**1. Business Information**

* Business name:
* Logo (optional — you can upload it if you want it included):
* Address:
* Phone/email/website:

**2. Client Information**

* Will you be inputting client name and address manually, or should I include placeholders?

**3. Invoice Details**

* Invoice number format (e.g., INV-001):
* Date format (e.g., April 12, 2025 or 12/04/2025):
* Payment due terms (e.g., Due on receipt, Net 15, Net 30):
* Currency and symbol (e.g., USD $, EUR €, INR ₹):

**4. Line Items**

* Typical fields: Description, Quantity, Rate, Amount — is that good?
* Any taxes or discounts to include?

**5. Footer**

* Notes (e.g., “Thank you for your business!”):
* Bank/payment details:
* Any terms & conditions?

Once I have those, I can generate a clean invoice format for print or digital use (PDF/HTML/Excel). Let me know your preferred format too!

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**Here's what I propose:**

**✅ Step 1: Fixed Business Details**

We’ll store your business info, so it automatically appears in each invoice.

**✅ Step 2: Input Template for Each Invoice**

You’ll just input:

* Client name & address
* Invoice date
* Line items (description, quantity, rate)
* Optional: tax %, discount %, or additional notes

**✅ Step 3: Automatic Output**

The system will:

* Auto-generate invoice number (sequential)
* Calculate subtotal, tax, discount, total
* Format date, currency
* Output a ready-to-send invoice in **PDF, Excel, or HTML**

To build this for you, I’ll need:

**🔧 Business Details (for auto-fill):**

* Business Name:
* Address:
* Email & Phone:
* GST or Tax ID (if any):
* Bank Details (optional for footer):

**🎯 Preferences:**

* Currency (₹, $, etc):
* Tax rate (% or different for each item?):
* Discount handling? (Y/N)
* Invoice format you prefer: PDF / Excel / HTML?
* A working **Excel/Google Sheets template** *(most common & flexible)*  
  **OR**
* A **Python-based script** to generate invoices automatically  
  **OR**
* A **web-based HTML template** (if you want to integrate into a web system)

**App Features Overview**

**✅ Core Functions:**

1. **Create Invoice**
   * Enter client info + line items
   * Auto-generate invoice number, date, total, taxes
   * Save to database
2. **Search Invoices**
   * By client name, invoice number, or date range
   * View/download previous invoices
3. **Database Storage**
   * Stores all invoice data securely
   * Can be exported later if needed
4. **Invoice Output**
   * Generates clean, printable invoices (PDF or HTML)
   * Option to email directly to client (optional feature)

**🛠️ Tech Stack Suggestion**

* **Frontend (App UI)**: React.js (fast, modern UI)
* **Backend (Logic & API)**: Node.js or Python Flask
* **Database**: SQLite / PostgreSQL (depends on your scale)
* **Invoice Generator**: PDFKit or HTML to PDF engine
* **Optional**: Admin dashboard for summary/reporting

**📦 What You’ll Get**

Once complete, you’ll have:

* A simple, user-friendly web app (hosted locally or on a server)
* A searchable invoice database
* Auto-generated PDF invoices
* Secure storage of all entries

**✏️ To Get Started, I Need:**

1. **Your Business Info** (Name, Address, Logo, Tax ID, etc.)
2. Preferred **currency & tax setup**
3. Whether you want to:
   * Deploy it locally (run on your laptop)
   * Deploy it online (available from anywhere)