🎨 Build Your Portfolio Like a Pro – Using AI

Portfolio Inspiration: amarjaleel.me 😜
Follow this guide to create your personal portfolio efficiently using AI, just like Amar did!

Step 1: Understand Yourself (AI Interview)

Goal: Let AI ask you the right questions to gather all your info for the portfolio.

Prompt to AI:

> You are an expert portfolio designer and career advisor. Ask me a series of questions to fully understand my personal brand, skills, experience, and the type of portfolio I want. Be thorough and honest. Cover these areas:
>
> 1. Personal information (name, profession, tagline).
> 2. Skills and expertise (technical, creative, other).
> 3. Experience (projects, jobs, internships, achievements).
> 4. Design preferences (colors, style, layout, mood).
> 5. Goals of the portfolio (job applications, freelance, personal branding).
> 6. Additional content (blog, testimonials, contact forms, downloadable resume).
>   Ask follow-up questions if any answer is unclear.
>   Generate a clear summary of my answers at the end.

✅ **Result:** AI creates a full personal profile summary.

Step 2: Portfolio Plan (AI Blueprint)

Goal: Get a complete plan before writing a single line of code.

Prompt to AI:

> Based on my answers, create a complete portfolio plan for me. Include:
>
> 1. Suggested layout and sections (Home, About, Projects, Blog, Contact, etc.).
> 2. Recommended style, color palette, and fonts.
> 3. Suggested interactive features (animations, dark mode, responsive design, etc.).
> 4. List of technologies and tools I should use.

5. Step-by-step implementation roadmap, including the order in which to build each section.

   Be honest about what might be too complicated for a beginner and suggest alternatives.

   Provide a mock wireframe or visual description for each section.

✅ **Result:** AI provides a roadmap and visual mockup plan.

Step 3: Setup Development Environment

Goal: Prepare everything before building.

Tools:

- **VS Code** → Main code editor
- **Copilot** → AI-assisted coding
- **Comet Browser** → AI testing & bug reports

Prompt to AI:

Guide me through setting up my development environment for building my portfolio. Include installation and configuration steps for:

1. VS Code
2. Copilot extension
3. Any necessary frameworks or libraries (React, Tailwind, etc.)
4. Comet browser or similar tools for testing and bug reporting
   Give me commands to run, folder structure recommendations, and tips for productivity.

✅ **Result:** Your environment is ready to build and test.

Step 4: Break Portfolio into Sections

Goal: Build your portfolio in small, manageable pieces.

Suggested Sections & AI Prompts

1. **Header & Navigation**

   Generate code for a responsive header with logo, navigation links, and call-to-action button. Include mobile menu toggle.

2. **About Section**

> Generate an About section showing my photo, short bio, skills list with icons, and animated progress bars.

3. **Projects Section**

   > Generate a Projects section showing 3–6 projects with images, descriptions, tech stack, and links. Include hover effects.

4. **Contact Section**

   > Generate a contact form with name, email, message, and submit button. Validate inputs and style to match my theme.

5. **Footer & Social Links**

   > Generate footer with social icons, copyright notice, and optional newsletter signup.

✅ **Result:** You have all sections coded, one at a time, without overwhelm.

Step 5: Test & Iterate (AI QA)

Goal: Make your portfolio flawless.

Prompt to AI (Comet Browser):

> Test my portfolio section for:
>
>   1. Responsiveness (mobile, tablet, desktop)
>   2. Accessibility (color contrast, keyboard navigation)
>   3. Bugs or layout issues
>   4. Performance issues
>   Provide a report of issues and suggestions for improvement.

✅ **Result:** Portfolio works perfectly on all devices.

Step 6: Final Touches

- Add animations, dark/light mode, and micro-interactions.
- Optimize images and performance.
- Ensure all links and forms work correctly.

Step 7: Workflow Summary

1. Discuss your portfolio ideas with AI → collect answers
2. AI creates portfolio plan → roadmap + wireframes
3. Set up environment → VS Code + Copilot + Comet
4. Break portfolio into sections → create prompts for each task
5. Build each section → one at a time using AI assistance
6. Test each section → AI feedback → fix bugs
7. Iterate → finalize portfolio

Step 8: Deployment (Git + Vercel + Custom Domain)

Goal: Make your portfolio live for the world to see.

1. Create Git Repository

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# Navigate to your project folder
git init
git add .
git commit -m "Initial commit"
git branch -M main
# Replace <USERNAME> with your GitHub username
git remote add origin https://github.com/<USERNAME>/portfolio.git
git push -u origin main
```

Name your repo portfolio (or any name you like).

Every time you make changes locally:

```
git add .
git commit -m "Describe changes"
git push
```

2. Deploy on Vercel

3. Go to Vercel and sign in with GitHub.

4. Import your portfolio repository.

5. Vercel detects framework automatically (React, Next.js, or HTML/CSS).

6. Click Deploy.

7. Use Free .me Domain (GitHub Student Pack Trick)

If you have a free .me domain from GitHub Student Pack:

1. In your Vercel project dashboard → Settings → Domains → Add Domain.

2. Enter your .me domain.

3. Update your domain's DNS settings:

A record → Vercel IP (check Vercel documentation)

CNAME record → cname.vercel-dns.com for your subdomain (if needed)

4. Vercel automatically issues SSL → your portfolio is secure and live!

Pro Tip: You can push updates locally → git push → Vercel automatically redeploys your site. 🚀

Tips & Motivation 😎

Experiment Freely: Don't be afraid to try new colors, layouts, or animations. AI gives suggestions, but your creativity is the real power.

Visualize First: Before coding, sketch rough wireframes on paper or AI-generated mockups—helps prevent layout headaches later.

Start Small: Build one section, test it, then move to the next. Small wins keep you motivated.

Document Everything: Save AI prompts, screenshots, and notes. It's like building a playbook for your portfolio journey.

Have Fun: Remember, this is your personal brand—make it reflect you, not just AI's ideas.

Example Visual Prompts for AI Wireframes 🖼️

> Generate a simple wireframe for my portfolio's Home section showing:

Header with logo and navigation

Hero section with tagline and call-to-action button

About preview snippet

Featured projects

Footer with social links

Style it minimal, modern, and mobile-friendly.

> Repeat for About, Projects, Contact, and Footer sections with respective elements.

✅ Result: You get visual guidance for coding without being overwhelmed.

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