

Mobile First Design

A responsive/adaptive site

- Design the mobile version first

Why Mobile First Design

- Easier to expand than collapse
- Encourages clear designs
- Defines priorities

Mobile First CSS

Not just the design, the implementation

- Write HTML, thinking mobile
- Write CSS for mobile design
- Media queries apply larger settings
 - tablet/desktop/etc
- Mobile usually more simple CSS
 - Mostly stacked vertical blocks
- Avoids "undoing" CSS

Simple Example

- Header
- Global Menu
- Local Menu
- Main Content
- Footer

Sample layouts

Mobile:

- Most elements in vertical order
- Menus to come later
- That's all!

Desktop:

- layout to put sections next to each other
- Menus: same content, different arrangement