# **Flutter Bottom Navigation**

## **Basic Usage**

```
import 'package:flutter/material.dart';
class MyHomePage extends StatefulWidget {
 @override
 _MyHomePageState createState() => _MyHomePageState();
}
class _MyHomePageState extends State<MyHomePage> {
  int _selectedIndex = 0;
 void _onItemTapped(int index) {
   setState(() {
     _selectedIndex = index;
    });
  }
  @override
 Widget build(BuildContext context) {
   return Scaffold(
      appBar: AppBar(title: Text("Bottom Navigation Example")),
     body: Center(child: Text("Selected Index: $_selectedIndex")),
     bottomNavigationBar: BottomNavigationBar(
        items: [
          BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.home), label: 'Home'),
          BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.search), label: 'Search'),
                       BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.notifications), label:
'Notifications'),
        ],
        currentIndex: _selectedIndex,
        onTap: _onItemTapped,
```

```
);
);
}
```

## **Common Attributes**

#### - items

List of BottomNavigationBarltem widgets.

Example: See example above.

#### - currentIndex

Index of the currently selected item.

Example: int \_selectedIndex

## - onTap

Callback when an item is tapped.

Example: \_onItemTapped(int index)

#### - selectedItemColor

Color of the selected item.

Example: Colors.blue

### - unselectedItemColor

Color of unselected items.

Example: Colors.grey

### - showSelectedLabels

Show labels for selected items.

Example: true/false

#### - showUnselectedLabels

Show labels for unselected items.

Example: true/false

# **Example: Custom Bottom Navigation**

```
items: [
   BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.home), label: 'Home'),
   BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.search), label: 'Search'),
   BottomNavigationBarItem(icon: Icon(Icons.notifications), label: 'Notifications'),
],
currentIndex: _selectedIndex,
onTap: _onItemTapped,
selectedItemColor: Colors.blue,
unselectedItemColor: Colors.grey,
showSelectedLabels: true,
showUnselectedLabels: true,
```

## **Best Practices**

- 1. Limit the number of items to 3-5 for clarity.
- 2. Use intuitive icons and labels for each item.
- 3. Ensure accessibility by providing meaningful labels.
- 4. Maintain a consistent design with the app theme.