



User Guide

Category Dynamic Dependent Dropdown

Three stacked dropdown menus. The top one is labeled 'YEAR', the middle one 'MAKE', and the bottom one 'MODEL'. Each menu has a dark grey background and a white downward-pointing triangle on the right side.

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Introduction

Now you can add an AJAX navigation dropdowns to your website that displays categories as drop-down fields. and upon selecting category from one dropdown it will show subcategories of selected categories up to N levels. on the selection of the last category, it will redirect to that last selected categories URL.

For a customer, it's difficult to find a product when your website catalog has more than several thousand items. If you are selling replacement parts then it will be more difficult for a consumer to find the right product with normal search as most of the products look the same. This extension helps to find a matching part by letting customer to select make, year, model categories. You can use category dynamic dependent dropdown to optimize landing pages and give your conversion rate a boost.

For example, if the product is a car "comp wheel" the visitor can select car year make model in the selector boxes. Then he/she will be redirected to the results page where all matching products will be listed. The customer can use the layered navigation to refine the results.

Installation

- Backup your web directory and store database
- Download extension installation package
- Upload contents of the extension installation package to your "app/code/MageArray/CategoryFilter", Then run commands "php bin/magento setup:upgrade" using SSH from your magento root directory

Usage

Admin

Add Categories

To Add Categories follow the below path in admin:

Products >> Categories

Default Category

Store View: All Store Views

Admin can add categories from here for category finder

Save

Add Root Category

Add Subcategory

Enable Category Yes

Include in Menu Yes

Category Name * Default Category

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Add Widget

Dropdown filter can be added on the page using following two ways :

- 1) Add in CMS page or CMS Block.
- 2) Add as Widget

1) Add in CMS page or CMS Block (Admin -> Content -> Pages/Blocks -> Add New/Edit)

The screenshot shows the MageArray CMS page editor interface for editing the 'Home Page'. The interface includes a sidebar with navigation icons for Dashboard, Sales, Catalog, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, and Find Partners & Extensions. The main content area is titled 'Home Page' and contains the following fields:

- Enable Page:** A toggle switch set to 'Yes'.
- Page Title:** A text input field containing 'Home Page'.
- Content:** A large text area containing the widget code: `{{widget type="MageArray\CategoryFilter\Block\Navigation" title="Find products here" levels="2" labels_embedded="outside" template="sidebar.phtml" root_category="category/2"}}`
- Content Heading:** A text input field containing 'Home Page'.

At the top right of the editor, there are buttons for 'Back', 'Delete Page', and 'Save'. A dark speech bubble with the text 'Click this button' points to the 'Save' button. Below the widget code, there is a button labeled 'Edit with Page Builder'.



The screenshot shows the 'Insert Widget...' dialog box with the following configuration:

- Widget Type:** Category Dropdowns (One select box for each category level)
- Title:** Find products here
- Levels:** 2
- Dropdown Labels:** (Empty field, with a note: 'Initial values for dropdowns. Comma separated values for each field.')
- Show Labels:** Outside DropDowns
- Template:** Vertical Template
- Root Category:** Not Selected

An orange 'Insert Widget' button is located at the bottom right of the dialog.

Widget Options

- **Widget Type** - You can select a category dropdown widget from the list.
- **Title** - You can add a title for the category dropdown.
- **Levels** - You can add levels for categories. Here you can add N-level categories as per your requirement.
- **Dropdown Labels** - dropdown labels are user-defined. You can add category dropdown in comma separate manner. E.g. Year, Make, Model OR Make, Year, Model
- **Show Labels** - You can select where to show labels Inside the dropdown or Outside the dropdown.
- **Template** - You can select how to display category dropdown Horizontal Or Vertical.
- **Root Category** - You can select a first-level category from here.

2) Add as Widget (Admin -> Content -> Widgets -> Add Widget)

The screenshot shows the 'Widgets' configuration page in the Magento Admin interface. The page title is 'Widgets'. On the left, there is a sidebar menu with icons for Dashboard, Sales, Catalog, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, and Partners/Extensions. The main content area is titled 'Storefront Properties' and includes the following fields:

- Type:** Category Dropdowns
- Design Package/Theme:** Magento Luma
- Widget Title:** (Empty text input field)
- Assign to Store Views:** A list of store views including 'All Store Views', 'Main Website', and 'Main Website Store (Default Store View)'. A help icon (?) is visible next to the list.
- Sort Order:** (Empty text input field)

Below the main configuration, there is a 'Layout Updates' section with the following options:

- Display on:** All Pages
- Container:** -- Please Select --
- Template:** Vertical Template

An 'Add Layout Update' button is located at the bottom of the layout updates section. A dark speech bubble with the text 'Admin can add widget from here' is overlaid on the right side of the page, pointing towards the 'Assign to Store Views' list.

The screenshot shows the Magento Admin interface for configuring a widget. On the left is a sidebar with navigation icons for Dashboard, Sales, Catalog, Customers, Marketing, Content, Reports, Stores, System, Find Partners & Extensions, and MageArray Extensions. The main content area is titled 'Widgets' and contains a list of widget types: 'Storefront Properties' and 'Widget Options'. The 'Widget Options' widget is selected and its configuration is shown on the right. A dark speech bubble with the text 'Widget Options' is overlaid on the configuration form.

Widget Options Configuration:

- Title:** Find products here
- Levels:** 2
- Dropdown Labels:** (Empty field with note: Initial values for dropdowns. Comma separated vlues for each field.)
- Show Labels:** Outside DropDowns
- Root Category:** Default Category
- Action:** Select Category...

Storefront Properties

- **Type** - Select category dropdown widget from list.
- **Design Package/Theme** - Select your theme
- **Widget Title** - Add your widget title
- **Layout Update:** Click Add Layout Update button
 - **Display On** - Select where you want to display category filter
 - **Container** - Select position to display category filter
 - **Template** - Select how to display category dropdown Horizontal Or Vertical.

Widget Options

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Front-End

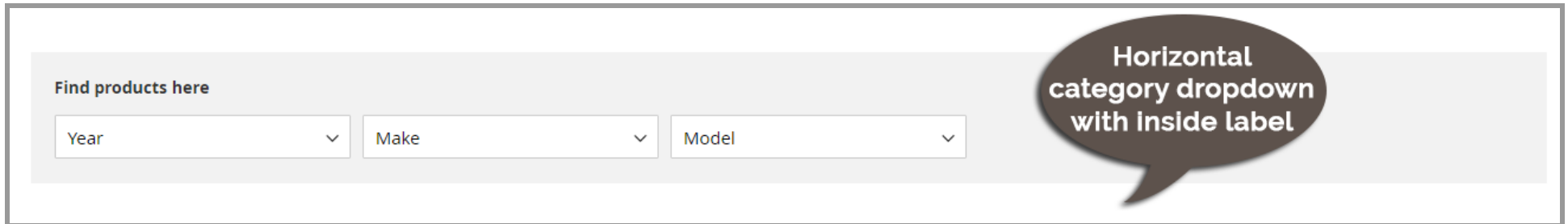
Widget on frontend

Widget could be added on any pages on frontend. You can also add category dropdown on category pages.

The screenshot displays a Magento storefront for 'LUMA' with a navigation menu (What's New, Women, Men, Gear, Training, Sale) and a search bar. Four different widget configurations for category dropdowns are shown, each with a callout bubble:

- Vertical category dropdown with outside label:** A vertical stack of three dropdowns labeled 'Year', 'Make', and 'Model', each with 'Please Select' as the placeholder. The label is positioned to the left of the dropdowns.
- Horizontal category dropdown with inside label:** Three dropdowns labeled 'Year', 'Make', and 'Model' are arranged horizontally. The labels are placed inside the dropdown boxes.
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Horizontal category dropdown with inside label



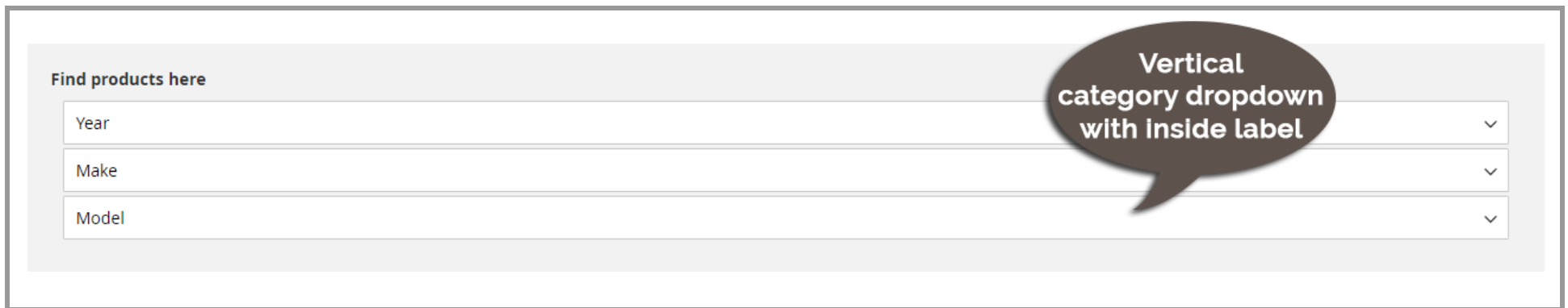
Find products here

Year Make Model

Horizontal category dropdown with inside label

The image shows a horizontal search bar with the text "Find products here" on the left. To the right of this text are three dropdown menus labeled "Year", "Make", and "Model". Each dropdown menu has a small downward-pointing arrow on its right side. A dark speech bubble with white text is positioned to the right of the dropdowns, containing the text "Horizontal category dropdown with inside label".

Vertical category dropdown with inside label



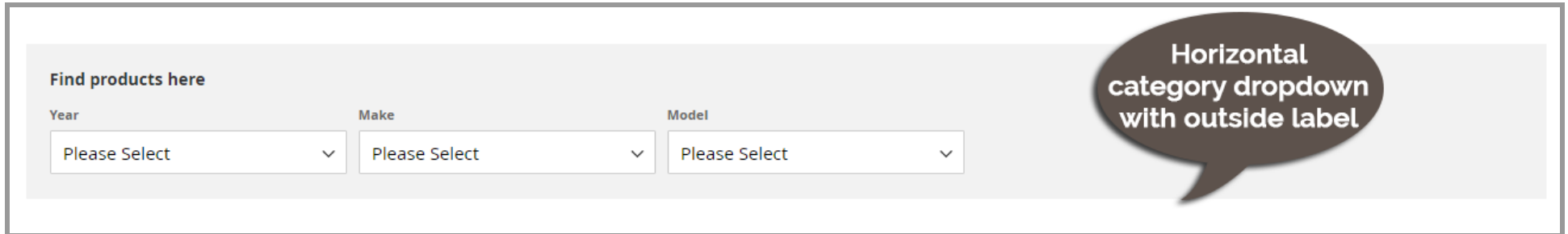
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Vertical category dropdown with inside label

The image shows a vertical search bar with the text "Find products here" on the left. To the right of this text are three vertically stacked dropdown menus labeled "Year", "Make", and "Model". Each dropdown menu has a small downward-pointing arrow on its right side. A dark speech bubble with white text is positioned to the right of the dropdowns, containing the text "Vertical category dropdown with inside label".

Horizontal category dropdown with outside label



Find products here

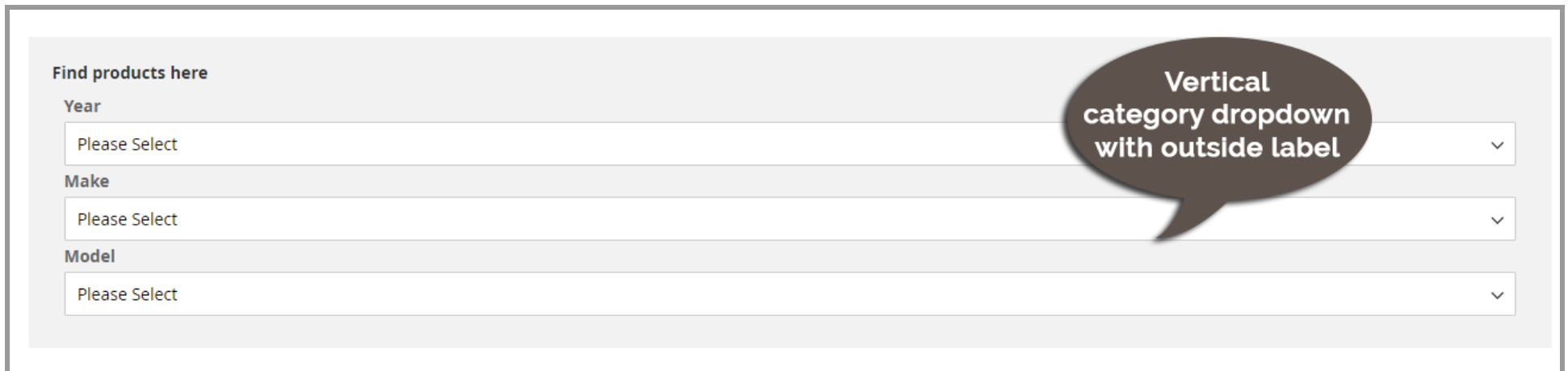
Year Make Model

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Horizontal category dropdown with outside label

The screenshot shows a search bar with the text "Find products here". Below it are three horizontal dropdown menus labeled "Year", "Make", and "Model". Each dropdown menu contains the text "Please Select" and a small downward arrow icon. A dark speech bubble with white text points to the "Year" dropdown, containing the text "Horizontal category dropdown with outside label".

Vertical category dropdown with outside label



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Support

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