**Tails - Bug #11789**

**Have GNOME with a black theme on Tails Stretch**

09/11/2016 03:20 AM - sajolida

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**Description**

In Tails 2.0 we have a grey theme from GNOME Classic. The default GNOME theme is black and I think it looks more modern (which I could argue is important for a state-of-the-art security tool). Changing the look could also mark the occasion and visibilize that we're doing shitloads of work.

For 2.0 I raised my concern too late ([#7557#note-8](https://tails.boum.org/contribute/reports/SponsorS/2015/2016_08/#index4h2)) but I'm now reading in [https://tails.boum.org/contribute/reports/SponsorS/2015/2016_08/#index4h2](https://tails.boum.org/contribute/reports/SponsorS/2015/2016_08/#index4h2) that screenshots are being removed from the test suite, so maybe switching too black for 3.0 would not require much work. It could even be now the time to discuss this...

But hey, developers, take it easy :) (I will)

So, how hard would it be to switch to the default black theme for 3.0?

This would be replacing GNOME Classic with GNOME Shell with its default theme + Applications menu + Places status indicator + Window list.

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**Related issues:**

| Blocks Tails - Bug #11742: Update doc screenshots for 3.0 | Resolved | 08/29/2016 |

**Associated revisions**

**Revision 300b9025 - 11/16/2016 10:28 PM - sajolida**

Switch to black theme (Will-fix: #11789)

This is done by:

- Disabling GNOME Classic
- Enabling the Places menu

**Revision 77ab95b4 - 11/17/2016 02:23 PM - intrigeri**

Don't pretend we ship GNOME Classic (refs: #11789).

**Revision d17e360a - 11/17/2016 02:59 PM - intrigeri**

Test suite: update two images for the black theme (refs: #11789).

**Revision d4cee685 - 11/17/2016 03:04 PM - intrigeri**

Merge branch 'feature/11789-black-theme' into feature/stretch

Closes: #11789

05/15/2020
Is the proposal about entirely switching from GNOME’s Classic mode, to GNOME’s default mode?

Or is it instead about creating a new, hybrid mode, that would be essentially the Classic mode modified to use the black color scheme that’s used when running GNOME in default (non-Classic) mode?

I guess that you mean the latter, but I’m not 100% sure I got the proposal right.

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Thanks! So next step is to test if this combination works at all (I don’t know if the Classic mode’s extensions blend nicely into the regular GNOME Shell mode). This might be easier to do on some non-Tails Debian testing/sid system.

I did that on a Debian Jessie and here is the result.
I still don't have a sid system (the VM I tried to setup crashes with "Oh no!").
I'll try to ask some sid-friend to do this for me.

#7 - 09/26/2016 08:32 AM - sajolida
- Description updated

#8 - 11/07/2016 02:56 PM - sajolida
- File extension.png added

A screenshot of how this looks in Debian Jessie.

#9 - 11/16/2016 10:46 AM - sajolida
- Blocks Bug #11742: Update doc screenshots for 3.0 added

#10 - 11/16/2016 02:54 PM - anonym
If this is gonna happen, I'd like it to happen ASAP (preferably yesterday) since I will start updating the test suite images we cannot get rid of soon, and will have to redo most of them if the theme is changed.

As for a dark theme, I'm a fan! +1

#11 - 11/16/2016 10:29 PM - sajolida
- Status changed from Confirmed to In Progress
- QA Check set to Ready for QA
- Feature Branch set to feature/11798-black-theme
- Type of work changed from Test to Code

#12 - 11/17/2016 12:57 PM - sajolida
- Assignee changed from sajolida to intrigeri
- Feature Branch changed from feature/11798-black-theme to feature/11789-black-theme

#13 - 11/17/2016 03:10 PM - intrigeri
- Status changed from In Progress to Resolved
- % Done changed from 0 to 100

Applied in changeset d4cee685901291a33e1473d11b7dcef7b5b0697b.

#14 - 11/17/2016 03:10 PM - intrigeri
- Subject changed from Consider having a black theme on Tails Stretch to Have GNOME with a black theme on Tails Stretch
- QA Check changed from Ready for QA to Pass

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