Feast Plugin Setup page.

The page is split into two parts, **Kadence features** and **Genesis features** (Genesis themes such as Foodie Pro). Features that work with both themes are listed in both parts.

Kadence features

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Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Advanced "Jump To" Links	Adds a list of links at the top of each post that jumps to each section and the recipe card, and gives every heading a link anchor. Readers find what they need faster, and Google can show these as jump links in search results.	SEO, User experience, Accessibility	Automatic (options in Settings)
Emoji scripts removed	Stops WordPress loading its emoji script and styles on every page and in the admin. Emojis still display using the reader's own device.	Pagespeed	Automatic

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Speculative loading off by default	Turns off the WordPress 6.8 feature that preloads pages a reader might visit next, which adds server load for pages that often aren't opened.	Pagespeed	Automatic
Homepage hidden from site search	Keeps a static homepage out of your site search results, so readers only see posts.	User experience	Automatic
WP Rocket compatibility	Keeps Feast and Kadence styles safe from WP Rocket's "Remove Unused CSS", and keeps Google Analytics, Tag Manager, Site Kit, Antispam Bee and Mediavine Create scripts working with WP Rocket's JavaScript delay and defer.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Automatic
Kadence font cache cleared with WP Rocket	Clears Kadence's locally stored font files whenever you clear the WP Rocket cache, so font changes show up straight away.	Workflow	Automatic
Feast palettes in "Select Palette"	Shows Feast color palettes in Customize > Colors & Fonts > Colors > Select Palette, instead of the Kadence defaults.	Workflow	Automatic
No-pin on archive thumbnails	Stops readers pinning the small grid thumbnails on category and search pages, so Pinterest saves use your full-size post images.	User experience, SEO	Automatic
Comment layout fix	Prevents a broken comments layout when "comments per page" is set to 0 in WordPress.	User experience	Automatic
Post Order field	Adds an Order field to posts in the editor and a sortable Post Order column to All Posts, so you can hand-pick the order posts appear in Feast blocks.	Workflow	Automatic
File size column in the Media Library	Shows each image's file size in the Media Library (list view) and warns you about oversized uploads.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Automatic

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Post ID and settings shortcuts in the admin bar	Shows the post ID when viewing a post, and adds quick links to the Feast Plugin settings and plugins page.	Workflow	Automatic
Category images	Adds an image field to each category, used by the Simple Category Index (FSCI) block.	Workflow	Automatic
Per-post custom CSS	Adds a Custom CSS box to the post editor, for styling a single post or page without affecting the rest of the site.	Workflow	Automatic
Menu moved over from Genesis	When you switch from a Genesis theme to Kadence, your primary menu is assigned to the Kadence primary menu location for you.	Workflow	Automatic
ShortPixel setup	Applies Feast's recommended ShortPixel settings, and stops staging sites using up your image credits.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Automatic
Polylang support	Makes Feast's custom post types and taxonomies translatable with Polylang.	User experience, Workflow	Automatic

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Remove the "website" field	Removes the website field from the comment form. Spammers mostly use it to leave links, so removing it cuts down comment spam and keeps spam links off your posts.	SEO, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Remove the comment date link	Shows the comment date as plain text. Fewer links and page elements to load, and no unnecessary internal links.	Pagespeed, SEO	Setting (Recommended)

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Remove the comment author link	Removes the link from the commenter's name. These links are often broken or irrelevant to your recipe, and are a magnet for spam.	SEO, Pagespeed, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Open comment links in a new tab	Links in comments open in a new browser tab (with nofollow), so readers don't leave your site.	User experience, SEO	Setting (Recommended)
Remove commenter avatars	Removes Gravatar images from comments, cutting out third-party image requests.	Pagespeed, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Edit "Leave a Reply"	Replaces the "Leave a Reply" heading with your own text, for example asking readers to rate the recipe.	User experience	Setting
Move the comment form above comments	Puts the comment form before existing comments, so readers don't have to scroll past them to leave a review.	User experience	Setting
Subscribe to comments	Lets readers get an email when someone replies to their comment, which brings them back to your site.	User experience	Setting

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Yoast breadcrumbs	Adds Yoast SEO breadcrumbs to posts and pages, with options to hide the home link, hide breadcrumbs on top-level pages like About, and add your Recipe Index. Breadcrumbs help Google understand your site structure and help readers browse categories.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)

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Rank Math breadcrumbs	Adds Rank Math breadcrumbs, with an option to hide the current page title.	SEO, User experience	Setting
Modern Previous + Next	Adds links to other posts in the same primary category below each post, with an optional custom heading. Builds relevant internal links and keeps readers clicking.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Redirect "cat=-1" URLs	Redirects outdated pagination URLs to the homepage, fixing breadcrumb errors in Google Search Console.	SEO	Setting (Recommended)
Modern 404	Replaces your 404 page with a friendlier one that suggests posts, so readers who hit a broken link keep browsing.	User experience, SEO	Setting
Modern Search	Replaces your search results page with the Modern Search layout.	User experience	Setting
Remove web stories from site search	Keeps web stories out of your site search, so readers only see posts.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)

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Remove WordPress "smart quotes"	Stops WordPress turning straight quotes into curly ones, which can break things when readers or you copy and paste.	User experience, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Replace AI-generated-content characters	Removes the hidden characters some AI writing tools add to text to mark it as AI-generated.	SEO, Workflow	Setting
Shortcodes in Custom HTML widgets	Lets shortcodes (such as the Simple Recipe Index) work inside Custom HTML widgets.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Feast recipe buttons	Replaces the WP Recipe Maker or Tasty Recipes "Jump to Recipe" buttons with Feast buttons that match your site, with options for Jump to Video, Print Recipe and Pin This.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Widen recipe card on mobile	Removes the side margins around the recipe card on phones, giving the recipe more room.	User experience, Ad revenue	Setting
Yoast FAQ toggles	Turns Yoast FAQ blocks into expandable questions, so long FAQ sections take up less space.	User experience	Setting
CSS smooth scroll	Scrolls smoothly when readers click a jump link, without any JavaScript.	User experience, Pagespeed	Setting
Holidays	Lets you group posts by holiday without creating extra categories that need their own keyword research.	SEO, Workflow	Setting

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Scheduled Categories	Shows seasonal categories (like Thanksgiving or summer recipes) only during the dates you choose, automatically.	SEO, User experience, Workflow	Setting

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Custom "Jump to" text	Changes the heading text of the jump-to list.	User experience	Setting
Maximum height	Limits the height of long jump-to lists (300px recommended), so they don't push your content too far down.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Open or closed by default	Choose whether the list starts open or closed. We recommend open.	User experience	Setting
Recipe card link text	Replaces the recipe card link (which normally repeats the post title) with your own text, such as "Recipe", for a more natural link.	SEO, User experience	Setting
Link to comments	Adds a link to the comments section when the post has at least one comment.	User experience	Setting
Disable the Advanced "Jump To"	Turns the jump-to list off across the whole site. Not recommended.		Setting
Hide noindex posts in FSRI	Leaves posts you've set to noindex in Yoast out of Simple Recipe Index blocks.	SEO	Setting

Categories

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Modern Categories	Replaces your category pages with Modern Categories: a full landing page for each category, with your own introduction and content above or beside the post grid. Gives each category page more useful content to rank with.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
3-wide category grid	Shows category posts 3 across on desktop instead of 4, for larger images.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
40 (or 42) posts per page	Shows more posts on each category page, so readers see more recipes and search engines find more internal links without going through extra pages.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Subcategory listing	Lists a category's subcategories at the top of its page.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Order categories by modified date	Shows your most recently updated posts first, so freshly improved recipes get seen.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
FSRI styles on Kadence archives	Makes Kadence category and archive pages match the style of your Simple Recipe Index blocks.	User experience	Setting

Images

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Skip lazy loading the first image	Loads the first image in each post straight away instead of lazy loading it, improving Largest Contentful Paint.	Pagespeed	Setting (Recommended)

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
fetchPriority optimization	Tells browsers which images to load first, improving Largest Contentful Paint.	Pagespeed	Setting
Default image size "full"	New images you add to posts use the full size, so they always look sharp.	User experience, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Default image alignment center	New images you add to posts are centered.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Default image link "none"	New images you add to posts don't link to the image file.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Remove image self-links	Removes links from images that just link to the image file. These add nothing for readers or search engines.	SEO, User experience	Setting
Modern Thumbnails	Adds right-sized 2x3 portrait, square and in-post image sizes (plus optional 3x4 and landscape), so pages load images no bigger than they need.	Pagespeed, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Force thumbnail ratios	Keeps all thumbnails in Simple Recipe Index blocks at the same ratio, for a tidy grid.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Set WordPress image sizes	Sets the WordPress thumbnail, medium, medium large and large sizes to match the Modern Thumbnails, so fewer image files are created for each upload.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Setting

Fonts

Fonts are set in **Appearance > Customize**. See Feast Fonts.

Admin and editor

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Show group blocks in the editor	Adds a light grey outline to Group blocks in the block editor, so you can see where they start and end.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Post IDs on All Posts	Shows each post's ID on the All Posts screen.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Featured images on All Posts	Shows each post's featured image on the All Posts screen, so you can spot missing or wrongly sized images (1200x1200 recommended).	Workflow, SEO	Setting (Recommended)
Alt text in the Media Library	Shows each image's alt text in the Media Library (list view), so you can find images that are missing it.	Accessibility, SEO, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Turn off fullscreen editor by default	Opens the block editor with the WordPress admin menu visible, instead of fullscreen.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Patterns in the admin menu	Adds Patterns (formerly Reusable Blocks) to the admin menu, so you can edit them like posts.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Remove outdated dashboard widgets	Removes cluttered widgets like "WordPress Events and News" from the dashboard.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Disable tags	Removes tags from the admin and post editor. Tags usually create thin pages that don't help readers or SEO. Delete existing tags first.	Workflow, SEO	Setting (Recommended)

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Disable bundled WordPress themes	Stops WordPress adding its default themes every time WordPress updates.	Workflow	Setting
Block options	Turns on extra styling options for blocks in the block editor.	Workflow	Setting

Layouts, hooks and site info

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Feast Layouts	Build your sidebar, footer and other site areas in the block editor, using the Modern Sidebar and Modern Footer.	Workflow, User experience	Setting
Feast Hooks	Place your own blocks or layouts in set locations around your site, such as beside the post header, without editing theme files.	Workflow	Setting
Site Info	Add your headshot, accreditations, cuisine and social profile links once. Feast blocks such as Social Icons use them across your site, and they show readers and search engines who's behind your recipes.	SEO, Workflow	Setting

Blocks and shortcodes

Add these in the block editor by clicking **[+]** and searching for "feast". Shortcodes work anywhere shortcodes are allowed.

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Simple Recipe Index (FSRI)	Displays a grid of posts from any category, tag or selection, anywhere on your site. Builds internal links and helps readers find more recipes.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode

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Simple Category Index (FSCI)	Displays a grid of your categories with their images, for recipe index pages and homepages.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode
Scheduled Categories block	Shows seasonal categories only during the dates you choose.	SEO, User experience, Workflow	Block / shortcode
Advanced "Jump To" block	Places the jump-to list exactly where you want it in a post.	User experience, SEO	Block / shortcode
Social Icons	Displays your social profile icons from Site Info.	User experience, Workflow	Block / shortcode
AI Buttons	Adds buttons that let readers open your post in AI assistants such as ChatGPT.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Google Trusted Source	Lets readers set your site as a preferred source in Google with one click, so your posts show higher in their own search results for searches you already rank for.	SEO	Block / shortcode
Featured Comment	Shows a real reader review near the top of a recipe, picked automatically or chosen by you.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Reading time and word count	About 26 minutes to read this article. and 5076 words. show readers how long a post is.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Published and updated date	Published: November 19, 2026 shows when a post was published or last updated.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode
Feast Patterns	Ready-made block layouts such as tip boxes, step instructions and "As Seen In" sections.	Workflow, User experience	Block editor patterns

Customizer

Found in **Appearance > Customize**.

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Branding	Call to action color, editor color palette, accent font, FSRI and FSCI styles, feature box styles, Advanced "Jump To" styles, custom list styling, background pattern, post header and header search button.	User experience, Workflow	Customizer
Kadence spacing	Feast's recommended spacing values for Kadence.	User experience	Customizer

One-click tools

Found in the Feast Plugin admin pages, mostly on the Setup page. Each one makes the changes for you in one click.

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Enable Recommended Settings	Switches on every setting marked "Setting (Recommended)" on this page.	Workflow	One-click (Setup)
WP Rocket settings	Applies Feast's recommended WP Rocket settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
Perfmatters settings	Applies Feast's recommended Perfmatters settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
ShortPixel settings	Applies Feast's recommended ShortPixel image optimization settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
Close and delete pingbacks	Turns off pingbacks and trackbacks, and deletes existing ones.	Workflow, SEO	One-click (Setup)
Create Modern Categories	Creates a Modern Category page for every category at once.	SEO, Workflow	One-click (Setup)

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Pre-built pages	Creates a Modern Homepage, Recipe Index, footer, sidebar and post template for you.	Workflow, SEO, User experience	One-click (Setup)
Kadence setup	Configures Kadence with Feast's recommended settings and color palette.	Workflow	One-click (Setup)

Genesis features

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Shortcodes and video in category descriptions	Lets you use shortcodes and embed video in category descriptions.	User experience, Workflow	Automatic
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Modern Previous + Next	Adds links to other posts in the same primary category below each post, with an optional custom heading. Builds relevant internal links and keeps readers clicking.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Classic Previous / Next	Adds simple previous and next post links below each post. We recommend the Modern Previous + Next instead.	User experience	Setting
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Modern Menu	A menu built with CSS only (no JavaScript), with mobile and desktop layouts, a logo, and an optional subscribe button or Grow.Me subscribe link. See also Modern Menu for Desktop and Subscribe button.	Pagespeed, User experience	Setting (Recommended)

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Remove entry meta	Removes the outdated "Filed Under" and "Tagged With" links below posts. Your category already appears in the breadcrumbs.	User experience, SEO	Setting (Recommended)

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Edit Post Info	Customizes the line under your post title, for example to show the updated date, author link and affiliate disclosure.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended) (default text)
Hide Post Info for Author Bio hook *(Foodie Pro 5 only)*	Hides the post info when you show it in the author bio instead.	User experience	Setting
Feast recipe buttons	Replaces the WP Recipe Maker or Tasty Recipes "Jump to Recipe" buttons with Feast buttons that match your site, with options for Jump to Video, Print Recipe and Pin This.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
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Optimize content width to 728px	Widens the content area on desktop to fit 728px ads, which can increase ad RPMs. Only for sites running ads.	Ad revenue	Setting (Recommended)
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Default image size "full"	New images you add to posts use the full size, so they always look sharp.	User experience, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Default image alignment center	New images you add to posts are centered.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Default image link "none"	New images you add to posts don't link to the image file.	SEO, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
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Force thumbnail ratios	Keeps all thumbnails in Simple Recipe Index blocks at the same ratio, for a tidy grid.	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Remove theme thumbnails	Stops old Feast Genesis themes creating extra image sizes you no longer use, saving server space.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Set WordPress image sizes	Sets the WordPress thumbnail, medium, medium large and large sizes to match the Modern Thumbnails, so fewer image files are created for each upload.	Pagespeed, Workflow	Setting

Fonts

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on

System font stack	Uses the fonts already on the reader's device instead of downloading web fonts. Faster pages and better Core Web Vitals.	Pagespeed, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Web-safe body and heading fonts	Choose a web-safe font and heading boldness without loading font files.	Pagespeed, User experience	Setting
Body font size	Sets the body text size (18 recommended), making recipes easier to read.	Accessibility, User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Title (H1) font size	Sets the post title size (30 recommended).	User experience	Setting (Recommended)
Default link color *(Foodie Pro only)*	Sets the link color. Check it meets color contrast requirements.	Accessibility, User experience	Setting

Admin and editor

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Show group blocks in the editor	Adds a light grey outline to Group blocks in the block editor, so you can see where they start and end.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Post IDs on All Posts	Shows each post's ID on the All Posts screen.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Featured images on All Posts	Shows each post's featured image on the All Posts screen, so you can spot missing or wrongly sized images (1200x1200 recommended).	Workflow, SEO	Setting (Recommended)
Alt text in the Media Library	Shows each image's alt text in the Media Library (list view), so you can find images that are missing it.	Accessibility, SEO, Workflow	Setting (Recommended)

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Turn off fullscreen editor by default	Opens the block editor with the WordPress admin menu visible, instead of fullscreen.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Patterns in the admin menu	Adds Patterns (formerly Reusable Blocks) to the admin menu, so you can edit them like posts.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Remove outdated dashboard widgets	Removes cluttered widgets like "WordPress Events and News" from the dashboard.	Workflow	Setting (Recommended)
Disable tags	Removes tags from the admin and post editor. Tags usually create thin pages that don't help readers or SEO. Delete existing tags first.	Workflow, SEO	Setting (Recommended)
Disable bundled WordPress themes	Stops WordPress adding its default themes every time WordPress updates.	Workflow	Setting
Block options	Turns on extra styling options for blocks in the block editor.	Workflow	Setting

Layouts, hooks and site info

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Feast Layouts	Build your sidebar, footer and other site areas in the block editor, using the Modern Sidebar and Modern Footer.	Workflow, User experience	Setting

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Feast Hooks	Place your own blocks or layouts in set locations around your site, such as beside the post header, without editing theme files.	Workflow	Setting
Feast Customizer settings	Adds the Feast panels to Appearance > Customize (see the Customizer section below).	Workflow	Setting
Site Info	Add your headshot, accreditations, cuisine and social profile links once. Feast blocks such as Social Icons use them across your site, and they show readers and search engines who's behind your recipes.	SEO, Workflow	Setting

Blocks and shortcodes

Add these in the block editor by clicking **[+]** and searching for "feast". Shortcodes work anywhere shortcodes are allowed.

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Simple Recipe Index (FSRI)	Displays a grid of posts from any category, tag or selection, anywhere on your site. Builds internal links and helps readers find more recipes.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode
Simple Category Index (FSCI)	Displays a grid of your categories with their images, for recipe index pages and homepages.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode
Scheduled Categories block	Shows seasonal categories only during the dates you choose.	SEO, User experience, Workflow	Block / shortcode

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Advanced "Jump To" block	Places the jump-to list exactly where you want it in a post.	User experience, SEO	Block / shortcode
Social Icons	Displays your social profile icons from Site Info.	User experience, Workflow	Block / shortcode
AI Buttons	Adds buttons that let readers open your post in AI assistants such as ChatGPT.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Google Trusted Source	Lets readers set your site as a preferred source in Google with one click, so your posts show higher in their own search results for searches you already rank for.	SEO	Block / shortcode
Featured Comment	Shows a real reader review near the top of a recipe, picked automatically or chosen by you.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Reading time and word count	About 26 minutes to read this article. and 5076 words. show readers how long a post is.	User experience	Block / shortcode
Published and updated date	Published: November 19, 2026 shows when a post was published or last updated.	SEO, User experience	Block / shortcode
Feast Patterns	Ready-made block layouts such as tip boxes, step instructions and "As Seen In" sections.	Workflow, User experience	Block editor patterns

Customizer

Found in **Appearance > Customize**.

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Menu	Menu background, text color, font, height and sticky menu.	User experience	Customizer

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Colors	Button, full-width background and footer colors.	User experience, Accessibility	Customizer
Typography	Title, heading, breadcrumb, post info and body text sizes, weights and spacing. Keep post info at least as large as your body text to meet FTC disclosure guidelines.	User experience, Accessibility	Customizer
Links	Link color, hover color and underline style. Underlined links are easier to spot for readers with low vision.	Accessibility, User experience	Customizer
FSRI, FSCI and Post Categories styles	Title fonts, colors, spacing and grid gaps for Feast blocks.	User experience	Customizer

One-click tools

Found in the Feast Plugin admin pages, mostly on the Setup page. Each one makes the changes for you in one click.

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Enable Recommended Settings	Switches on every setting marked "Setting (Recommended)" on this page.	Workflow	One-click (Setup)
WP Rocket settings	Applies Feast's recommended WP Rocket settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
Perfmatters settings	Applies Feast's recommended Perfmatters settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
ShortPixel settings	Applies Feast's recommended ShortPixel image optimization settings.	Pagespeed, Workflow	One-click (Setup)

Feature	What it does for you	Helps with	How it's turned on
Close and delete pingbacks	Turns off pingbacks and trackbacks, and deletes existing ones.	Workflow, SEO	One-click (Setup)
Create Modern Categories	Creates a Modern Category page for every category at once.	SEO, Workflow	One-click (Setup)
Pre-built pages	Creates a Modern Homepage, Recipe Index, footer, sidebar and post template for you.	Workflow, SEO, User experience	One-click (Setup)
Genesis setup	Configures your Genesis theme with Feast's recommended settings.	Workflow	One-click (Setup)