# Unstyled React Menu components and hooks

## Unstyled menu

The menu components provide your users with a list of options on temporary surfaces.

### MenuUnstyled and MenuItemUnstyled components

```
import MenuUnstyled from '@mui/base/MenuUnstyled';
import MenuItemUnstyled from '@mui/base/MenuItemUnstyled';
```

You can use the MenuUnstyled component to create custom menus. It renders a list of items in a popup that users can navigate through with a mouse or keyboard.

When not customized, the MenuUnstyled component renders a plain 
 element.

#### Basic usage

```
{{"demo": "MenuSimple.js"}}
```

#### Wrapping MenuItems

MenuItemUnstyled components don't have to be direct chilrden of a MenuUnstyled component. You can wrap them in any component needed to achieve the desired appearance.

In addition to MenuItemUnstyled components, the MenuUnstyled component can also contain non-interactive children, such as help text.

```
{{"demo": "WrappedMenuItems.js"}}
```

#### Customization

**Slots** MenuUnstyled has two slots:

• Root - represents the popup container the menu is placed in; set to PopperUnstyled by default. Can be customized by setting the component or components.Root props.

The MenuItemUnstyled component has one slot: the root, which renders an element by default. Just like MenuUnstyled, it can be customized by setting the component or components. Root props.

#### CSS classes MenuUnstyled can set the following class:

• Mui-expanded - set when the menu is open; this class is set on both Root and Popper slots

MenuItemUnstyled can set the following classes:

- Mui-disabled set when the MenuItem has the disabled prop
- Mui-focusVisible set when the MenuItem is highlighted via keyboard navigation. This is a polyfill for the native :focus-visible pseudoclass as it's not available in Safari.

#### The useMenu and useMenuItem hooks

```
import { useMenu } from '@mui/base/MenuUnstyled';
import { useMenuItem } from '@mui/base/MenuItemUnstyled';
```

You can use the useMenu and useMenuItem hooks to apply the functionality of the unstyled menu components to a different component. These hooks gives you the most customization options, but require more work to implement. Using the hooks allows you to take full control over the rendered components, their props and CSS classes.

```
{{"demo": "UseMenu.js"}}
```

Unstyled components and their corresponding hooks work interchangeably with one another—for example, you can create a MenuUnstyled component that contains menu items built with the useMenuItem hook.