

Day 5 - TESTING, ERROR HANDLING, AND BACKEND INTEGRATION REFINEMENT

On Day 5, the focus was on testing, optimizing, and refining the marketplace to ensure smooth deployment. Key tasks included:

- **Testing Backend Integrations:** Ensuring all third-party services like Stripe and Sanity are properly connected and functioning.
- **Error Handling Implementation:** Adding meaningful error messages for failed payments, inventory issues, and API failures.
- **Performance Optimization:** Implementing lazy loading for images, optimizing database queries, and improving overall page load times.
- **User Experience Refinement:** Enhancing navigation, improving the checkout flow, and ensuring responsiveness for a seamless mobile experience.

With these improvements, CottonCloud is now **stable** and ready for real-world use. The next steps include final checks and deployment.

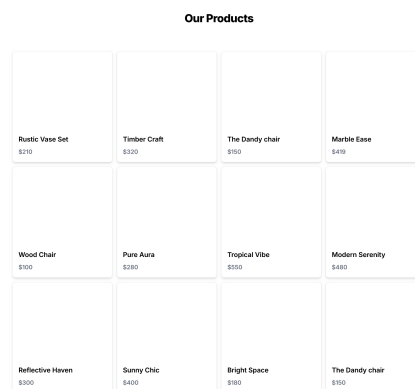
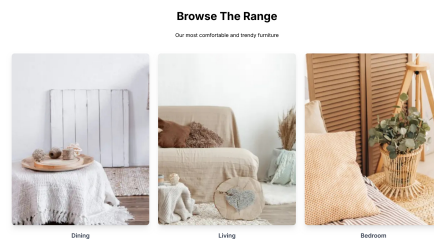
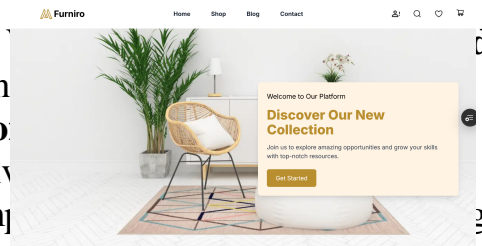
Key Areas of Focus

1. Functional Testing

- Ensured all marketplace features (product listing, cart, checkout) work as intended.
- Tested core functionalities, including:
 - Product listing and detail page rendering
 - Cart operations and checkout flow
 - User profile management and authentication

Error Handling

- Implemented clear error messages for:
 - Network failures.
 - Invalid or missing data.
 - Unexpected server errors
- Added fallback UI elements like placeholder images when data is returned from the API.
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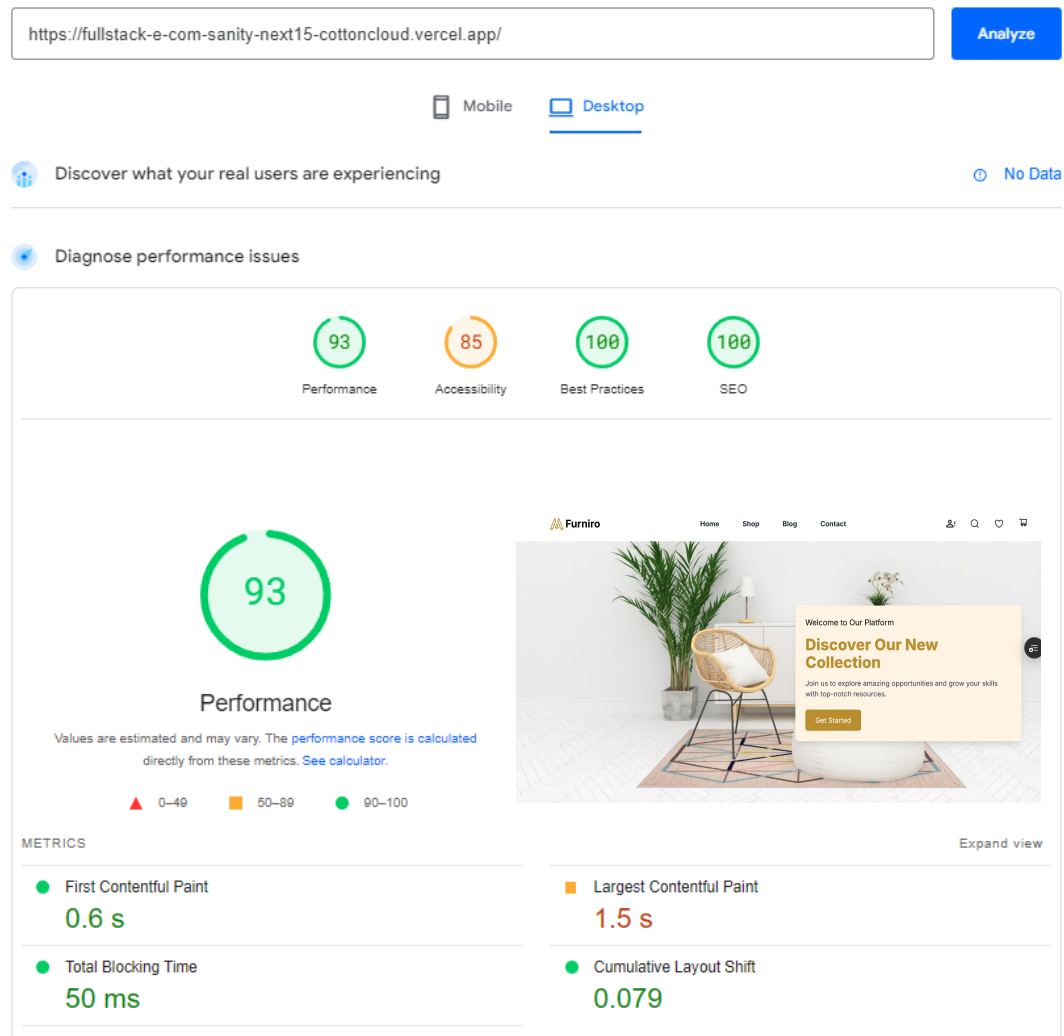


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Performance Testing

- Conducted performance testing using **Google PageSpeed**.

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- Identified bottlenecks and optimized key areas, including:
 - Image Optimization:** Compressed and resized images for faster loading.
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Cross-Browser and Device Testing

- Tested the marketplace on **Chrome, Firefox, Safari, and Edge** to ensure compatibility.
- Verified responsiveness across **desktop, tablet, and mobile** devices.

- Used **BrowserStack** and **LambdaTest** for accurate cross-device testing.
- Ensured a seamless user experience across all screen sizes.

Security Testing

- Implemented **input validation** to prevent injection attacks.
- Ensured all communication is over **HTTPS** for security.
- Verified that **API keys are not exposed** in the frontend code.

User Acceptance Testing (UAT)

- Simulated real-world user interactions to ensure a smooth experience.
- Verified that browsing, searching, and checkout workflows are **intuitive and error-free**.

Documentation Updates

- Recorded testing results, fixes, and best practices.
- Summarized key findings and resolutions in **detailed test reports**.
- Ensured reports follow **market standards** with a structured format.
- Maintained consistency in headings and subheadings.
- Added a **table of contents** for easy navigation.