

# AI Usage Report

## AI Tools Used

- **ChatGPT (OpenAI)** and **Cursor AI**: These were the core tools that guided architecture planning, prompt generation, UI implementation, and debugging workflows.
- **v0.dev**: Used as an inspiration source generated visual layout suggestions and sample component structures, which were then adapted manually.
- **Vercel**: Served as the deployment platform enabled automated GitHub-based builds for final hosting and publishing.

## Key Use Cases & How Tools Were Applied

### Architectural Planning & Design System Setup

I began by defining the **Swiss-Apple hybrid design system**, including typography hierarchy (Inter font, 8px spacing grid), accent color palette (charcoal and blue), and layout rules. ChatGPT provided clear guidance, while Cursor refined the Tailwind config and global styles.

### Component Generation & Section Boilerplates

Using v0.dev inspiration and ChatGPT prompts, I generated reusable UI component boilerplates: `Button`, `Card`, `PricingCalculator`, `AccordionItem`, `TestimonialCard`, and more. Cursor helped me adapt these into TypeScript and Tailwind-based `shadcn/ui` patterns.

### Interactive Logic & Animations

ChatGPT and Cursor collaborated to implement:

- **Interactive pricing calculator** logic with React state and live total updates.
- **Inline expandable blog/resource articles** that open seamlessly within the homepage.
- **Scroll-triggered animations** via Framer Motion for hero text, testimonials, feature cards, and blog sections.

### Debugging & Accessibility Enhancements

When facing TypeScript errors or code warnings, ChatGPT assisted with error analysis and recommended corrections. Cursor then inserted ESLint and Prettier constraints to keep styling consistent. I also incorporated semantic HTML and ARIA attributes based on AI suggestions for accessibility.

## Sample Prompts Used

- Hero Section Prompt**  
*“Create a responsive Hero section using Next.js, Tailwind CSS, and Framer Motion: gradient-heading, glassmorphic background cards, dual CTA buttons, floating decorative elements.”*
- Interactive Pricing Calculator Prompt**  
*“Build a pricing section with three tiers (Starter, Professional, Enterprise), highlight the Pro tier, and implement real-time calculator state logic—written in TypeScript and using Tailwind for layout.”*
- Testimonials Carousel Prompt**  
*“Generate a testimonial carousel component: auto-rotate behavior, swipe gestures for mobile, smooth opacity and translate animation transitions, accessible markup and navigation dots.”*

## AI vs Manual Work Split

Category	Percentage	Description of Work
AI-generated	~50%	Scaffolding, UI component boilerplates, design tokens setup, animation patterns, interactive logic structure
Manual coding	~40%	Custom layout refinements for Swiss-Apple visual style, responsive grid tuning, blog expansion implementation, section stitching
Customization	~10%	Tailoring spacing, typography hierarchy, color blending, accessibility tweaks, final polish for visual cohesion

## Workflow Highlights & Value

- AI tools allowed me to **rapidly prototype and iterate** on layout and interactivity accelerating development.
- Manual refinement ensured visual impact and brand cohesion orienting all sections around the polished Swiss-Apple look.
- By splitting work strategically, I could **balance speed with control**, using AI where helpful and taking ownership where design nuance mattered most.

## Reflection & Ethical Use

I consciously adhered to ethical AI use by providing accurate prompt credit, indicating tool names and responsibilities, and not presenting AI-generated content as wholly my own. This aligns with principles of transparency and accountability in AI-assisted workflows .

## Alignment with Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Fulfillment Summary
Beautiful UI Design (40%)	Swiss-Apple visual style, glassmorphic aesthetics, layered typography, consistent branding across sections
AI Tool Usage (25%)	Strategic use of ChatGPT, Cursor, and v0.dev—clearly documented prompts and outcomes
Code Quality (20%)	Clean, modular TSX components, design tokens, Tailwind best practices, lint/format setup
Functionality (10%)	Pricing calculator, blog expansion, FAQ accordion, testimonials carousel implemented and smooth
Documentation (5%)	Detailed README, structured AI usage report, code comments in key logic components

## Conclusion

This project demonstrates how integrating AI tools like ChatGPT, Cursor AI, and v0.dev with disciplined manual craftsmanship can produce a landing page that is both visually striking and technically robust. AI accelerated foundational tasks component scaffolding, prompt-based UI generation, and interactive feature logic while manual effort was critical for refining the design, enhancing accessibility, and ensuring responsive polish.

Ultimately, the combined workflow resulted in a modern, responsive, and performance-optimized SaaS landing page that showcases excellent UI design, reusable architecture, and a compelling user experience. This hybrid approach respects the balance between AI efficiency and human creativity delivering a production-ready result that aligns with the project’s evaluation criteria and reflects thoughtful, intentional development.