

ELLENÉ VAN DER MEIJDEN

Junior Frontend Developer

PERSONAL DETAILS

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PROFILE

Passionate self-taught front-end developer dedicated to creating dynamic, user-friendly web experiences. Continuously learning and adapting to new technologies. A proactive problem-solver who ensures seamless design-to-development integration. Thrives in collaborative environments with a user-focused mindset. Ready to bring innovation and attention to detail to your team.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Commerce	Nov 2020
Prestige Academy, Centurion	
Graduated Cum laude	

COURSES

Next.js 15 & React - The Complete Guide	Present
React Testing Library and Jest: The Complete Guide	Present
React & TypeScript - The Practical Guide	2024
React - The Complete Guide (incl. Next.js, Redux)	2024
Front-End Engineer Career Path	2024

PROJECTS

Mini Test Projects	Present
mini-testing-projects.netlify.app	
Mini Testing Projects is a small collection of practice projects I built to learn and improve my skills in testing React applications. The site is built with Next.js and styled using Tailwind CSS. I used React Hook Form for handling forms, and data is fetched using the Fetch API. React hooks help manage state and logic across the app. I wrote tests using Jest and React Testing Library to check that components and user interactions work as expected. This project helped me get more comfortable with writing and understanding front-end tests in a real-world setup.	

My Portfolio

2024

evdmportfolio.netlify.app

My Portfolio is a personal website I built with React and styled using Sass. It's where I share my front-end projects, skills, and a bit about me. I used Sass to make the site responsive so it works well on all screen sizes. The site has sections like an about page, a list of the courses I've done, and a personal section with my hobbies, goals, and values. I used React Context to handle modals for showing project details, and added smooth animations with Framer Motion. I also used tools like Vite for development, React Router for navigation, and EmailJS for the contact form. This project helped me bring everything I've learned together in one place.

Readit-Hub

2024

readit-hub.netlify.app

Readit-Hub is a simplified, read-only version of Reddit that showcases top subreddits, posts, and comments without requiring user authentication or allowing interaction. Built with React, Redux, Bootstrap, and the Reddit API via snowrap, the app was created to strengthen my skills in API integration and state management. Key features include Reddit API integration, detailed post and comment viewing, a search function for finding specific subreddits or posts, and a responsive design for mobile compatibility.

Jammming

2023

evdmjammmingapp.netlify.app

Jammming is a React web application that integrates with the Spotify API to let users search for songs, artists, or albums, create custom playlists, and save them directly to their Spotify accounts. Built with React and CSS, the app features dynamic state management and API handling. Users can easily manage their playlists by adding, removing, and rearranging songs using a drag-and-drop interface. This project allowed me to deepen my understanding of working with third-party APIs and building interactive user interfaces.

Pawfectly Pampered

2023

pawfectly-pampered.netlify.app

Pawfectly Pampered is the first website I built from scratch as part of a course project, using only HTML and CSS. Designed as a business landing page for a pet store, the site reflects my love for animals and allowed me to explore and experiment with various CSS features. Key highlights include a responsive flexbox layout, custom design tailored to a pet-themed brand, and the use of complementary colors in shades of blue and brown to enhance visual appeal. This project helped me strengthen my foundational front-end development skills while expressing creativity through design.

EMPLOYMENT

Front-end Freelancer

Jan 2025 - Present

Self-Employed

- Designing and developing a mathematics resource website from scratch using Next.js and Tailwind CSS.
- Using Figma and Concept for wireframing during planning phase.
- Implementing a structured resource system with categories, downloadable activities, and an interactive comment section.
- Ensuring a responsive and accessible user experience.

Project Administrator

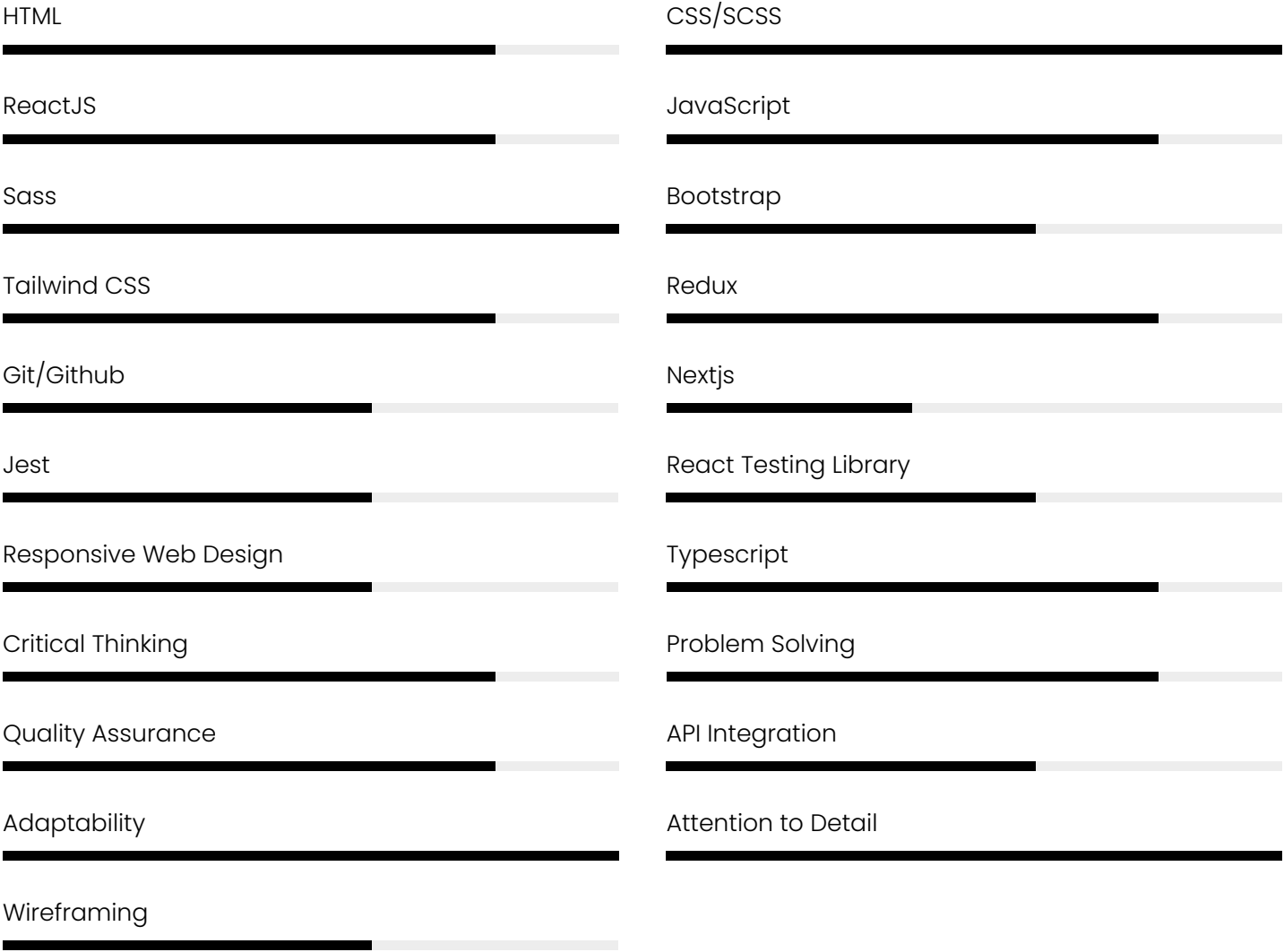
Sep 2021 - May 2023

Petros Business Solutions

- Collaborated with Project Managers on tasks related to HR systems, including data capturing, quality assurance, document management, and system testing, ensuring seamless project execution.
- Created feature update documentation based on client requirements, coordinating with internal teams to implement changes and performing system testing for accuracy.
- Appointed to lead the data operations for a high-profile client, managing a large-scale data entry and

quality assurance process across 9 subsidiary companies.

SKILLS



LANGUAGES



HOBBIES

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| ■ Reading | ■ Baking |
| ■ Puzzle solving | ■ Gardening |