Project Specifications: The Pantry

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1 Application Overview

We have decided to create a platform for people to share all things cooking. This will be a recipe website with an emphasis on shairing specific information, by encouraging people to post photos, recipes and share ideas. Our team has decided to create a platform to allow users access to recipes, as well as post their own recipes with any type of media: videos, images, etc. Futhermore other than sharing their own recipes, we will allow users to follow different content creators and provide a feed of personalised recipes, based on previous recipes that the user has viewed or by different creators they have followed.

2 Specification

2.1 Functionality

- 1. Users sign up and manage their account: profile, posts, feed, etc.
- 2. Search box to search for recipes and other users.
- 3. Allow users to post in structured manner: a section for image, section for method and a section for ingredients.
- 4. Allow users to browse through different catagories and content creators via menus and submenus.

2.2 Assumptions and Dependencies

We are assuming that users will want to post recipes in a structured format, that is: uploading a picture of the finished product; entering key details such as the ingredients list; method taken to reproduce recipe and how many people it serves.

2.3 Developments Methods

We will use a version control system to collabrate, the specific tools being git and github. To implement the project we will be using Python with the Django framework as well as several different other programming languages and tools such as photoshop for site graphics.

3 User Personas

3.1 Persona 1

Name: John Smith

Occupation: University Student

Location: Edinburgh

Age: 24



Bio

John does not have much experience with cooking. He is on the university football team so is looking for simple healthy dishes on a budget. John wants to follow people that promote a healthy way of living and sometimes bakers when he wants to impress his new flat mates with cake and pies. He has used technology for most of his life so has no issues with using new applications and will access them on his laptop, phone or tablet.

Goals

- · John would love to be a professional footballer
- He wants to be in the best shape possible
- He wants to be much more confident in the kitchen

Frustrations

- Inefficient things
- · Over sharing on social media
- Fake news



3.2 Persona 2

Name: Margret Collins

Occupation: Retired

Location: London

Age: 69



Bio

Margret is looking is looking for some delicious and healthy recipes for her grandchildren. Margret is a bowling player and is a former local champion. Grandma Margret loves to bake cakes and make casseroles but her grandchildren are getting sick and bored of the same dishes every time. She is not very familiar with technology and sometimes struggles to understand how to use even the internet's most popular websites.

Goals

- · Make friends and family happy
- Try new things
- Try and attend more bake sales
- · Raise money for charity

Frustrations

- · Confusing Websites and technology
- Brexit
- Adverts



3.3 Persona 3

Name: Steve Williams

Occupation: Chef

Location: Glasgow

Age: 39



Bio

Steve is the head chef at his own café in the centre of Glasgow. He is always looking for opportunities to promote his work, he feels the best way of doing this is to share dishes and ideas he has online to encourage people to come and try his cuisine. He is very comfortable with technology and has a passion for photography as well as food.

Goals

- · Grow his business
- · Expand his knowledge of food
- Learn the piano
- Lead a healthier lifestyle

Frustrations

- Food critics
- Cats
- Cluttered websites



3.4 Persona 4

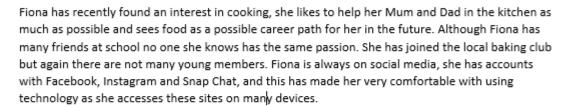
Name: Fiona Jackson

Occupation: School Pupil

Location: Manchester

Age: 14

Bio



Goals

- · Become a head chef in a restaurant
- Do well in her home economics exam
- Learn more about cooking

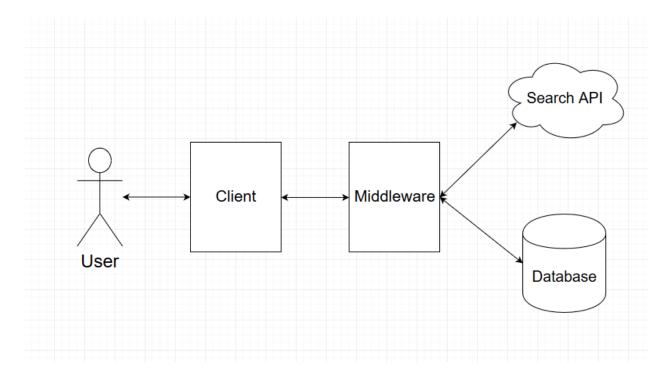
Frustrations

- · Lack of information for young people that like to cook
- Confusing websites
- · People that are not nice online





4 System Architecture

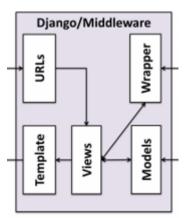


4.1 Client

Our applications client will be a human. This means the application will have to simple enough for most people to understand and aesthetically pleasing enough to make people want to use and come back to the application.

4.2 Middleware

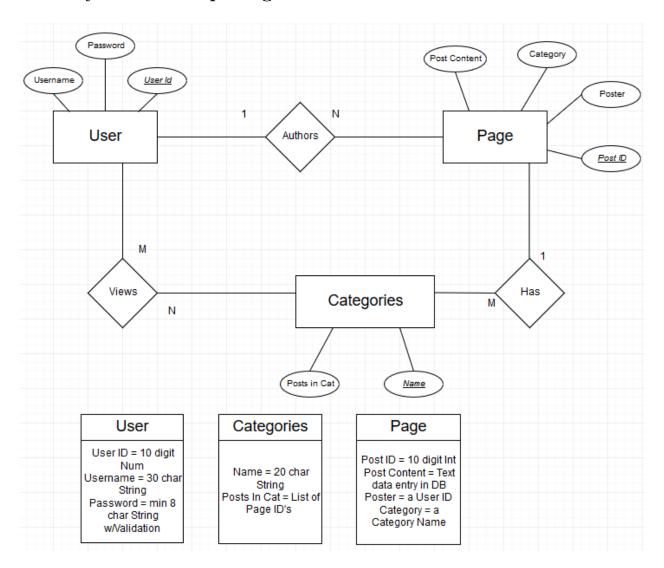
Django will be used for the applications middleware. We will store the URLs, templates, views, models and wrapper here. This means how the application looks and feels will be decided within the middleware.



4.3 Backend

The backend will store the data/content for the application. It will do this in a database. Services will also be stored here (search API).

5 Entity Relationship Diagram



6 Wireframes

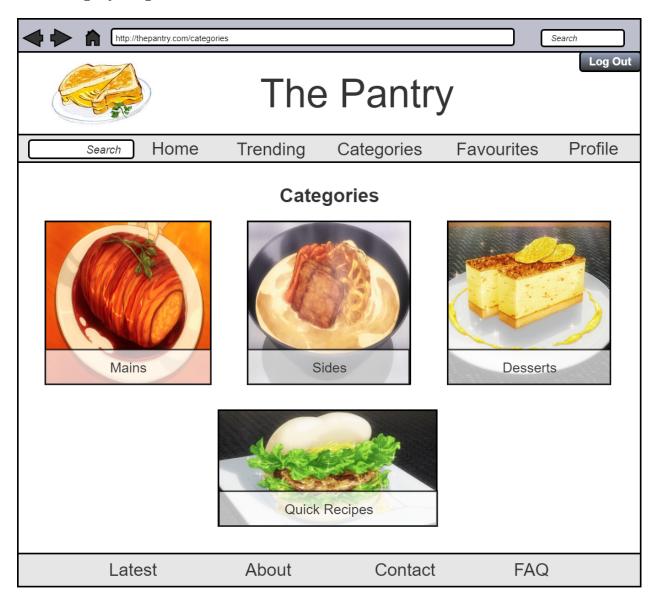
6.1 Index Page



6.2 Recipe Page



6.3 Category Page



6.4 Login Page



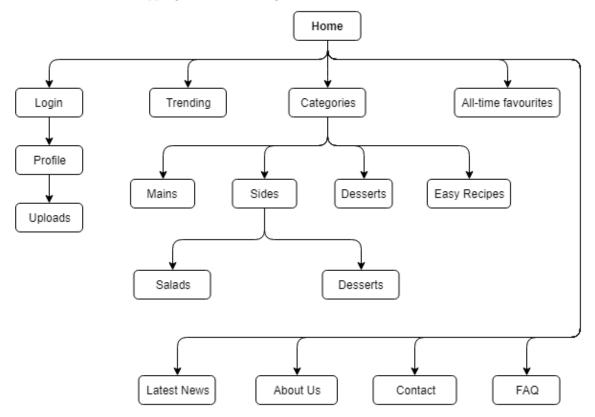
7 Site Walkthrough

7.1 General Layout

When one first loads up the website, one will be presented with a menu bar at the top with the options: Home, Treding, Categories, Favourites and Profile. Clicking on any of these will take you to the respective pages. At the top right hand corner of the website one will find a login/out button which can be used once one has a registered account. To the left hand corner of the top menu, there is a search bar that users can use. Furthermore, users are presented with a feed of recipes in the center of the page. When transitioning from page to page, the main section of the website may change content to fuffil said pages requirements. Finally There is a menu at the foot of the website with a link to the latest recipe posts and several support links. Each page has the same general layout to provide an easy to use website and contiunity.

7.2 Visual Site Mappings

Provided below are visual mappings of how to navigate the website:



Site URLs

- /index
- /login
 - o login/profile
 - login/profile/uploads
- /categories
 - /categories/mains
 - /categories/sides
 - /categories/sides/soups
 - /categories/sides/salads
 - o /categories/desserts
 - /categories/easy
- /trending
- /all-time-favourites
- /logout
- /latest
- /about
- /contact
- /faq

7.3 How-To Tutorial

7.3.1 Index Page

To navigate users need to click on links in the respective menus to take oneself to another page. If users want to find a specific recipe or user, one simply needs to type what they are looking for in the search bar. If not signed in one will be presented with a feed of trending recipes, however if signed in the feed is personalised based on which users one follows and on previous recipe viewing history.

7.3.2 Catagory Page

On this page the feed is replaced by captioned images of the catagories available on the website, to go to the respective catagories the user simply needs to click the image for the catagory.

7.3.3 Recipe Page

When the user has clicked on the recipe, the user will be presented with the method and ingredients. The ingredient list is always below the image of the finished product and is listed by name and amount. The method is always to the right, users should follow the steps provided to make the following recipe. At the bottom users can leave comments for the recipe author, comments are seen by all users.

7.3.4 Login Page

If the user is already registered with the website then one can login by entering one's username and password and pressing the log in button. Once logged in users have the option to modify their profile and post a recipe. If the user is not registered with the website then one can register by choosing a available username and password and providing an email account that blongs to oneself.