RecipeQuest

Description

As the person responsible for "What's for dinner?", I get tired of the same go to recipes and just want something different to eat.

RecipeQuest is a simple, straight forward web application to search a database of recipes from around the world.



Features

- Builds a search page containing a list of categories and a list of countrys of origin that can be selected to search for recipes. Allow the user to enter a search ingredient when searching all available recipes.
- The result page for any search will display a list of recipes by showing its picture and recipe name. Select a picture to view the recipe.
- A logged in user may save recipes for future use. Search and delete functions are also available.



Planning - User Stories

- Anyone can use this site to quickly search for new and interesting recipes by category, country of origin or by ingredient.
- Logged in users can search and maintain a collection of recipes they have selectively saved.



Planning - Database

MySql database tables:

- Microsoft.AspNetCore.Identity tables- used to register, login and logout users. Also used to restrict access to My Favorites and add the userId to saved recipes.
- Recipes table- contains recipe details, category, country of origin, and userId.



Technology Stack

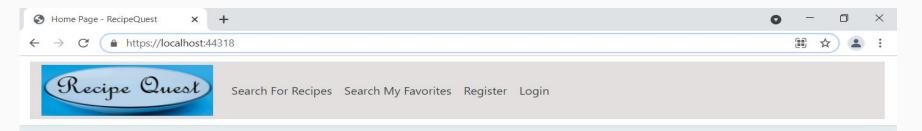
- Language: C#
- Frameworks: Asp.Net Core MVC, Entity Framework Core
- Visual Studio 2019
- MySql database
- BootStrap



Demo



Home Page



Your quest begins



Banana Pancakes

with recipes from around the world

Let's get started

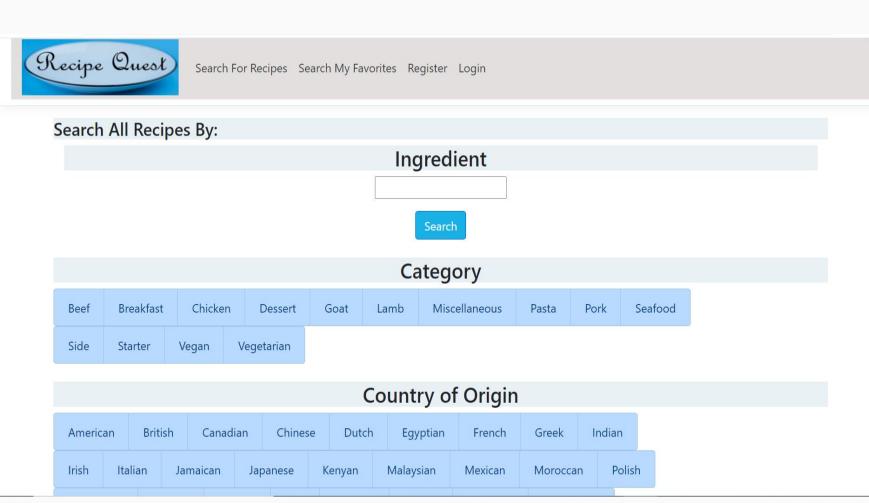
Search For Recipes



Carrot Cake

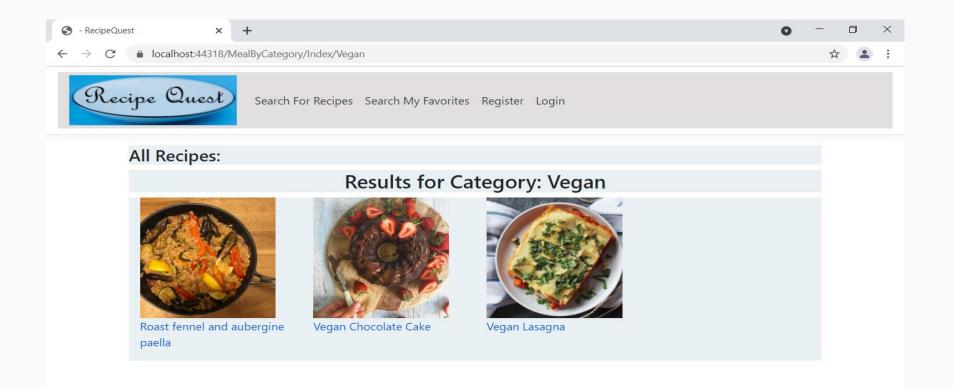


All Recipes Search Page



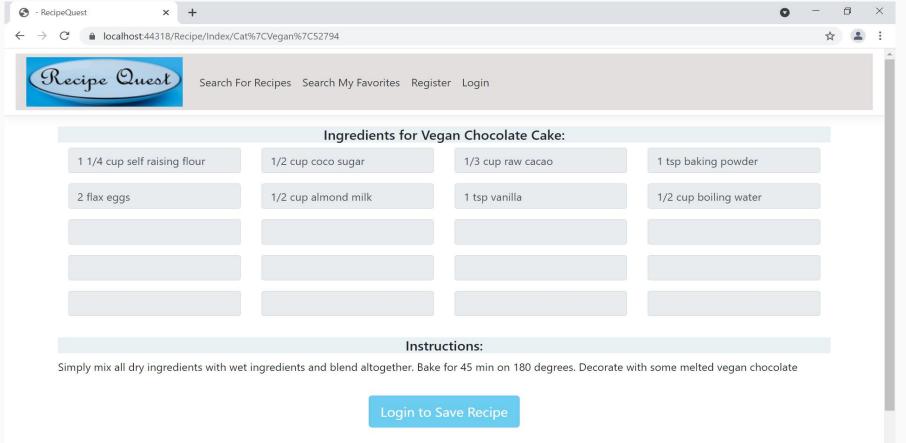


Search Results Page



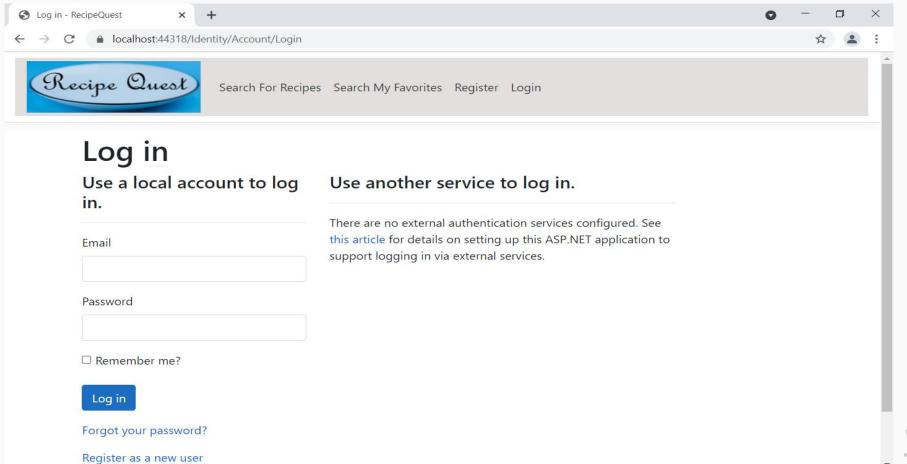


Recipe Display Page



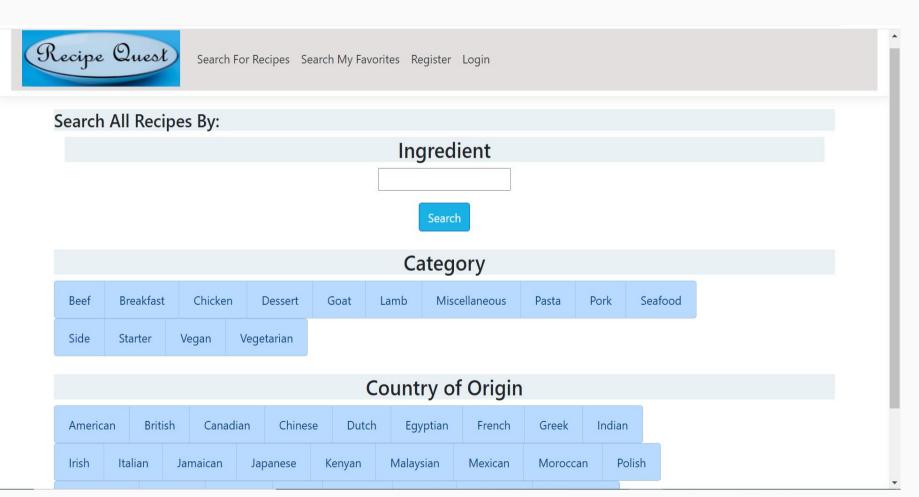


Login Page



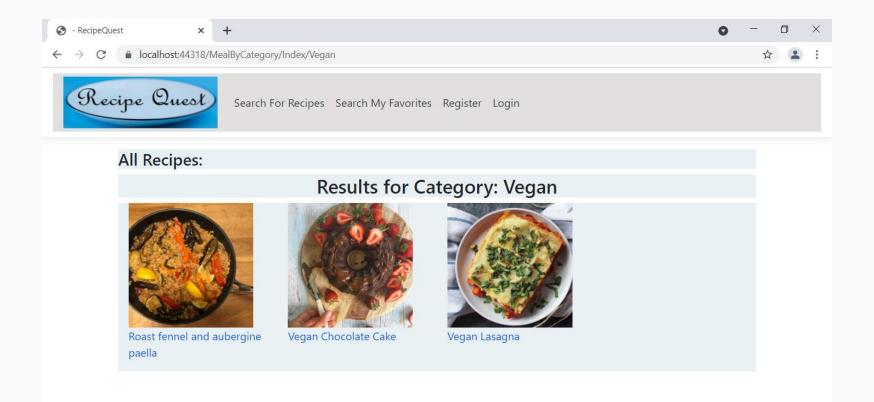


All Recipes Search Page



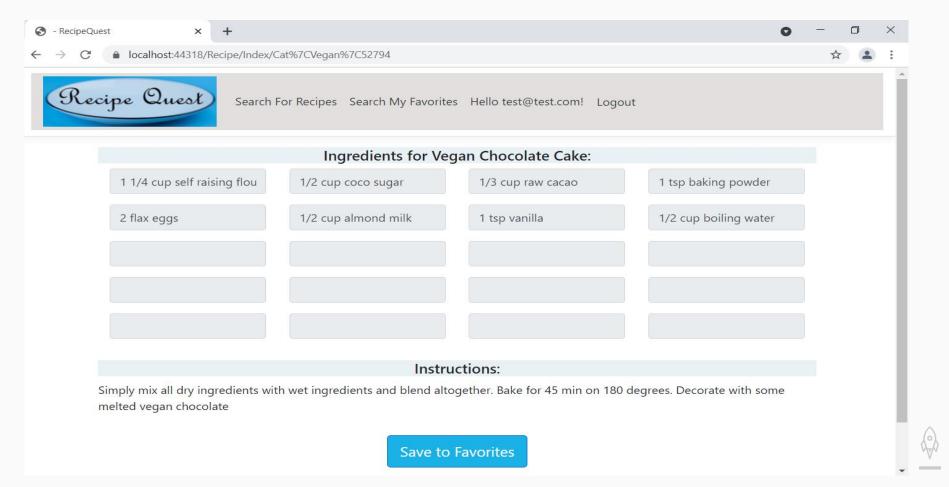


Search Results Page

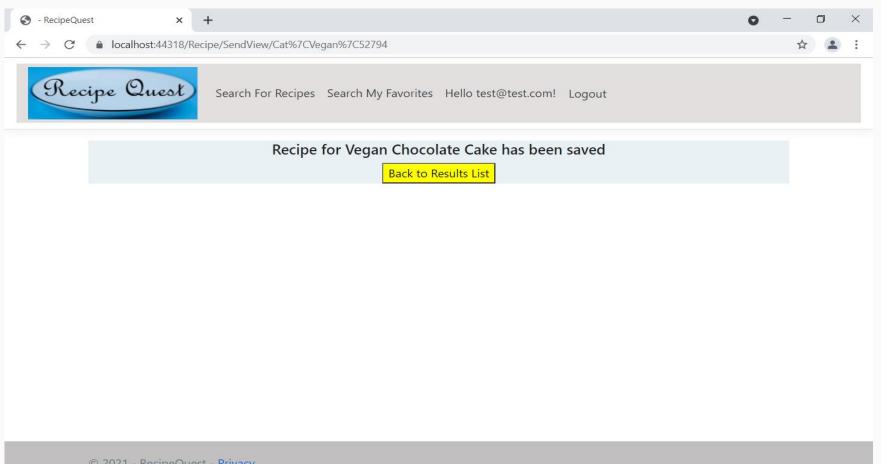




Logged In Recipe Page

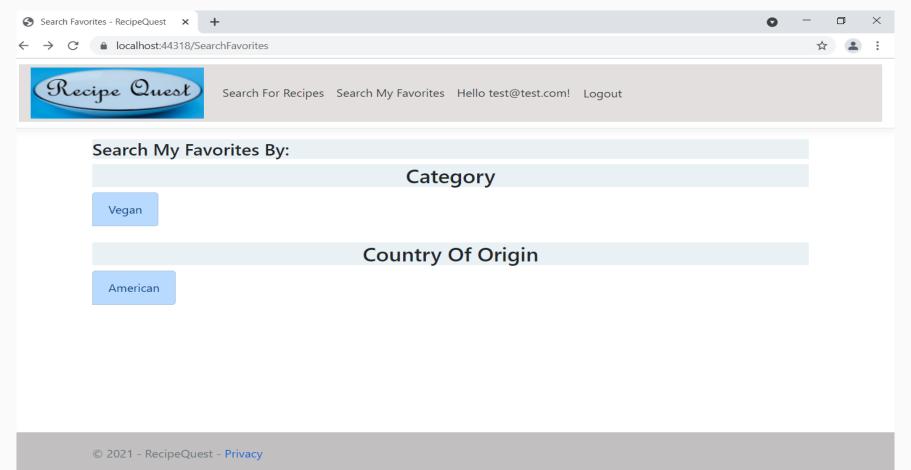


My Favorites- Recipe Saved





My Favorites Search Page





My Favorites Results Page



My Favorites:

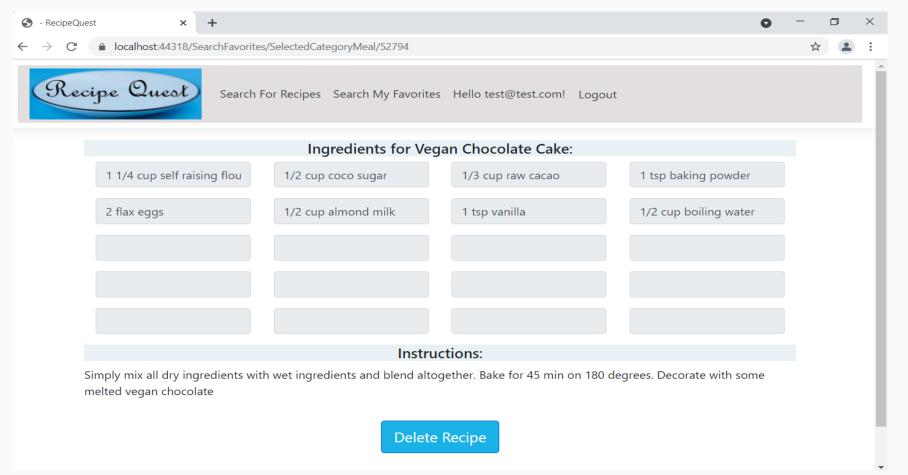
Results for Category: Vegan



Vegan Chocolate Cake

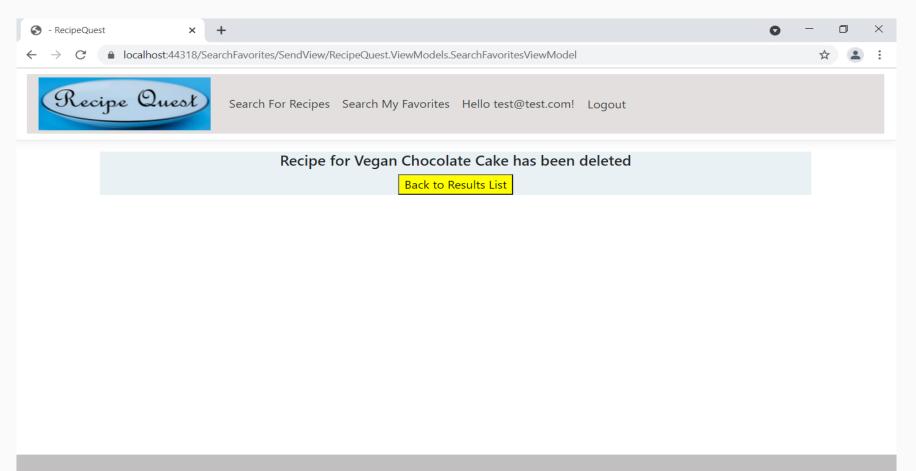


My Favorites Recipe Page





My Favorites- Recipe Deleted





My Favorites Search Results





What I Learned

- How to process JSON data.
- BootStrap features.
- How to create a pop up window using JavaScript(It caused problems when paging backwards, so I took it out)
- How to tell if a user was logged in and access their user Id.
- Using the browser's forward and backward arrows without getting errors.
- Keeping track of where I started so I could return to that page.



What's Next

- Create a user table and join the user Id with their saved recipe Ids in a many-to-one join table. This would make the process of collecting all recipes for a user more efficient.
- Allow logged in users to enter and save their own recipes. This would create a backup for their personal recipes and include them when searching.
- Add the ingredient search to the My Favorites Search Page. This is
 just a nice feature to have if you have leftovers from another recipe.
 You have to buy a whole stalk of celery, but most recipes only use 2-3 ribs.

