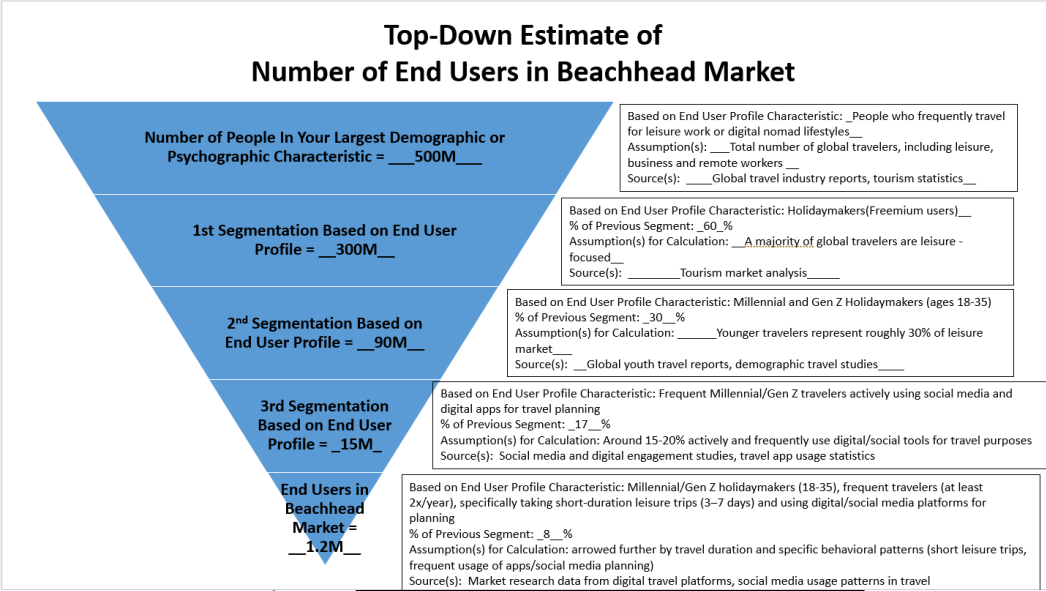


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Step 4: Calculate Total Addressable Market (TAM) for Beachhead Market Worksheets

(Editable version of above graphic provided in additional Powerpoint document)

I.	One Time Charge Data Point	Freemium (Holidaymakers)	Millennial and Gen Z Holidaymakers	Frequent Millennial/Gen Z travelers	Millennial/Gen Z holidaymakers
Ia	Estimation of price per unit	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ib	Number of units needed per end user	1	1	1	1
Ic	Average Life Relevant? (assume repurchase)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Id	Average Life of Product in year	1	1	1	1
Ie	Annualized Revenue (Ia*Ib)/Id (Data Point 1)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
II.	Budget Available Data Points				
IIa	Current Spend per end user (Data Point 2)	\$0	\$20-50 /year	\$30-60 /year	\$50-150 /year
IIb	Total budget for the end user	\$500 /year	\$500-1500 /year	\$600-1800 /year	\$400-1500 /year

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IIc	What % of budget could go to this solution reasonably?	5%	2-3%	3-4%	2-5%
IId	Annualize Revenue (IIb*IIc) (Data Point 3)	\$10	\$10-45	\$18-72	\$10-75
III	Comparables				
IIIa	Who are the comparable for your business?	Google maps, Trip advisor	Instagram, tiktok, travel influencers	Tripit, Hostelworld, expedia	Short-trip apps, Airbnb Experiences
IIIb	What are the comparable products?	Travel guides itinerary planners	Social media travel reccomendations	Travel planning apps booking services	Short trip itinerary planners , experience booking platforms
IIId	What is the comparable converted to similar annualize revenue (Data Points 4 plus however many more you deem relevant)	\$0-50 / user	\$10-50 /user	\$20-80 /user	\$30-100 / user
IV	Interpreting the Results				
IVa	Consensus on estimate of annualized revenue per end user (a range is fine)	\$0 – 50	\$10-50	\$20-80	\$30-100
	How did you end up at this number/range?	Basen on free tier services with optional upsells	Basen on moderate spending through social media and digital adds	Based on higher frequency usage and engagement on platforms	Based on highly targeted frequent short trips with high digital engagement

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Now the final items beyond just a beachhead market TAM are the other dimensions that are important to provide more meaning to the overall number. A \$10M beachhead market TAM that has 99% profitability where you can win 100% market share in less than a year, which also happens to be growing at 30% a year, is totally different than a \$10M beachhead market TAM with 10% profitability where you will only get 10% market share after 3 years of effort and the market is shrinking each year.

This information should be collected and then added in to fill out the Top-Down TAM Analysis Summary below to give a robust sense of the economic attractiveness of market characteristics of the beachhead market.

Top-Down TAM Analysis Summary				
1	Total # of end users in the broad market segment	500M	Source/ Based on:	Global travel market data , online booking statistics
2	Total # of end users in the targeted sub-segment your BHM	1.2M	Source/ Based on:	Segmentation narrowing to Millennial/Gen Z travelers (18-35), frequent short trips (3-7 days), heavy social media/app usage Youth travel segment reports

				Social media usage statistics
				Market research from digital travel platforms
3	Annual monetizable revenue per end user	\$30-100	Source/ Based on:	Revenue through ads, affiliate marketing, optional premium upgrades Comparable freemium short-trip travel apps
4	Estimate of Top-Down TAM (line 2 times line 3)	\$36-120M	Source / Based on :	Multiplication of total users in beachhead market by expected annual revenue per user
5	Estimate of Range of Profitability for Your Product	50-70%	Source/ Based on:	Digital platform model with high gross margins, scalability, and low marginal costs
6	Estimated CAGR (Compound Annual Growth Rate)	25-35%	Source/ Based on:	Growth projections in youth travel segment Increasing digital and social media engagement trends
7	Estimated Time to Achieve 20% Market Share	2-3 years	Source/ Based on:	Adoption patterns from similar digital/social media-driven travel platforms Strategic digital marketing and partnership opportunities
8	Anticipated Market Share Achieved if You are Reasonably Successful	30-40%	Source/ Based on:	Competitive landscape analysis Strong user engagement strategies and retention
	What are the 3 top assumptions that could affect the attractiveness of the beachhead market for your product (besides the product itself)?	Adoption and Engagement Rate: Percentage of users actively engaging with digital platforms and willingness to convert to premium features or services. Competitive Landscape: Ability to differentiate, innovate, and sustain a competitive advantage in an evolving market with numerous digital/social media-driven travel solutions. Market and Economic Trends: Continued growth and stability of the global leisure travel market, especially among younger demographics, and sustained increases in digital media reliance and short-trip frequency.		

Based on this summary analysis, use the below checklist to assess whether your beachhead market is a good size:

Checklist After TAM Analysis of Beachhead Market			
		Yes	No
1	Is the market big enough to be interesting?	✓	
2	Is it reasonable in size for us to achieve meaningful word of mouth, meaning it is not too big?	✓	
3	Is it possible to get to cash flow positive in this market in a reasonable period of time (typically 3 years but it might be shorter or longer depending on the	✓	

	industry)? Note: This question takes into consideration the extra 4 factors described above		
4	Do I still feel good about this beachhead market as our initial market?	✓	

If the answer to any of these is no, consider carefully before you move forward. Many of the high-profile entrepreneurs who have access to significant investment capital, or have a very strong personal balance sheet themselves, can ignore #3, but I would advise you to not ignore this question otherwise. It might be the second most important question for your survival. The most important question is the last one, because if you don't feel good about this market, you need to figure out why.

ADVANCED TOPICS: BOTTOM-UP TAM ANALYSIS

As mentioned, a bottom-up analysis is extremely powerful and gives you invaluable insights that are not generally possible through secondary research. Bottom-up analysis is also very time-consuming and difficult to get information for. If you are unsure about your market or your commitment to this idea, skip this part and come back later when you are more confident about your beachhead market and have a deeper understanding of the market. Most plans rely on top-down analysis, and while I think it's insufficient, it is the reality that bottom-up analysis is much, much harder to do.

The below worksheet uses a concept called "end user density" which allows you to complete a bottom-up analysis without the need to identify every single end user in a market, since that process can be prohibitively expensive in terms of time consumed.

To calculate end user density, you'll first need some way to divide up the market into countable units. For instance, in the SensAble example in *Disciplined Entrepreneurship*, we sold to companies that employed industrial designers, and they defined their countable entity as overall number of employees. Their resulting "designer density" for their market was expressed as the number of designers per thousand employees.

For a consumer product, your countable unit could be population, a specific socioeconomic segment of the population, the number of people who own another product, etc. For businesses it may be number of employees, revenue, products released each year, number of customers that company has, etc. These units depend on your situation. Clever choice of countable unit for density will give credibility to your TAM estimate, so spend some time to optimize your choice on this unit, understanding it is still an estimate.

Once you have defined your countable unit, go to three instances of this unit and "count noses," determine exactly how many end users are within that countable unit. Also determine how many people overall are in that countable unit.

Then, for each instance, determine what the annualized revenue per end user is, based on the unique circumstances of each instance. Do not guess, ask the people from this instance of the countable unit!

[Bottom-Up TAM Analysis Worksheet](#)

What countable unit are you using for end user density? Millennial/Gen Z holidaymakers frequenting short leisure trips using digital platforms

What are three instances of this countable unit you will be using to "count noses"?

Social media travel communities

Short-trip booking platforms

Youth-focused travel events and festivals

	<u>Instance 1:</u> <u>Social media travel communities</u>	<u>Instance 2:</u> <u>Short-trip booking platforms</u>	<u>Instance 3:</u> <u>Youth-focused travel events</u>
<u>Who did you speak to in order to gather this info?</u>	<u>Active community members, travel influencers</u>	<u>Platform analytics, users</u>	<u>Event attendees, organizers</u>
<u># of end users</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>800</u>	<u>150</u>
<u># of people in the countable unit</u>	<u>1000</u>	<u>4000</u>	<u>500</u>
<u>Density ratio (# end users / # people in countable unit)</u>	<u>25%</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>30%</u>
<u>How representative of the whole market do you believe this instance is?</u>	<u>Highly representative</u>	<u>Moderately representative</u>	<u>Somewhat representative</u>
<u>In this instance, what is your estimate of the annualized revenue per end user?</u>	<u>50\$</u>	<u>75\$</u>	<u>65\$</u>

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Based on the above table, what is a reasonable estimate of the end user density?

(25% + 20% + 30%) / 3 ≈ 25%

What is a reasonable estimate of the annualized revenue per end user? Average of \$50, \$75, \$65 ≈ \$63

Based on the end user density, what is a reasonable estimate for the number of end users in the market?

Total targeted population (1.2M) × 25% = 300,000

What is a reasonable estimate for the TAM (# end users multiplied by annualized revenue per end user)?

300,000 end users × \$63 annual revenue per user = \$18.9M

Four additional factors to consider:			
Estimate of Range of Profitability for Your Product	<u>50-70%</u>	Based on:	Cost structure analysis, scalability
Estimated CAGR (Compound Annual Growth Rate)	<u>25-35%</u>	Based on:	Growth in youth travel, digital engagement trends
Estimated Time to Achieve 20% Market Share	2-3 years	Based on:	Adoption curves, strategic marketing
Anticipated Market Share Achieved if You are Reasonably Successful	30-40%	Based on:	Competitive analysis, engagement strategies

1. Comparing your top-down and bottom-up analyses, which do you believe has more credibility? Why?

Bottom-up analysis has higher credibility due to direct market interaction and real-world data collection.

2. If you blend the two estimations, what is your final TAM size? What factors would make the TAM lower than you calculated? What are the factors that would drive the TAM much higher?

Top-Down TAM: \$36M–\$120M (average ≈ \$78M)

Bottom-Up TAM: \$18.9M

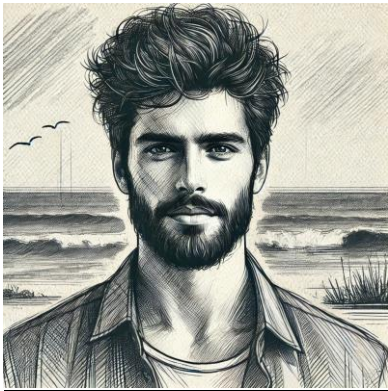
Blended TAM Estimate ≈ (\$78M + \$18.9M) / 2 ≈ \$48.45M

Reducing factors: Slower user adoption, increased competition, economic fluctuations

Increasing factors: Accelerated digital adoption, stronger branding, viral marketing effects

Step 5 Worksheet (Persona):

Persona Profile for Beachhead Market



Persona - Nikos Georgiou

Name	Nikos Georgiou
Address	34 Poseidonos Avenue, Paphos, Cyprus
Email and phone	nikos.georgiou@example.com +357 26 789012
Title (if appropriate)	Web Developer
If B2B, where they exist in the overall org chart	N/A (Individual Consumer)

Demographics:	
Gender	Male
Age	35
Income	€40,000 annually
Education level	Master's Degree
Education specifics (schools, majors, awards, etc.)	Bachelor's and Master's in Computer Science from the University of Cyprus
Employment History (companies, jobs, awards, etc.)	Began as a software engineer at a multinational tech company, later transitioned into UX/UI design for sustainability-focused startups. Eventually became a freelance web developer and digital consultant, working remotely with clients in the travel, wellness, and eco-tourism sectors.
Marital Status	Single
Kids & other family info	No children; close ties with extended family in rural villages
Ethnicity	Greek-Cypriot
Political Affiliations	Apolitical / Environmentally Conscious
Other Demographic 1:	Deeply connected to nature and traditional Cypriot culture
Other Demographic 2:	Frequently travels within the Mediterranean region, often to coastal and rural areas
Other Demographic 3:	Prefers slow travel, local experiences, and eco-conscious accommodations
Other Demographic 4:	Uses technology for independence—relies on apps for language, maps, and local experiences but avoids commercialized travel
Psychographics:	
Why do they do this job or live the life they do	Nikos values freedom, creative independence, and staying close to his cultural roots. He left the corporate world to embrace a slower, more intentional lifestyle.
Hobbies	Sketching landscapes, hiking, playing traditional Cypriot music, photography, journaling
Heroes	His grandfather (a traditional craftsman), Alan Turing, and Steve Jobs (founder of Apple)
Aspirations in life	To live sustainably, publish a book of illustrated travel stories, and establish an eco-village retreat in Cyprus
Fears in life	Losing authenticity and being disconnected from nature
Personality Traits	Reflective, grounded, independent, curious, empathetic, resourceful
Interesting habits	Collects seashells from every beach he visits, codes personal side projects while on trains or ferries, writes micro-poems inspired by overheard conversations, prefers sleeping with open windows to feel the sea breeze
Other Psychographic 1:	Finds fulfillment in sharing knowledge and mentoring younger creatives
Other Psychographic 2:	Prefers meaningful, slow conversations over small talk
Other Psychographic 3:	Dislikes tourist traps and mass-marketed travel experiences
Other Psychographic 4:	Uses technology for independence, relies on apps for language, maps, and local experiences
Proxy Products (Which products have the highest correlation with your Persona)	

Is there a product or products that the Persona needs to have in order to get benefit from yours?	Yes – smartphone with offline capability, travel adapter, local SIM card or eSIM service
Are there products the Persona uses that embody the psychographics & demographics from the end user profile?	Yes – apps like Waze GPS, Duolingo, and browser, also prefers sustainable brands like Airbnb, Foody and Uber
Any other unusual or interesting products of note that the Persona has?	Carries a power-bank, a hand-built mechanical keyboard for remote work comfort and a wearable UV sensor to monitor sun exposure on long hikes
<u>Watering Holes (Real or virtual places where the Persona interacts with others like herself):</u>	
Favorite sources for news (e.g., which newspapers, TV shows, websites, blogs, etc.)	National Geographic, The Guardian, Cypriot local news blogs, niche travel newsletters
Places where they congregate with other similar people	Digital nomad forums, Tourmate Community App, sustainable travel Telegram channels, camping, and eco-retreat meetups
Associations they belong to and the importance of each	Active member of remote work platforms like Nomad List and Couchsurfing Events, plus local maker spaces when in larger cities
Where does the Persona go for expert advice and/or to get questions answered?	Reddit (r/solotravel, r/digitalnomad), Tourmate's local expert features, and small Discord groups focused on slow travel and alternative living
<u>Day in the Life (describe a day in the life of the end user and what is going on in her head):</u>	
What are the typical tasks the Persona does each day with the amount of time associated with each?	Morning routine, journaling, Tourmate exploration: 1.5 hours Client work and project delivery: 2 hours Midday local exploration or hiking: 2 hours Creative work and online learning: 2 hours Social interactions, cultural events, and meals: 3 hours Evening wind-down: 1.5 hours
Which of these typical tasks are habits?	Morning journaling, checking Tourmate for local experiences, walking or hiking daily, evening digital detox
Which require the most effort?	Delivering client work under deadlines, managing online communications in different time zones
Which does the Persona enjoy?	Exploring new locations, cultural immersion, creative sketching and journaling, connecting with locals
Which does the Persona not enjoy?	Technical troubleshooting, digital admin work, managing difficulties while traveling
What makes it a good day for the Persona?	Discovering a hidden local gem, completing meaningful work, making a genuine connection, seeing progress in a personal project
What makes it a bad day?	Connectivity issues, over-touristy areas, lack of inspiration, unexpected interruptions

Who is the Persona trying to please the most?	Himself first—seeking fulfillment and alignment with his values; secondarily, his clients and the local communities he interacts with
What is the top priority of the person/people the Persona is trying to please?	Quality, trust, authenticity, and meaningful outcomes
Priorities:	
Priorities (what are your Persona’s priorities – focus first on biggest fears, then biggest motivations – and assign a weighting to each so that it adds up to 100)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Living authentically and in harmony with his values Weighting: 30%2. Exploring the world through slow, meaningful travel Weighting: 25%3. Balancing remote work with personal freedom and wellness Weighting: 20%4. Connecting with local cultures and supporting communities Weighting: 15%5. Continuous learning and creative expression Weighting: 10%
	Now, revisit the General Information Worksheet and update as needed, especially for items 3, 4, 6, and 7.

NOTE: Persona Profiles for Multisided End User Market Requires All Sides

Step 6 (Full Life Cycle) Worksheet

Sketch of How the End User Currently Solves Their Problem (or Doesn't)

Nikos Georgiou, like many digital nomads and eco-conscious travelers, currently relies on a mix of online research, word-of-mouth, and trial-and-error to find authentic, off-the-beaten-path experiences while traveling.

1. Determining the Need & Catalyst for Action

Nikos seeks meaningful local experiences that align with his values: slow travel, cultural immersion, and sustainability. The catalyst could be planning for an upcoming trip, realizing a lack of reliable recommendations, or a disappointing experience with mass-market travel guides.

2. Finding Out About His Options

Searches online using for example Reddit (r/solotravel, r/digitalnomad), Telegram groups, and niche travel blogs. Asks for recommendations in Nomad List, Couchsurfing, and Discord communities and relies on trial-and-error or local conversations after arrival.

3. Analyzing His Options

Compares experiences based on authenticity, sustainability, cost, and uniqueness. He reads reviews, asks in forums, and looks for local expert recommendations.

4. Acquiring the Experience or Service

Directly books through local tour operators, Airbnb Experiences, or boutique travel agencies. Sometimes makes last-minute decisions based on recommendations from hosts or other travelers.

5. Payment Process

Uses credit cards, PayPal, Revolut, or Wise for payments. Prefers cash-free transactions but is sometimes forced to use cash for small local businesses.

6. Installation or Setup

Downloads apps like Waze. Also, saves addresses, offline guides, or custom Google Maps itineraries.

7. Using & Getting Value

Engages in the experience, looking for personal connection and local authenticity. Captures moments via sketching, journaling, or photography. Reflects on the experience, sometimes blogging or sharing insights.

8. Determining Value Gained

Measures value based on emotional fulfillment, cultural depth, and learning. Rates experiences based on uniqueness, ease of access, and cost-effectiveness.

9. Buying More Experiences

If a previous experience was great, seeks similar recommendations from the same source. Engages with loyalty programs, referral discounts, or community-driven platforms.

10. Telling Others About It

Shares experiences in Nomad List, travel Telegram groups, and Reddit discussions. Posts on social media (Instagram Stories, Threads, niche Facebook groups, or blogs). Gives direct referrals to fellow travelers he meets on the road.

Full Life Cycle Use Case Worksheet << NOTE TO TYPESETTER: MAKE THIS LANDSCAPE / FULL PAGE >>										
Stage #	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>
Action	<i>How do they determine need & what is their catalyst to take action?</i>	<i>How do they find out about their options?</i>	<i>How do they analyze their options?</i>	<i>How do they acquire your product?</i>	<i>How do they pay for your product?</i>	<i>How do they install or set up your product?</i>	<i>How do they use and get value out of your product?</i>	<i>How do they determine the value they gain from your product?</i>	<i>How do they buy more of your product?</i>	<i>How do they tell others about your product?</i>
Who is involved	Nikos, online communities, travel influencers	Nikos, local travel groups, niche apps	Nikos, review platforms, digital nomad forums	Nikos, local tour operators, travel apps	Nikos, digital payment providers	Nikos, app providers, tour operators	Nikos, local guides, community hosts	Nikos, travel forums, personal journaling	Nikos, repeat businesses, referral programs	Nikos, online travel communities, social media
When	Before or during trip planning	During research phase or arrival	Before purchase	Last-minute or pre-planned	Online before experience or on-site	Before the experience	During experience	After experience	After a great experience	After the experience
Where	At home, in coworking spaces, or on the road	Online (Reddit, Nomad List, Telegram, Discord)	Online and local sources	Online (Airbnb, Tourmate) or in person	Online (PayPal, Revolut) or in-person cash	Mobile apps, Google Maps, saved recommendations	In the experience location	Personal reflections, online reviews	Repeat locations or new recommendations	Online forums, blogs, direct conversations
How	Identifies personal needs (authenticity, cultural depth)	Uses niche platforms and word-of-mouth	Reviews social proof, evaluates costs, checks sustainability	Books directly or through trusted travel networks	Digital payment, sometimes forced to use cash	Saves recommendations, preloads maps and details	Engages fully, documents with sketches/journals	Reflects on personal and social impact	Looks for similar offerings or incentives	Writes about it, shares in forums or travel groups
Misc.	Relies heavily on community validation	Prefers independent sources over commercials	Skeptical of tourist traps	Prefers direct engagement with locals	Cash-free preferred but adapts if needed	Technology-driven but minimalist	Experience-driven, not just transaction-focused	Emotionally and intellectually assesses	Repeat user if strong emotional connection	Willing to advocate for meaningful experiences

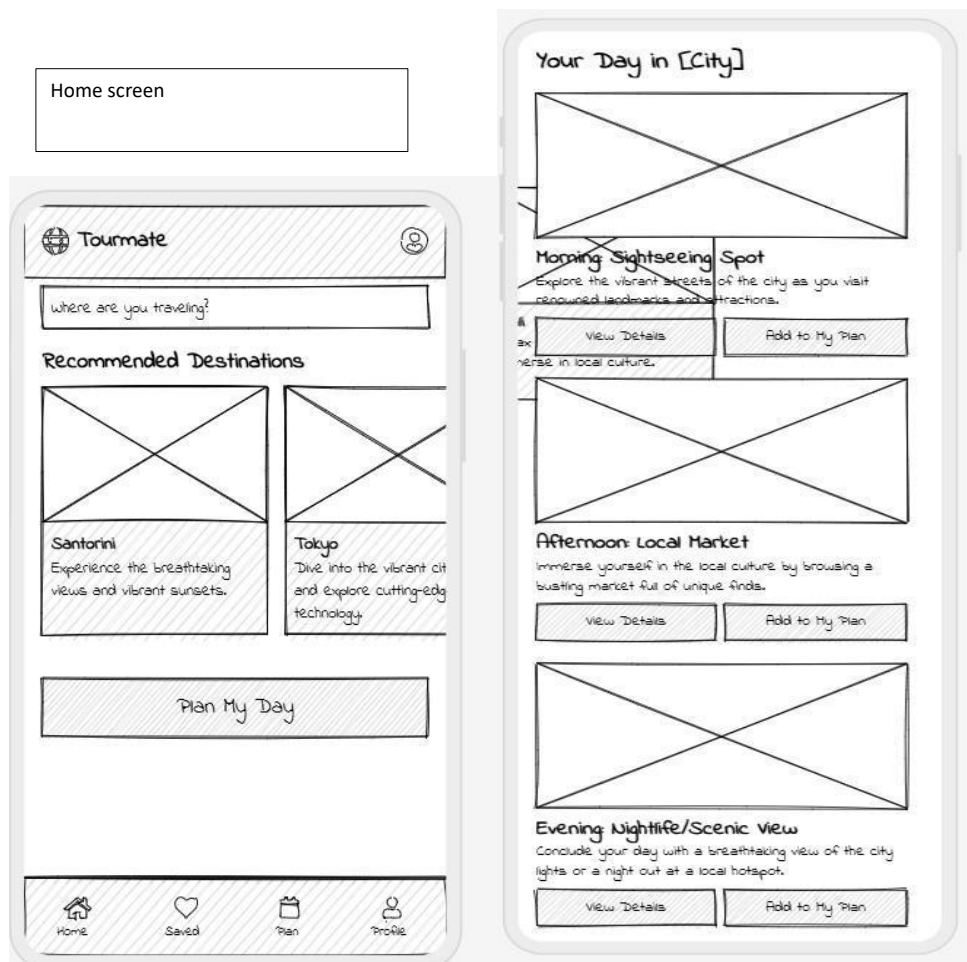
Sketch of How End User Will Use Your Product

1. Nikos opens Tourmate to check local insights before arriving.
2. Filters experiences based on authenticity, sustainability, and personal interests.
3. Saves experiences for offline access & bookmarks user-generated local insights.
4. Connects with like-minded locals or travelers to share an experience.
5. Pays seamlessly using preferred digital wallets.
6. Uses in-app navigation, real-time tips, and cultural context.
7. Reflects on the experience by journaling or sketching, then rates the experience.
8. Engages in loyalty programs, discounts, and referral incentives for future travel.
9. Shares insights in travel communities, growing the platform's credibility.

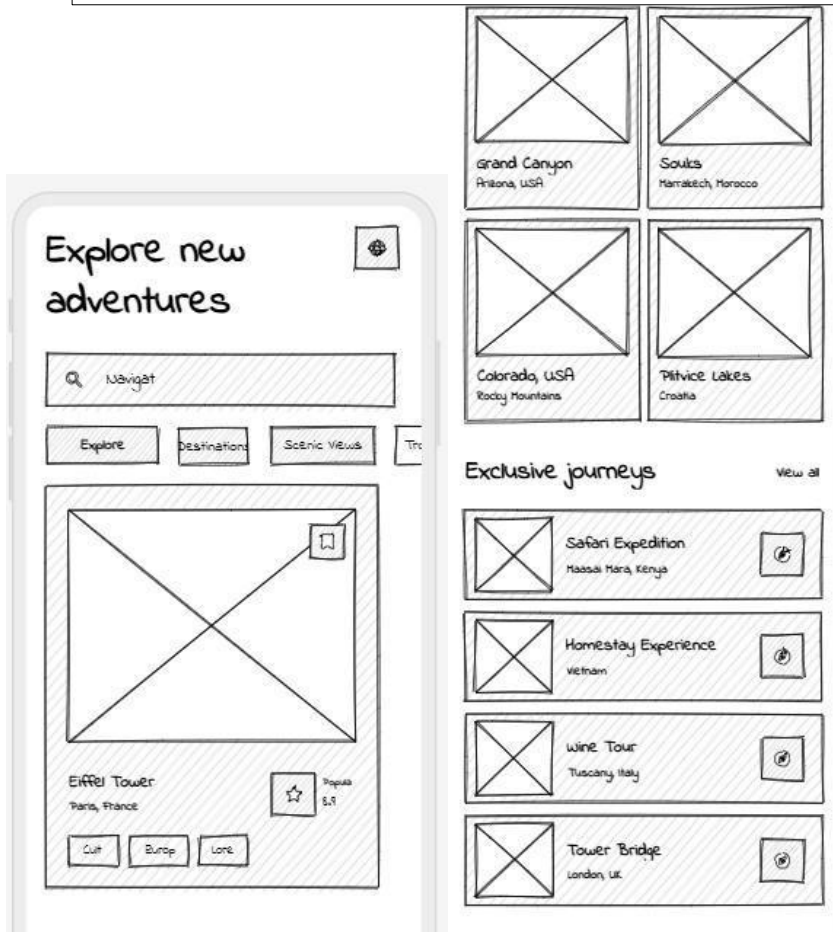
Reflection on Full Life Cycle Use Case

1. Looking at these worksheets now, where do you see the gaps in your understanding?
Adoption Barrier Concerns: Will Nikos trust Tourmate over his existing methods (Reddit, Telegram)?
Monetization Challenge: What pricing model ensures sustainability while maintaining accessibility?
User Retention & Engagement: How do we encourage repeat usage instead of one-time exploration?
2. How do you intend to fill those knowledge gaps?
Conduct direct user interviews with digital nomads to validate adoption concerns.
Run A/B tests on pricing models (freemium vs. subscription vs. pay-per-experience).
Develop gamification & community engagement features to drive repeat usage.
3. Which stages of the Full Life Cycle Use Case are you most concerned about as posing risks to the adoption of a new solution?
Stage 3 (Analyzing Options): If Tourmate doesn't immediately stand out against trusted sources, users may ignore it.
Stage 5 (Payment Process): If users hesitate to pay upfront for recommendations, monetization will be difficult.
Stage 10 (Referral & Word-of-Mouth): If users don't actively promote the platform, growth may be slower.

You have completed your first draft of the Full Life Cycle Use Case! You are probably at least a bit uncomfortable with some aspects of it, and that's understandable; plan to circle back to it as you complete additional steps and gain more understanding. But let's keep moving forward and start to define what your product would be within this overall context.



Recommendations and day plan screen



Upgrade to Premium

Experience Premium Benefits



24/7 Local Expert Chat

Get advice from professional guides around the clock.



Custom Itinerary Creation

Tailor your travel plans with ease.

Offline Access

Access maps and guides without internet.



Exclusive Deals

Enjoy discounts and offers exclusive to Premium members.

Free vs. Premium

Feature	Free	Premium
Guide Access	Limited	24/7
Itinerary Creation	Basic	Custom
Offline Access	No	Yes
Deals	No	Exclusive

Subscribe Now

Premium guide screen

Product Alignment with Persona

	<u>How will you deliver a new level of value with respect to this priority?</u>	<u>What features address this priority?</u>	<u>What functions address this priority?</u>	<u>What benefits address this priority?</u>
<u>Persona’s #1 Priority:</u> <u>Instant , Reliable travel recommendations</u>	<u>By providing real-time, localized travel insights powered by an ai chatbot and data harvesting</u>	<u>A dynamic search bar with live suggestions and personalized itinerary cards</u>	<u>Location tracking, real time updates and an AI recommendations engine</u>	<u>Faster decision making enhanced travel planning and increased travel confidence</u>
<u>Persona’s #2 Priority:Seamless integration and personalization</u>	<u>Through a fully integrated app that syncs with social media and other travel tools offering customizable travel itineraries</u>	<u>A customizable plan builder, social media sharing options and seamless integration with calendars</u>	<u>Data synchronization adaptive itinerary planning and personalized notifications</u>	<u>A tailored travel experience that adapts to the users preferences and lifestyle offering convenience and personalization</u>
<u>Persona’s #3 Priority: Premium Travel Experience with exclusive Benefits</u>	<u>By offering premium services like access to professional local guides, offline maps and exclusive partner deals</u>	<u>The premium upgrade screen featuring a direct chat with local experts offline functionality and exclusive offers</u>	<u>24/7 professional guidance chat, offline content access and curated premium content</u>	<u>An elevated travel experience with added value, improved convenience and access to high quality exclusive travel information</u>

Ready for Action?

a. Is the high-level product specification ready to review with your Persona? (circle one) Yes No
Yes

b. Have you done so? What feedback did the Persona provide?

Preliminary reviews indicated that clear separation between free and premium features is appreciated and users suggested a more prominent display of premium benefits along with a simplified subscription process

c. Have you iterated based on the Persona’s feedback at least once? What changes did you make as a response to the Persona’s feedback? (Hopefully you will iterate with the Persona more than once.)
Yes, we refined the UI to make the premium upgrade button more visible and streamlined the plan generation process to make navigation more intuitive

- d. Has the Persona concluded that the high-level product specification is interesting and satisfies the Persona's priorities?
(circle one) Yes No
YES

ADVANCED TOPICS: HIGH LEVEL PRODUCT BROCHURE

Once you have iterated on your high-level product specification, you may want to build a trifold brochure that more clearly outlines the benefits your product provides. Some people will wait to make a brochure until they have iterated

the specification with other customers in Step 9, Identify Your Next 10 Customers, but others find a brochure useful at this stage.

A good brochure should have the following items:

- ☐ First draft of company name and tag line
- ☐ Name of product and tag line
- ☐ Picture of product so it is clear what it is
- ☐ Clearly identified benefits aligned with the Persona's #1 priority (don't be subtle – it should come out in the tag lines and even names of your product)
- ☐ Two additional benefits (if appropriate) that don't dilute the impact of the first benefit
- ☐ Provide a sense of the magnitude of the benefit to be expected by the end user
- ☐ Provide a sense of the value the customer will gain from your product – use your work from the Step 6 Full Life Cycle Use Case
- ☐ Some other information might be relevant, but always be diligent about not diluting your main message – if you say too much, you say nothing in particular
- ☐ Have a clear call to action
- ☐ Everything should be fully aligned with the customer's priorities and will resonate with them in all elements (e.g. names, taglines, pictures, benefits emphasized, fonts, colors, word choice, language, references, call to action, etc.)

There are great individuals and agencies you can hire to design brochures, and you're not expected to become an expert in design. But you want to think through the content and make sure it is compelling and addresses the Persona's priorities. That way, if you choose to delegate or outsource the design, you can give them good direction and not settle for an inferior brochure.

Ultimately, the brochure is the most commonly and widely given elevator pitch about your product because it can be done when you are not in the room and even when you are sleeping. It make consistent messaging possible and scalable, so don't just down play it as "marketing hype." It really matters.

You also have to back it up with a great product, but that is coming. First, you have to make sure you are building the right product for your customer, and this process really helps to communicate that to all sides.

Quantified Value Proposition

“As Is” State

Result in “As Is” =
Time Wasted: Spends 10+ hours per week researching local insights, finding Wi-Fi spots, and managing logistics.
Frustrations: Struggles with inaccurate travel info, unreliable offline maps, and limited community connections.
Social & Cultural Immersion: 2 meaningful interactions per week.
Work-Life Balance: Disruptions in focus due to inconsistent workspace options and time zone challenges.

#1 Priority of Persona = Core Motivations and Travel Habits

Results in “Possible” =
Time Saved: Reduces research time by 70% using AI-powered insights.
Navigation & Connectivity: Uses offline Tourmate maps, reducing lost time by 50%.
Cultural Immersion: 5+ meaningful social interactions per week via Tourmate’s community feature.
Work Efficiency: Finds recommended co-working spots, improving productivity by 20%.

Summary of Benefits
More Free Time for Exploration
Enhanced Social Connections
Better Navigation & Local Insights
Work-Life Balance Improvement

Reason for Benefits
AI-driven recommendations minimize planning time.
Offline maps and local guides improve accessibility.
Smart workspace suggestions ensure efficiency.

“Possible” State

Quantified Value Proposition

“As Is” State

Component 1 = Local Exploration	Component 2 = Navigation & Connectivity	Component 3 = Social & Cultural Immersion	Component 4 = Work-Life Balance	Component 5 = Travel Logistics & Planning	
Task Completed = Finds recommendations via blogs, social media, and word of mouth.	Task Completed = Uses Google Maps and offline apps for directions but struggles with accuracy.	Task Completed = Connects with locals through Couchsurfing meetups, small events, and chance encounters.	Task Completed = Manages freelance work remotely but struggles with scheduling and finding quiet workspaces.	Task Completed = Books accommodations and transport manually via multiple websites.	Total Units = Research and planning inefficiencies lead to 10+ hours per week lost in travel friction.
Units = 2-3 hours spent researching locations per trip.	Units = 30 minutes lost daily due to navigation issues.	Units = 2 meaningful social interactions per week.	Units = 3 hours daily of productive work, but frequent disruptions.	Units = 4 hours spent per week on logistics.	
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Units = Research time cut by 70%, saving ~2 hours per trip.	Units = Navigation time optimized, reducing lost time by 50%.	Units = 5+ meaningful social interactions per week.	Units = 20% increase in focused work hours.	Units = 50% reduction in time spent booking logistics.	Total Units = Overall, Nikos saves 6+ hours per week, leading to a 40% efficiency boost in travel experiences and higher satisfaction in work-life balance.
Task Completed = Instantly accesses curated local experiences with real-time insights from Tourmate.	Task Completed = Uses Tourmate’s integrated offline maps and AI-driven recommendations.	Task Completed = Engages in verified cultural events and niche traveler communities via Tourmate.	Task Completed = Uses Tourmate’s smart workspace suggestions and digital nomad hubs.	Task Completed = Streamlines trip planning with AI-driven itinerary suggestions.	Summary of Benefits More Free Time for Exploration Enhanced Social Connections Better Navigation & Local Insights Work-Life Balance Improvement
Improvements = 70%	Improvements = 50%	Improvements = 150%	Improvements = 20%	Improvements = 50%	Reason for Benefits AI-driven recommendations minimize planning time. Offline maps and local guides improve accessibility. Smart workspace suggestions ensure efficiency.

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