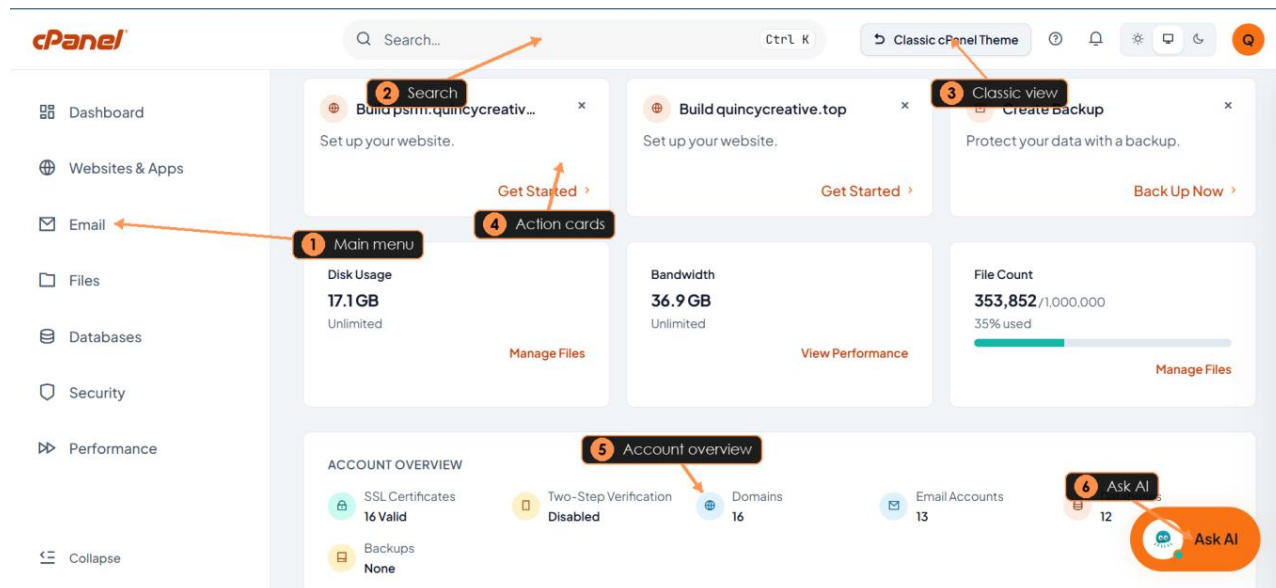


Meridian Theme Handbook

A practical Quincy Creative guide to enabling and using the redesigned cPanel interface

Meridian is now available in cPanel. It brings websites, email, files, databases, security, performance information, and contextual AI help into a clearer interface. This handbook shows how to turn it on, find each main area, and return to the classic theme when needed.

Follow the numbered instructions and match each number to the orange pointer on the screenshot.



Meridian dashboard at a glance

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What Is New In Meridian

- A dashboard that surfaces tasks needing attention, suggested next actions, account usage, and shortcuts.
- A consistent left menu for Dashboard, Websites and Apps, Email, Files, Databases, Security, and Performance.
- A global search box for finding cPanel tools quickly.
- A visible Classic cPanel Theme button for returning to the previous layout.
- A floating Ask AI button that opens help related to the screen currently being viewed.

Feature	Purpose
Sitejet AI	Generates a Sitejet website that can be edited in Sitejet Builder.
AI App Hosting	Deploys and runs Node.js apps from a Git repository, ZIP file, or MCP connection.
AI Assistant	Answers questions about cPanel tools in the context of the current page.
MCP	Allows an external AI client to connect to the cPanel account through MCP.
Security	Brings SSL certificates, IP blocklists, firewall coverage, and account protection together.

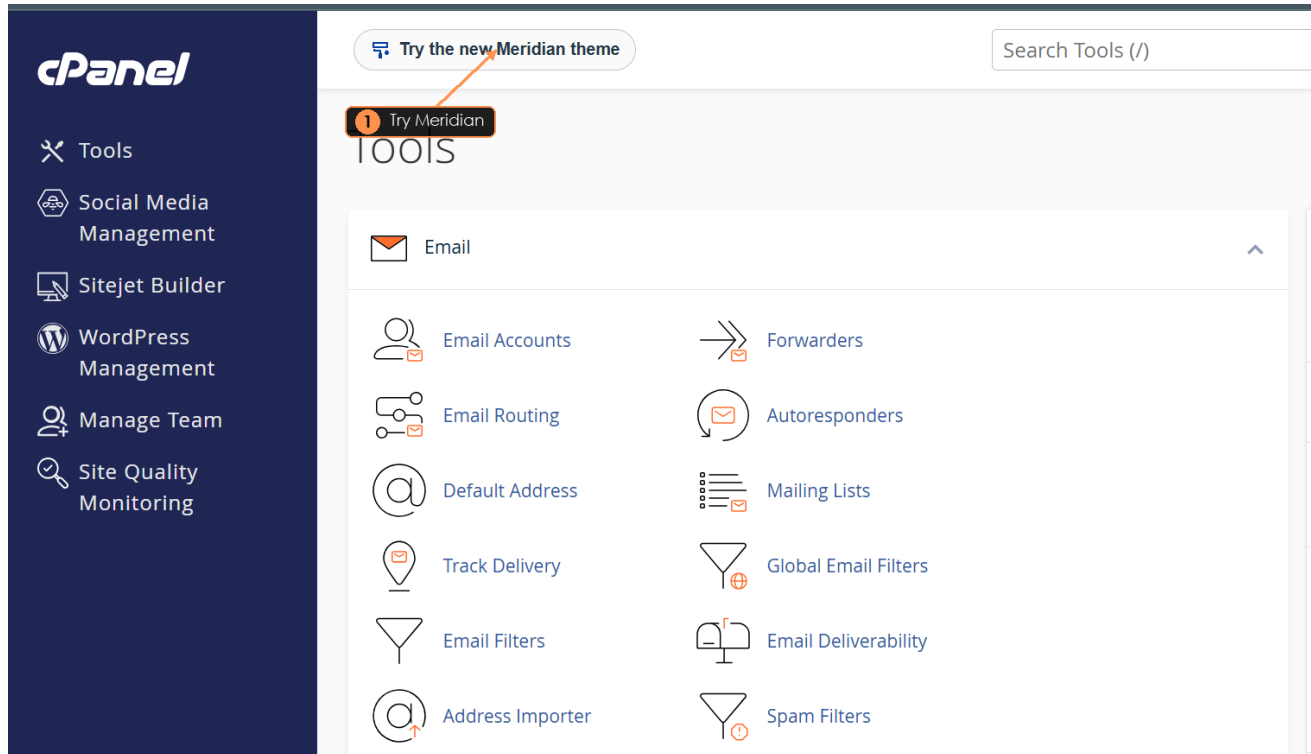
Main Navigation

Area	Use it for
Dashboard	Alerts, suggested actions, status information, and AI help.
Websites and Apps	Domains, subdomains, website setup, Sitejet, and applications.
Email	Mailboxes, storage, forwarders, autoresponders, filters, and status.
Files	File Manager, disk usage, file transfer accounts, backups, and trash.
Databases	Creating, finding, and managing MariaDB or PostgreSQL databases.
Security	SSL, firewall, two-step verification, redirects, and protection tools.
Performance	Bandwidth, visitors, errors, CPU, memory, and entry processes.

Enable Meridian

Start from the classic cPanel Tools page.

1. Sign in to the cPanel account.
2. At the top of the Tools page, select Try the new Meridian theme.
3. Wait for the new dashboard to load. The white left menu and top search bar confirm that Meridian is active.

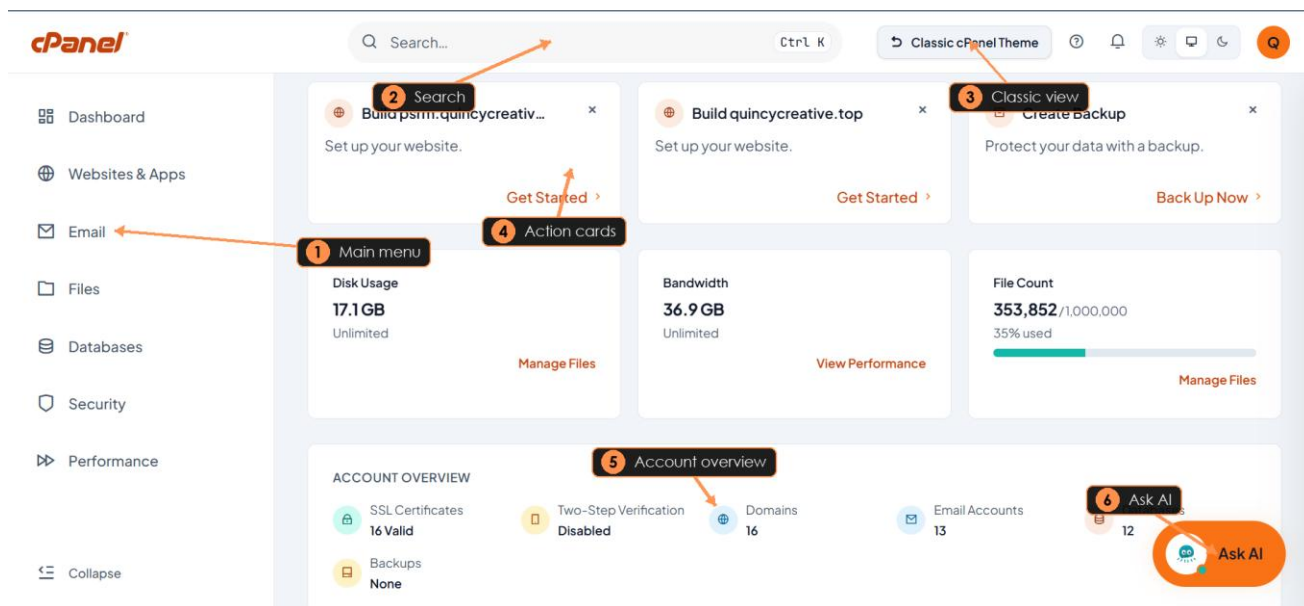


Select the control marked 1 to turn on Meridian

Use The Dashboard

The dashboard is the starting point for navigation, account status, and recommended actions.

4. Use the left menu to open the main cPanel areas.
5. Use Search to find a tool by name.
6. Select Classic cPanel Theme when you need the previous layout.
7. Use the action cards to complete recommended setup or backup tasks.
8. Review Account Overview for SSL, two-step verification, domains, email, databases, and backups.
9. Select Ask AI for help without leaving the page.

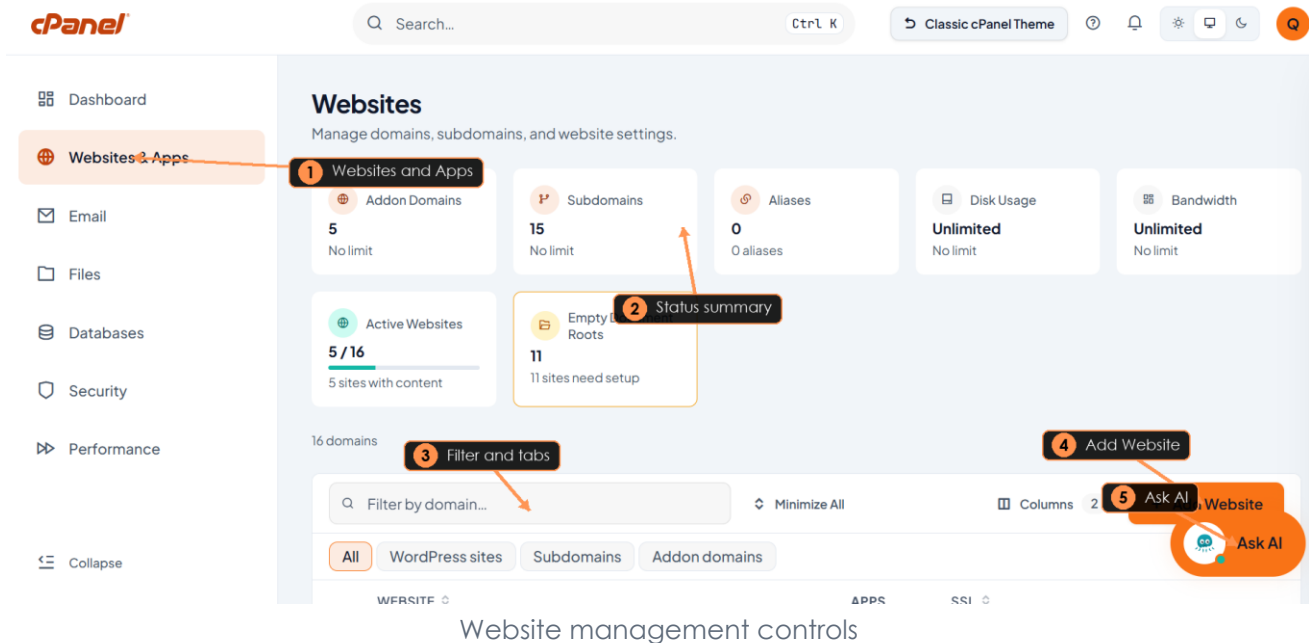


Dashboard controls and status areas

Manage Websites And Apps

This page brings website setup, domains, subdomains, and usage information together.

10. Select Websites and Apps from the left menu.
11. Review the summary tiles for domains, active websites, disk usage, and bandwidth.
12. Use Filter by domain and the tabs to find a specific website type.
13. Select Add Website to begin a new website setup.
14. Use Ask AI when you need guidance about the current page.



Website management controls

Manage Email

Use the Email page to create mailboxes and maintain existing accounts.

15. Select Email from the left menu.
16. Use Search accounts to find a mailbox.
17. Use the filters to show suspended accounts, forwarding, autoresponders, or accounts near quota.
18. Select New Email Account to create a mailbox.
19. Select Manage beside an address to change its settings.

The screenshot shows the cPanel Email management interface. The left sidebar contains a menu with 'Email' highlighted. The main content area displays 'Email' management options, including a search bar, filters, and a table of email accounts. Numbered callouts (1-5) highlight key features: 1. Email menu item, 2. Search accounts bar, 3. Account filters, 4. New account button, and 5. Manage button next to an account.

1 Email

2 Search accounts

3 Account filters

4 New account

5 Manage

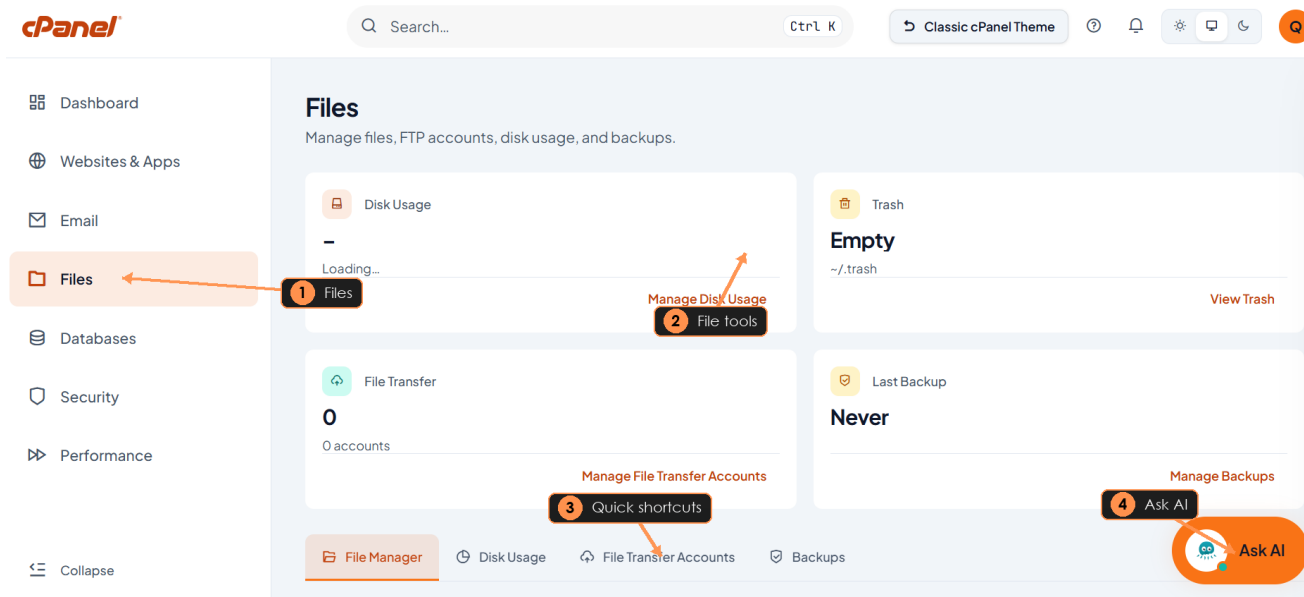
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contact@quincycreative.co.ke	769 KB	∞	Active
admin@quincycreative.co.ke	23 MB	1.0 GB	Active

Email account controls

Manage Files And Backups

The Files page provides storage, transfer, backup, and trash tools.

20. Select Files from the left menu.
21. Use the main files to review disk usage, trash, file transfer accounts, and the latest backup.
22. Use the shortcuts along the bottom to open File Manager, Disk Usage, File Transfer Accounts, or Backups.
23. Select Ask AI if you need help choosing a file tool.



File and backup controls

Important: Download a backup before making a large or unfamiliar change to website files.

Manage Databases

Use the Databases page to find, create, and maintain account databases.

24. Select Databases from the left menu.
25. Use Search databases to find an existing database.
26. Choose All databases, MariaDB, or PostgreSQL to narrow the list.
27. Select Create Database to add a database.
28. Select Manage beside a database to review or change it.

The screenshot shows the cPanel interface with the 'Databases' section selected in the left sidebar. The main content area is titled 'Databases' and includes a search bar, filter tabs, and a table of existing databases. Numbered callouts highlight key features: 1 points to the 'Databases' sidebar menu item; 2 points to the search bar; 3 points to the 'Database type' filter tabs; 4 points to the '+ Create Database' button; and 5 points to the 'Manage' button for a specific database.

NAME	TYPE	USERS	
quincyme_mautic_db	MariaDB	1	Manage
quincyme_whmc560	MariaDB	1	Manage
quincyme_wp28	MariaDB	1	Manage
quincyme_wp356	MariaDB	1	Manage
quincyme_wp442	MariaDB	1	Manage
quincyme_wp494	MariaDB	1	Manage

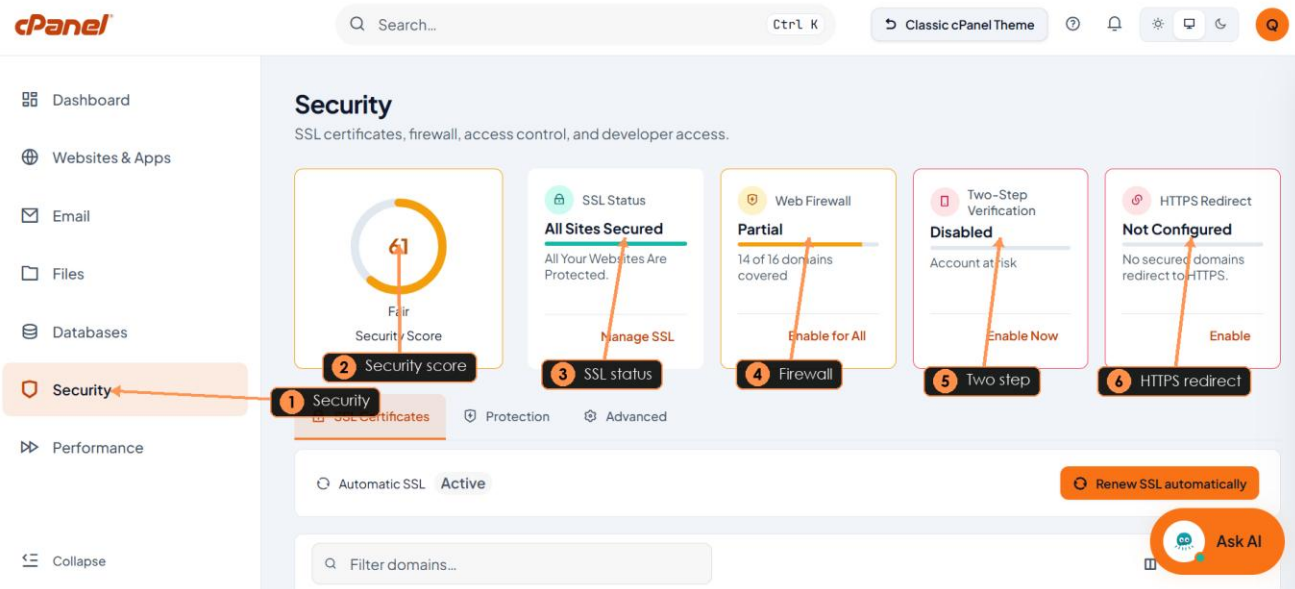
Database controls

Important: Do not delete or rename a live website database unless you know which application uses it and have a current backup.

Review Security

The Security page collects the most important protection settings in one place.

29. Select Security from the left menu.
30. Review the Security Score for a quick account health indicator.
31. Open SSL Status to confirm that websites are protected by certificates.
32. Review Web Firewall coverage and enable it where appropriate.
33. Configure Two-Step Verification to strengthen account access.
34. Configure HTTPS Redirect so visitors use secure connections.



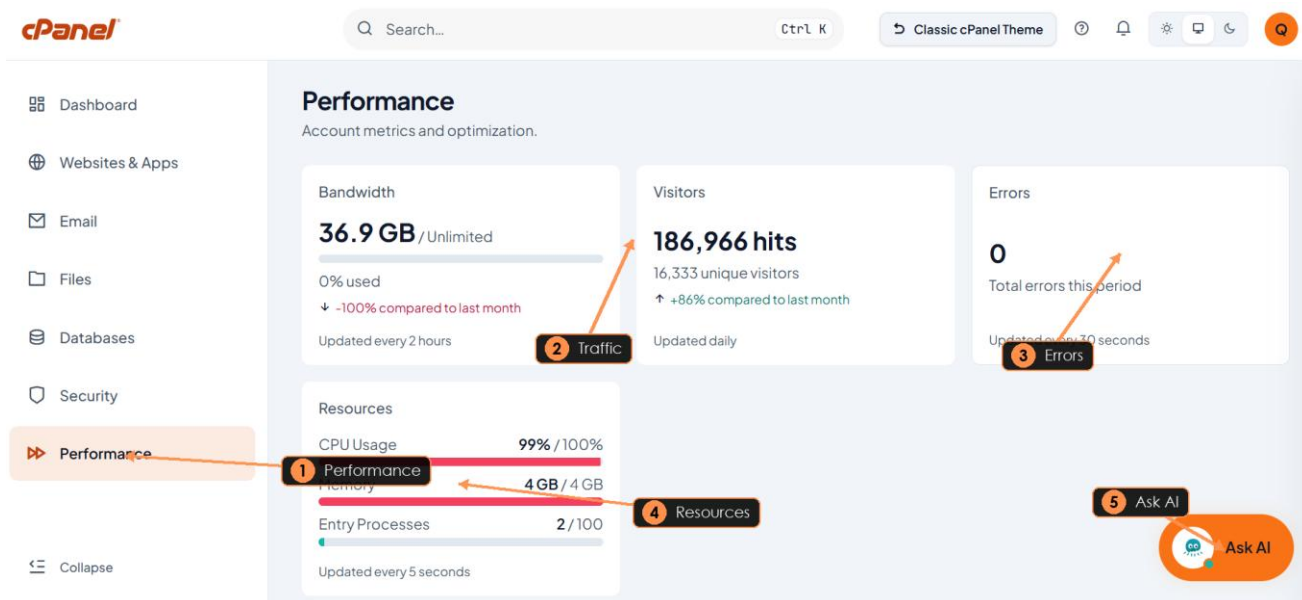
Security status and protection controls

Important: Review the affected domains before applying changes to every website at once.

Monitor Performance

The Performance page shows traffic, errors, and server resource use.

35. Select Performance from the left menu.
36. Review Bandwidth and Visitors for traffic trends.
37. Check Errors for current problems.
38. Review Resources for CPU, memory, and entry process usage.
39. Select Ask AI for help understanding a metric.



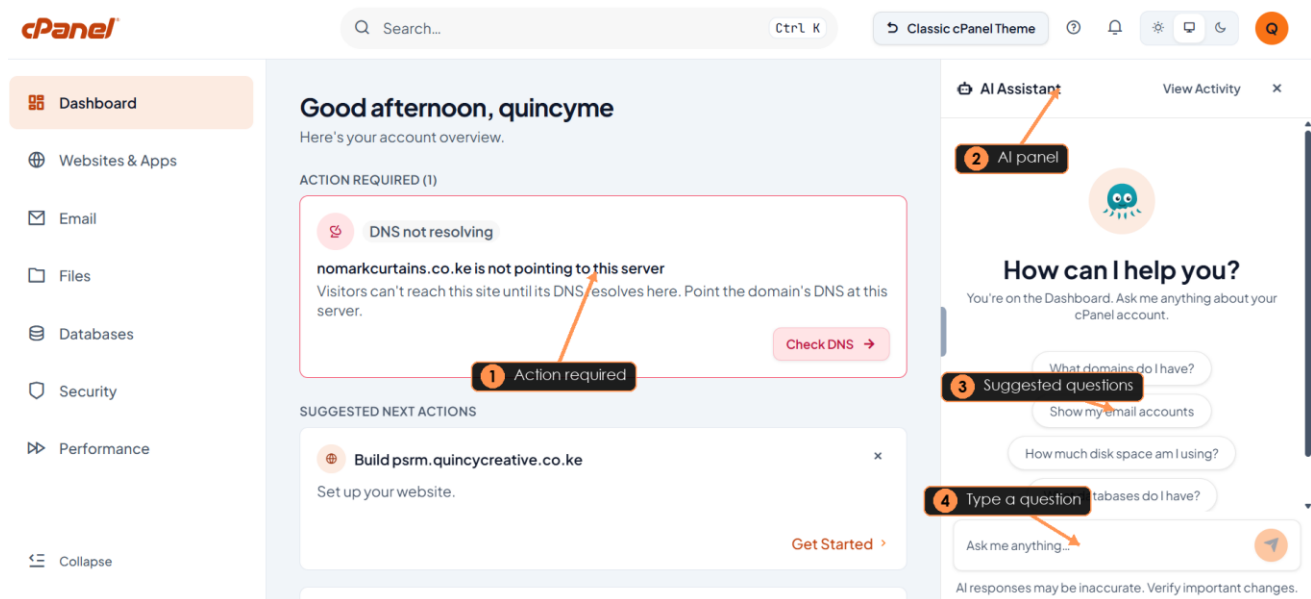
Traffic, error, and resource indicators

Important: Sustained CPU or memory usage close to 100 percent may require website optimization or help from your hosting provider.

Use The AI Assistant

The AI Assistant answers questions about the cPanel account and the page you are viewing.

40. Review the Action Required area before starting a task.
41. Open Ask AI to display the assistant panel.
42. Choose a suggested question when it matches what you need.
43. Type a plain-language question in the message box and submit it.



AI Assistant panel and question controls

Important: AI responses may be inaccurate. Verify important changes before applying them.

Quick Start Checklist

- [] Sign in to cPanel.
- [] Select Try the new Meridian theme from the classic Tools page.
- [] Review the dashboard for Action Required items and suggested next actions.
- [] Use Search or the left menu to open the tool you need.
- [] Use Ask AI for contextual guidance and verify important changes.
- [] Select Classic cPanel Theme if you need to return to the previous interface.