Jekyll

STATIC WEBSITE GENERATOR

About

- Static website generator
- Built with blogging in mind (e.g. alternative to WordPress)
- Generates deployment ready HTML & CSS
- Created in Ruby
- Engine that drives GitHub Pages (allows you to host a website via a repository on your GitHub account)

How – Directory Structure

- Builds content from folders
 - _layout for layouts (default, post, page)
 - _posts (2011-12-31-new-years-eve-is-awesome.md)
 - _includes for partials (<head>, <footer>, repeated code)
 - _data for data files (yml, json, csv) accessed via site.data

_data	4.1 kB folder
_drafts	4.1 kB folder
_includes	4.1 kB folder
_layouts	4.1 kB folder
_posts	4.1 kB folder
_site	4.1 kB folder
about.md	524 bytes Markdown document
_config.yml	1.4 kB YAML document
Gemfile	811 bytes plain text document
Gemfile.lock	1.1 kB plain text document
index.md	213 bytes Markdown document

How - Layouts

Layouts using HTML and CSS as normal

How - Content

- Markdown to write content
 - ## Header 2
 - **bold**
 - [Hyperlink] (http://my-awesome-link.gg)

- Liquid for more dynamic stuff (fors, ifs, variables, etc.)
- Output text: {{ output_var }}
- Code: {% if <condition> %}
 - {% for item in array %}
 - {{ item }}
 - ▶ {% endfor %}
 - Hello {{ 'Lunch && Code' | upcase }}

How – YAML Front Matter

- Processes things in the 3 dashes
- Create and set variables
 - ---
 - layout: post
 - ▶ title: Blogging Like a Hacker
 - ► Tags: hacking code
 - ---
- Use it
 - <title>{{ page.title }}</title> (could be used in current page or layout)

Cool built-in features

- Permalinks
- Pagination on posts
- Drafts (store in _drafts and use --drafts switch when launching to view)
- Plugin system
 - Make your own
 - Use from existing library (sitemap generator, art gallery, rss feed generator, etc. big list on official webste)

Get it going

- Install Ruby
- gem install jekyll
- jekyll new MyAwesomeSite
- jekyll serve
- localhost:port
- Edit away
- Docs at https://jekyllrb.com/

End

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