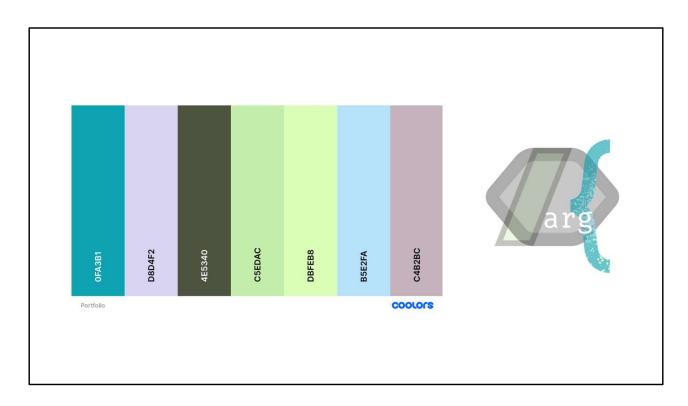


The site map was the first step in the design process. After reading the brief & requirements I decided the best way to organize would be:

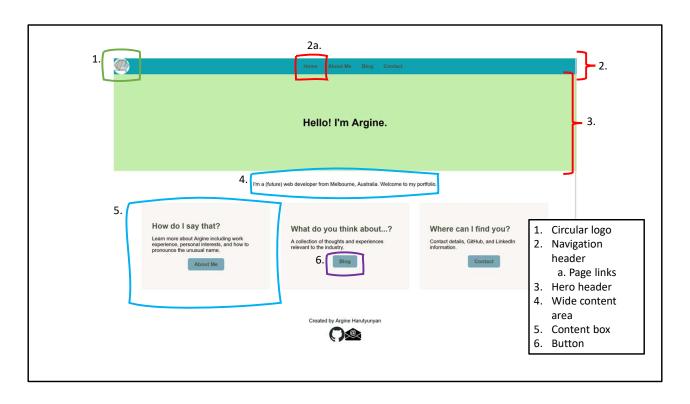
- Landing page that links to 3 main pages
- About me page to be segmented so there is space for professional details, personal details, as well as the external PDF download of the resume
- I had initially planned to have the blog link to the list of blog posts, and each post would have it's own page. To avoid duplicate documents I changed this so the blog posts are all on one page but have their own ID so each can be linked to easily.



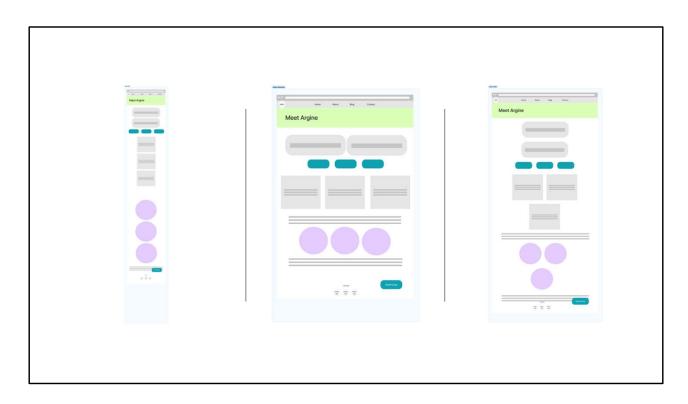
- Colour palette chosen because I wanted to have pops of bright colour (blues and greens are my favourite), but options for complementary muted tones, as well as darker tones for text/outlining
- I made a mock up logo with a few coding elements with the start of my name being relevant, and added in the colours once the palette was set.



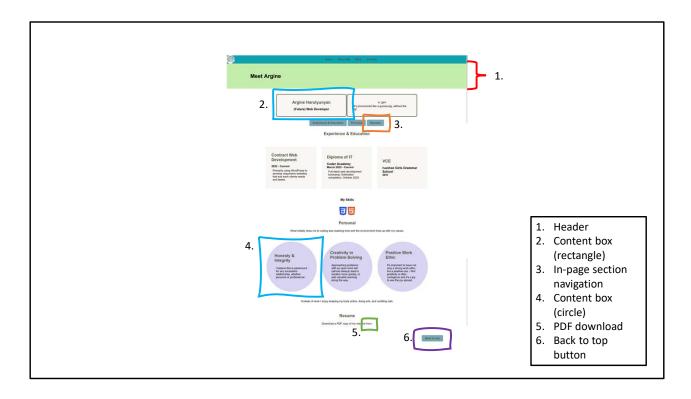
• Wireframes were completed before colour palette was finalized, in the end the colouring of the design changed slightly but the layout stayed.



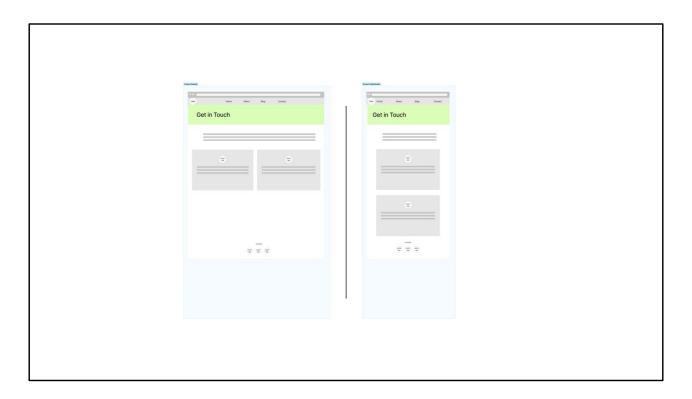
- 1. Logo in top corner for max visibility & memorability
- 2. Nav at top aiming to have dynamic eventually. Hover effect for ease of navigation
- 3. Hero header eventually to have graphic element
- 4. To communicate point of website clearly & immediately
- 5. Colour choice changed to grey/brown when settled on colour for top so it's not too overwhelmingly bright
- 6. Button style to "jazz up" regular hyperlink & emphasize CLICK HERE



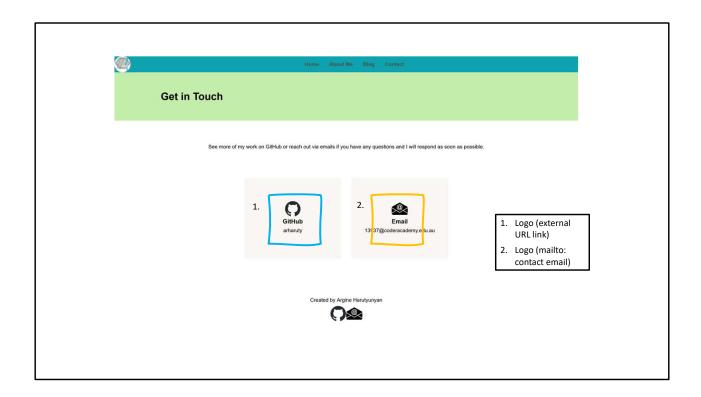
- Most challenging for responsive layout as it is the page with the most elements
- I had plans for more detail & colour & business but went with a minimalist design to avoid overcrowding the page



- 1. Reworked from home page hero so the style continues across the site
- 2. Different style/colour content boxes for variety, especially since the regular ones are a lighter colour
- 3. In page anchors work with back to top button so there isn't mucking around to find specific information if needed



- Contact page was included in spite of the same links in the footer because:
 - Some employers may be looking specifically for a contact page
 - Some may appreciate the links at the footer immediately available to contact me because they were so impressed
 - Prime objective of this website being to advertise my skills & gain meaningful work, so this is a top priority piece of information I don't mind repeated



Graphic components – similar but slightly different Github itself – circle Email icon – square / other shapes



- Follows same style as about & contact
- Hard coded atm would eventually want to make this part more dynamic, add features like searching
- Because of the content this page didn't require special responsive set up, all widths show the same

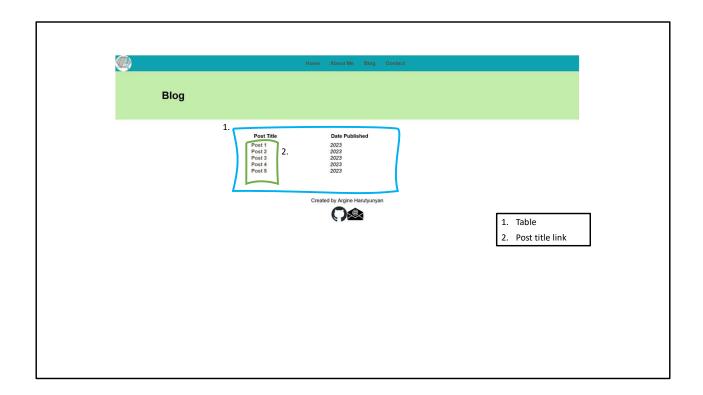


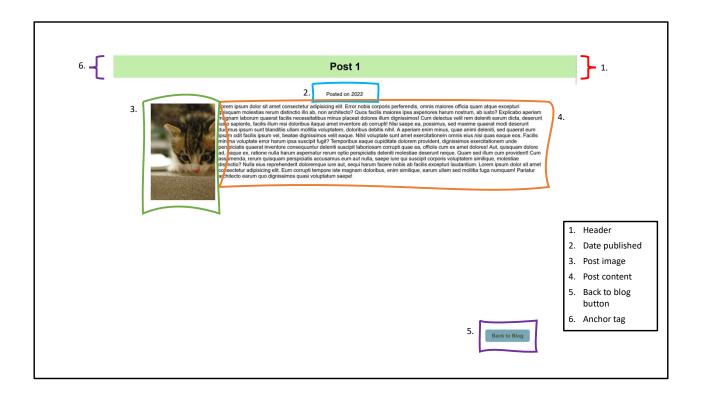
Table used

- Easy alignment of items
- Easy to add additional posts in bottom/ top row as needed



Considered "sub-content", not linked directly in nav bar so doesn't have nav bar on page, just back to blog button with same styling as the back to top

Similar header style maintained to keep the style across the site



Review

Challenges

- Naming and allocation of classes & id's got very complex quickly
- Forgetting I reused components across pages & changed the shared stylesheet
- The general layout of the page wasn't as well thought out as each single component, and sometimes caused unexpected issues

What I learned for next time

- A (low-fidelity) plan is needed across the whole project before starting on any detail
- Make decisions on how id/class will be named & used across the site during planning
- Complete the bare-bones first, before getting bogged down in design specifics