# Binding to a Collection



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### Overview



Binding the ListView to a collection

Templating the ListView



## Binding the ListView to a Collection



#### The ListView

Display list of data

Works with data binding

Cells

Same type per row



```
<ListView

VerticalOptions="FillAndExpand"
    x:Name="PiesListView"

CachingStrategy="RecycleElement" >
</ListView>
```

The ListView Control



#### The ItemsSource

**ItemsSource** 

List<string>

"Cheese cake",
"Cherry pie",
"Apple pie",
"Peach pie",

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Cheese cake

Cherry pie

Apple pie

Peach pie

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### Binding via XAML

```
<ListView x:Name="PiesListView">
   <ListView.ItemsSource>
        <x:Array Type="{x:Type x:String}">
            <x:String>Apple Pie</x:String>
            <x:String>Strawberry Cheese Cake</x:String>
            <x:String>Strawberry Pie</x:String>
   </x:Array>
</ListView.ItemsSource>
```



Setting ItemsSource in Code



## Demo



Binding to a collection



#### The ItemsSource

List<string>

Cheese cake

Cherry pie

Apple pie

Peach pie

"Cherry pie",
"Apple pie",
"Apple pie",

"Peach pie"

"Strawberry pie"



#### The ObservableCollection



ObservableCollection<string>

"Cheese cake",
"Cherry pie",
"Apple pie",
"Peach pie"
"Strawberry pie"

Cheese cake

Cherry pie

Apple pie

Peach pie

. . .

Strawberry pie



## Demo



Working with ObservableCollection<T>



## Templating the ListView



#### Default Behavior



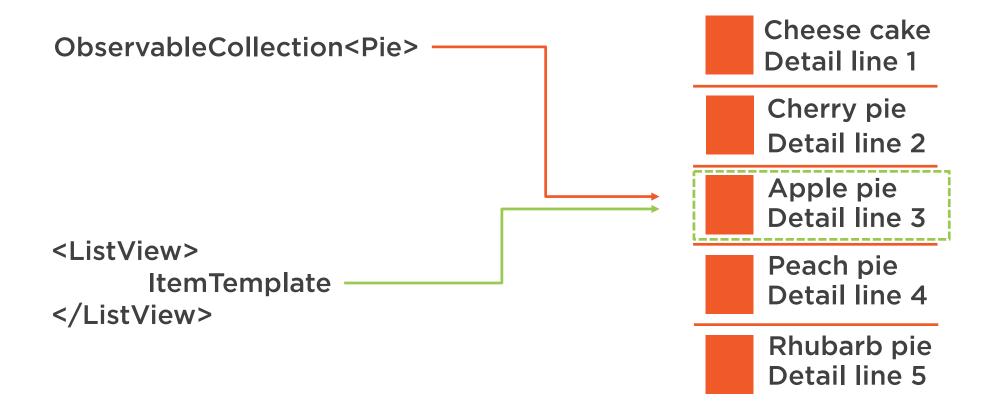


List<string>

List<Pie>



## Templating





## Cell Templates

Built-in cell templates

TextCell

ImageCell

**Custom cell** 



## Using the Default Cell Templates





**TextCell** 

**ImageCell** 



## Using an Item Template

```
<ListView>
   <ListView.ItemTemplate>
      <DataTemplate>
         <TextCell><
      </DataTemplate>
   </ListView.ItemTemplate>
</ListView>
```



## Data Binding within the Cell Template

```
<ListView.ItemTemplate>
   <DataTemplate>
      <TextCell
         Text="{Binding PieName}"
         Detail="{Binding Price}">
      </TextCell>
   </DataTemplate>
</ListView.ItemTemplate>
```



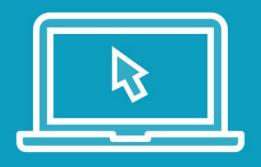
```
<ListView VerticalOptions="FillAndExpand"

SelectedItem="{Binding SelectedPie, Mode=TwoWay}">
```

Binding the SelectedItem



#### Demo



#### Bind to objects

#### **Templating**

- TextCell
- ImageCell

Setting the SelectedItem via Binding

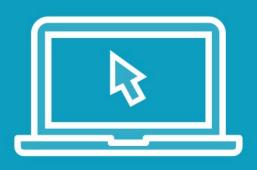


## Creating a Custom ItemTemplate

```
<ListView>
    <ListView.ItemTemplate>
        <DataTemplate>
            <ViewCell>
                <StackLayout>
                    <Label Text="{Binding PieName}" Margin="3" ></Label>
                </StackLayout>
            </ViewCell>
        </DataTemplate>
    </ListView.ItemTemplate>
</ListView>
```

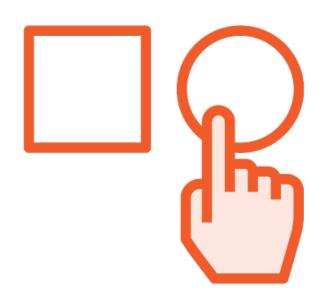


#### Demo



Working with a custom cell template Reusing the template across views





#### Data not always the same

#### DataTemplateSelector can be used

- Select template based on value



## Creating a DataTemplateSelector

```
public class PieTemplateSelector : DataTemplateSelector
    protected override DataTemplate OnSelectTemplate
      (object item, BindableObject container)
        return ((Pie)item).InPromotion ?
         PromoPieTemplate : RegularPieTemplate;
```



```
<ListView

ItemTemplate="{StaticResource localPieTemplateSelector}"
>
</ListView>
```

Applying the DataTemplateSelector



## Demo



Creating and using a DataTemplateSelector



## Summary



ListView is perfect fit for data binding
Cell templates allow for extensibility





### Up next:

Advanced topics around data binding

