



100 Days Backend + Cloud Developer Challenge

PHASE 1: Backend Development (Days 1–30)

◆ 1. Advanced Python

What to Learn:

- OOP, Decorators, Generators
- Error Handling, File handling
- Working with json, requests, datetime

Resources:

- Python OOP – freeCodeCamp (YouTube)
 - <https://realpython.com/>
 - <https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/>
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◆ 2. Django + Django REST Framework

What to Learn:

- Views, Templates, Models, Admin, Forms
- Django REST APIs: Serializers, Permissions, CRUD
- JWT Authentication, Throttling

Resources:

- <https://docs.djangoproject.com/>
 - Django for Beginners (Book)
 - DRF REST API – CodeWithStein (YouTube)
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◆ 3. Flask + Microservices

What to Learn:

- Routing, Templates, SQLAlchemy
- REST APIs, JWT Auth
- Structuring Flask as Microservices

Resources:

- Flask Mega-Tutorial by Miguel Grinberg
 - Flask Crash Course – Traversy Media (YouTube)
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◆ **4. PostgreSQL + GitHub**

What to Learn:

- PostgreSQL Basics, Joins, Aggregates, Indexes
- Django ORM Queries
- Git Workflow: Branches, PRs, Merges

Resources:

- <https://www.postgresqltutorial.com/>
 - GitHub Crash Course – Traversy Media (YouTube)
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PHASE 2: Cloud & DevOps (Days 31–60)

◆ **5. AWS (Cloud Basics)**

What to Learn:

- EC2, S3, RDS, IAM, VPC
- Deploy Django/Flask to EC2
- Store media in S3, Use PostgreSQL with RDS

Resources:

- EC2 Setup – AWS Free Tier (YouTube)
 - AWS Cloud Skill Builder: <https://explore.skillbuilder.aws/>
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◆ **6. Docker & Docker Compose**

What to Learn:

- Images vs Containers, Dockerfile, Volumes
- Dockerizing Django/Flask app
- Compose (Web + DB), Push to DockerHub

Resources:

- Docker for Beginners – TechWorld with Nana
- Dockerizing Django – Real Python

◆ 7. Nginx + Gunicorn + CI/CD

What to Learn:

- Gunicorn as app server for Django/Flask
- Nginx as reverse proxy
- GitHub Actions CI/CD pipeline for auto deploy

Resources:

- Deploy Django + Gunicorn + Nginx – DigitalOcean
 - CI/CD Pipeline with GitHub Actions – YouTube
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PHASE 3: System Design, Monitoring & Security (Days 61–90)

◆ 8. System Design

What to Learn:

- Monolith vs Microservices
- Load Balancing, Caching, Queueing Systems
- Horizontal vs Vertical Scaling

Resources:

- System Design Primer – GitHub: <https://github.com/donnemartin/system-design-primer>
 - Gaurav Sen – YouTube
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◆ 9. Monitoring & Logging

What to Learn:

- Python Logging, Loguru
- Prometheus + Grafana Setup
- Health Checks, Logging Errors, Alerts

Resources:

- <https://loguru.readthedocs.io/>
 - Prometheus + Grafana Setup – YouTube
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◆ 10. Security Best Practices

What to Learn:

- HTTPS, SSL, CORS, CSRF, OAuth2
- RBAC (Role-Based Access Control)
- Environment Variables, Secret Management

Resources:

- <https://owasp.org/www-project-top-ten/>
 - Secure Django – MDN Web Docs
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PHASE 4: Portfolio & Job Prep (Days 91–100)

◆ What to Do:

- Build your Portfolio Website (React or Django)
- Blog your projects, polish GitHub
- Write clean README.md files for each project
- Update your Resume & LinkedIn
- Practice Backend & Cloud Interview Questions

Resources:

- <https://github.com/emmabostian/developer-portfolios>
 - <https://www.techinterviewhandbook.org/resume/>
 - <https://backendinterview.org/>
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✨ Bonus Tools

- **Tracker:** Use Notion or Google Sheets to track daily progress
- **Certificate:** Create one at virtualbadge.io
- **Daily Projects:** Document on GitHub with README & demo links