

Sidebar Settings

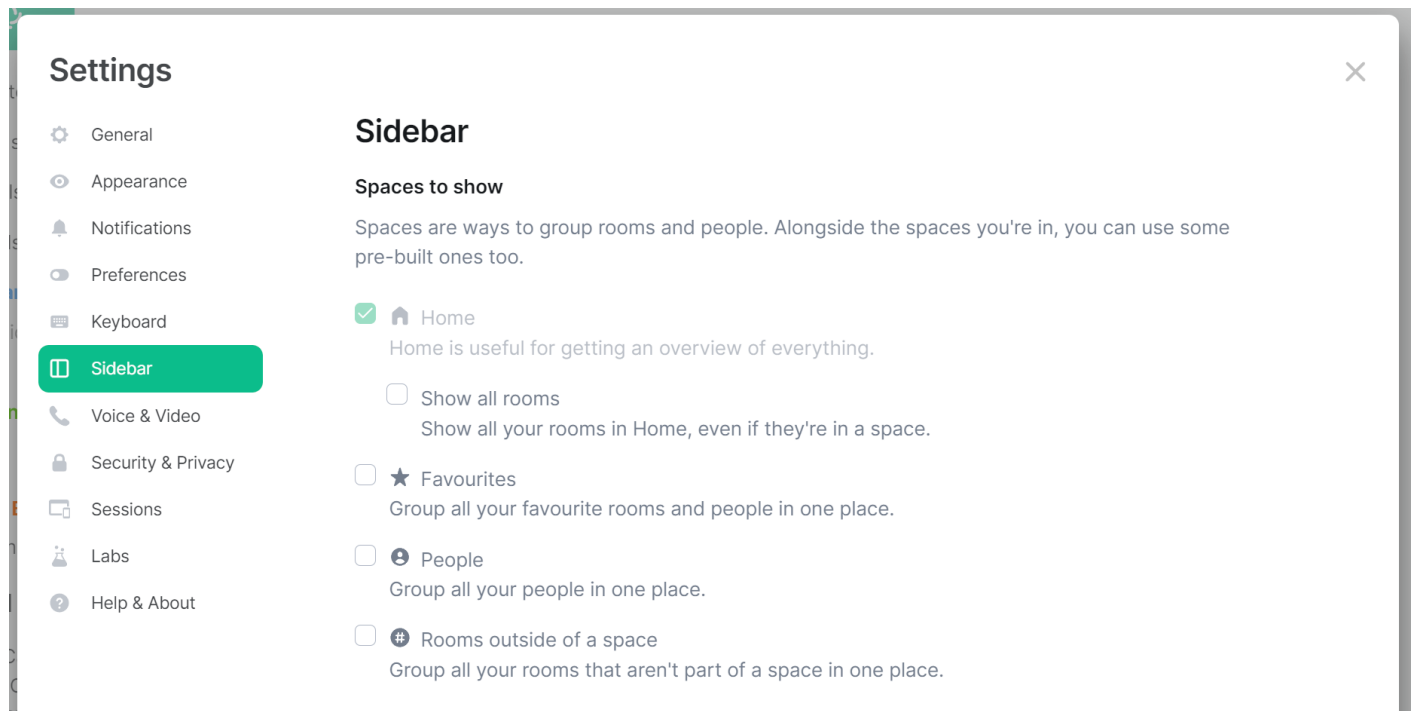
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Accessing Sidebar Settings

You can change your Matrix account settings by clicking your profile icon in the top left of the Element client. By default, this will be a colored circle with the first letter of your Matrix ID. From the presented drop-down menu, you'll be able to jump into specific settings straight away, or access `All Settings`. Clicking `All Settings` will take you first to `General` settings, click `Sidebar` in the vertical navigation menu on the left to open `Sidebar` settings.

Info: The below setting layout / order may change in subsequent client updates, however generally most settings will still perform the same function.

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The screenshot shows the 'Settings' dialog box with the 'Sidebar' section selected in the left-hand navigation menu. The 'Sidebar' settings are as follows:

- General**
- Appearance**
- Notifications**
- Preferences**
- Keyboard**
- Sidebar** (selected)
- Voice & Video**
- Security & Privacy**
- Sessions**
- Labs**
- Help & About**

Sidebar

Spaces to show

Spaces are ways to group rooms and people. Alongside the spaces you're in, you can use some pre-built ones too.

- Home**
Home is useful for getting an overview of everything.
- Show all rooms**
Show all your rooms in Home, even if they're in a space.
- ★ Favourites**
Group all your favourite rooms and people in one place.
- 👤 People**
Group all your people in one place.
- # Rooms outside of a space**
Group all your rooms that aren't part of a space in one place.

The sidebar settings controls what Spaces to show down the sidebar on the left.

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- *Show all rooms:* Show all your rooms in Home, even if they're in a space.

Favorites: Group all your favorite rooms and people in one place.

People: Group all your people in one place.

Rooms outside of a space: Group all your rooms that aren't part of a space in one place.

See the below example of a sidebar with these options enabled:

