

Development Blueprint for Phase 1.



Phase 1: Strategic Planning & Architecture

1. UX Strategy: The "Cultural Funnel"

Since we are selling culture (Magazines, Events), the standard "Grid of Products" will fail. We need a narrative-driven flow that sells the *experience* first, then the product.

A. Homepage Layout (Sales Funnel Structure)

Instead of a generic store, we treat the homepage as a Landing Page for the brand's current "Season" or "Issue."

1. Hero Section (The Hook):

- *Content*: Full-screen cinematic video or high-res imagery of the latest Magazine Issue or Event atmosphere.
- *Action*: "Read Latest Issue" or "Book Next Experience."
- *Vibe*: Overlay text using a large, elegant Arabic serif font (e.g., *SST Arabic* or *IBM Plex Sans Arabic*) paired with a minimal English sans-serif.

2. The "Featured Issue" Spotlight (Physical):

- *Layout*: Split screen (50/50). Left side: 3D-style book mockups of the magazine. Right side: The "Why" (Editor's Note snippet) + "Get Ship to Home" button.

3. The "Cultural Calendar" (Events):

- *Layout*: A horizontal scrolling timeline (GSAP driven). Instead of product cards, they look like "Tickets" or "Passports."
- *Data*: Dynamic countdown timers for upcoming events.

4. The "Digital Archive" (PDFs):

- *Layout*: Masonry grid, minimalist. Focus on "Instant Access." Visuals should be abstract covers, not just generic PDF icons.

5. Social Proof (The Tribe):

- *Concept*: "Who is reading?" – User-generated content (UGC) carousel showing people holding the magazine or attending events, framed in a specific Sadu-inspired border.

B. The "Saudi Touch" (Design System)

- **Motifs:** Use *Al-Sadu* patterns, but **deconstructed**. Instead of a full heavy strip, use the geometric triangle shapes as subtle SVG dividers between sections, or as a watermark with 5% opacity behind the product description.
 - **Colors:**
 - **Primary:** Deep Najdi Clay (Terracotta) or Tuwaiq Mountain Blue (Dark Navy).
 - **Secondary:** Sand/Beige (for backgrounds to reduce eye strain).
 - **Accent:** Gold Foil (used sparingly on CTA buttons only).
 - **Micro-Interactions:** When hovering over a "Book Seat" button, the icon changes from a standard arrow to a stylized "Dallah" or specific cultural icon.
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2. Technical Logic (The Twilight Challenge)

Salla's Twilight engine is powerful but strict. To handle Physical, Service (Events), and Digital products seamlessly without cluttering one file, we will use a **Component-Based Architecture**.

A. Directory Structure Strategy

We will avoid writing 500 lines of `if/else` logic inside `single.twig`. Instead, we will break the views into smaller, manageable partials.

Proposed File Structure:

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  └── views/
    ├── pages/
    │   └── product/
    │       └── single.twig      <-- The Controller / Skeleton
    └── components/
        └── product/
            ├── layout-physical.twig <-- For Magazines
            ├── layout-service.twig  <-- For Events
            └── layout-digital.twig  <-- For PDFs
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B. The Logic Flow (Variable Detection)

In Salla, the `product` object exposes a `type` property. We will use this to dynamically route the user to the correct layout.

Logic Plan for `single.twig`:

1. **Check `product.type`:**
 - If `product` (standard) → Load `layout-physical.twig`.
 - If `service` → Load `layout-service.twig`.
 - If `digital` or `codes` → Load `layout-digital.twig`.
2. **Fallback:**
 - If the type is unknown, default to `layout-physical`.

C. Custom Fields vs. Native Features

- **Events (Maps & Dates):** Since Salla treats services generically, we will utilize **Custom Fields** (defined in `salla-theme.json` or the dashboard) to pass the "Event Location Link" and "Event Date."
- **Magazines (Previews):** We will use the "Product Gallery" but style the first image as a 3D cover and the subsequent images as a "Look inside" slider.

Phase 2: Implementation Roadmap. We are moving from strategy to the actual Twig architecture that supports your diverse product catalog.

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    </div>

    {% 🧠 The Logic Router %}
    {% if product.type == 'service' or product.type == 'booking' %}
        {% # Case B: Events %}
        {% include 'views.components.product.layout-service' %}

    {% elseif product.type == 'digital' or product.type == 'codes' %}
        {% # Case C: Digital PDFs %}
        {% include 'views.components.product.layout-digital' %}

    {% else %}
        {% # Case A: Default to Physical (Magazines) %}
        {% include 'views.components.product.layout-physical' %}
    {% endif %}

    {% # Common Section: Upsell / Related Products %}
    <div class="mt-20 border-t border-sand-200 pt-10">
        <h3 class="font-serif text-2xl text-center mb-8">Discover More Culture</h3>
        <salla-products-list source="related" limit="4"></salla-products-list>
    </div>
</div>
{% endblock %}
```

4. Coding Task: The "Smart Views"

Type A: The Magazine Layout (Physical)

Goal: Focus on the tangible object, the "Issue Number," and shipping.

File: `src/views/components/product/layout-physical.twig`

Twig

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<div class="grid grid-cols-1 md:grid-cols-2 gap-12 items-center min-h-[60vh]">
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  <div class="product-gallery relative group">
    <div class="aspect-[3/4] bg-sand-100 rounded-lg shadow-2xl transform rotate-1 transition-transform group-hover:rotate-0">
      
    </div>
    {# Badge #}
    <span class="absolute -top-4 -left-4 bg-najdi-clay text-white px-4 py-1 font-serif text-sm shadow-md">
      New Issue
    </span>
  </div>

  {# Right: Story & Shipping #}
  <div class="product-details space-y-6 data-aos="fade-up">
    <h1 class="text-4xl font-serif text-gray-900 leading-tight">{{ product.name }}</h1>
    <div class="prose text-gray-600 border-l-4 border-sand-300 pl-4">
      {{ product.description|raw }}
    </div>

    {# The CTA #}
    <div class="action-area bg-white p-6 rounded-xl shadow-sm border border-gray-100">
      <div class="flex items-center justify-between mb-4">
        <span class="text-2xl font-bold text-najdi-clay">{{ product.price|money }}</span>
        <span class="text-xs text-gray-500 flex items-center gap-1">
          <i class="sicon-shipping"></i> Ships within 24h
        </span>
      </div>
      <salla-add-product-button product-id="{{ product.id }}" class="w-full btn btn-primary btn-lg">
        Add to Library (Ship to Home)
      </salla-add-product-button>
    </div>
  </div>
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        </salla-add-product-button>
    </div>
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Type B: The Event Layout (Service)

Goal: Hide shipping. Emphasize "Date," "Location," and "Booking." *Note: We assume you are using Product Custom Fields for Date/Location data.*

File: `src/views/components/product/layout-service.twig`

Twig

```
<div class="event-layout bg-gray-900 text-white rounded-2xl overflow-hidden shadow-2xl">
```

```

{# Hero Banner #}
<div class="relative h-80 md:h-96">
    
    <div class="absolute inset-0 bg-gradient-to-t from-gray-900 via-transparent to-transparent"></div>

    <div class="absolute bottom-0 left-0 p-8 w-full">
        <div class="flex flex-col md:flex-row justify-between items-end">
            <div>
                <span class="bg-gold text-gray-900 px-3 py-1 text-xs font-bold uppercase tracking-widest mb-2 inline-block">Cultural Event</span>
                <h1 class="text-3xl md:text-5xl font-serif mb-2">{{ product.name }}</h1>
            </div>
            {# Timer Placeholder #}
            <div class="countdown-timer text-right">
                <p class="text-sm text-gray-400 mb-1">Starts In:</p>
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        <span class="text-gray-300 text-sm">Date</span>
        <p class="font-bold text-lg">Oct 15, 2025</p> {# Dynamic data goes here #}
    </div>
    <div class="p-6 text-center">
        <i class="sicon-map text-gold text-2xl mb-2 block"></i>
        <span class="text-gray-300 text-sm">Location</span>
        <p class="font-bold text-lg">New York City</p> {# Dynamic data goes here #}
    </div>
    <div class="p-6 text-center">
        <i class="sicon-clock text-gold text-2xl mb-2 block"></i>
        <span class="text-gray-300 text-sm">Booking</span>
        <p class="font-bold text-lg">Book Now</p> {# Dynamic data goes here #}
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Type C: The Digital Layout (PDF)

Goal: Minimal friction. "Instant Download" focus.

File: `src/views/components/product/layout-digital.twig`

Twig

```

<div class="max-w-4xl mx-auto pt-10">
  <div class="bg-sand-50 rounded-xl p-8 border border-sand-200 flex flex-col md:flex-row gap-8 items-center">

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    {# Content #}
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      <p class="text-gray-500 text-sm mb-4">{{ product.subtitle|default('Digital Edition • PDF High Resolution') }}</p>

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{# Action #}
<div class="w-full md:w-auto">
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Immediate Next Step

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generate the `tailwind.config.js` or SCSS file to define these "Saudi Palette" colors and fonts