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6.3HD - Design Document

1. Introduction

This document outlines the design and development of a single-page web app for searching cocktails based on names, categories, alcoholic volumes, ingredients, and other functionalities. The frameworks used for this project are VueJS and Bootstrap. This document is a comprehensive application overview, including the requirements, design, implementation, and deployment. The web app will enable users to search for cocktails and view detailed information about each cocktail, including ingredients, instructions for mixing, and sample images. The app's front end will be built using VueJS, with the grid design and layout strapped together using Bootstrap. The backend will be powered using TheCocktailDB API, an open and free-of-charge database of drinks and cocktails worldwide. In addition, the Axios library will also be used to make HTTP requests in our browser environment. The document will further detail the application's structure, design, and implementation.

2. Requirements

A. Functional Requirements

The app contains five main functionalities: generate a random cocktail; search cocktail by name, ingredients, alcoholic volumes, categories, and glassware; view the detailed instructions, images, and ingredients of each cocktail; look up ingredients; view ingredient details.

- 1. Generate a random cocktail: A new and random cocktail featured as a drink of the day.
- 2. Search cocktails by name, ingredients, alcoholic volumes, categories, and glassware: Each filter can be used independently or together to find the user's best drink.
- 3. View a cocktail's details: The image, name, category, alcoholic volume, glassware, instructions for mixing, and ingredient will be presented in a comprehensive card view that can be used to look up other drinks with the same components.
- 4. View all ingredients: All ingredients used for mixing the cocktails will be presented in a search view, with each one shown in a card with the image, name, and will re-route you to the Ingredient Detail view on click.
- 5. View an ingredient's details: The image, name, type, alcoholic by volume (ABV), and description will be shown in a card view similar to the Cocktail Detail view.

B. Non-functional Requirements

The app contains three non-functional requirements: responsiveness, usability, and accessibility.

1. Responsiveness: The website automatically adjusts its layout and content to fit different screen sizes and devices, whether the user is accessing the website using a desktop, a phone, or a tablet.

- 2. Usability: The app was designed with a clear and intuitive user interface, making it easy for users to search for cocktails, view detailed information about each cocktail, and save their favourite recipes.
- 3. Accessibility: The accessibility of the app can be interpreted from the high-contrast display of all pages and interactive elements.

3. Design Architecture

- 1. Front-end:
 - a. VueJS: Power the app using custom and reusable templates on the view.
 - b. Vue Router: Navigate between different views in our single-page application.
 - c. Bootstrap: Create a grid structure to style the app in a logical and user-friendly interface.
 - d. Axios: Promise-based HTTP client for the browser and node.js.
- 2. Back-end: <u>TheCocktailDB API</u>: An open, crowd-sourced database of drinks and cocktails worldwide.

4. Implementation

The main structure includes:
src/
— apis
CocktailAPI.js: Helper functions to send requests and receive responses from API
— App.vue
— assets
cocktail.png
└── logo.png
— components
AlcoholicFilter.vue: Drop-down menu to filter search results
AlcoholicSearch.vue: Buttons for the AlcoholicView
CategoryFilter.vue: Drop-down menu to filter search results
CategorySearch.vue: Buttons for the CategoryView
CocktailPreview.vue: Template for SearchView to pass in data and display
GlassFilter.vue: Drop-down menu to filter search results
GlassSearch.vue: Buttons for the GlassView
IngredientFilter.vue: Drop-down menu to filter search results
IngredientPreview.vue: Template for IngredientView to pass in data and display
— main.js: Import necessary modules
— router
index.js: Router
— views
AboutView.vue: About page
AlcoholicView.vue: View to select alcoholic options
CategoryView.vue: View to select category options
CocktailDetail.vue View detailed information of the selected cocktail

GlassView.vue: View to select glassware options
HomeView.vue: Home page
IngredientDetail.vue: View detailed information of the selected ingredient
IngredientView.vue: List all ingredients that are used in cocktails
SearchView.vue: Display search results from other's views passed in parameters

5. Screenshots of the web app

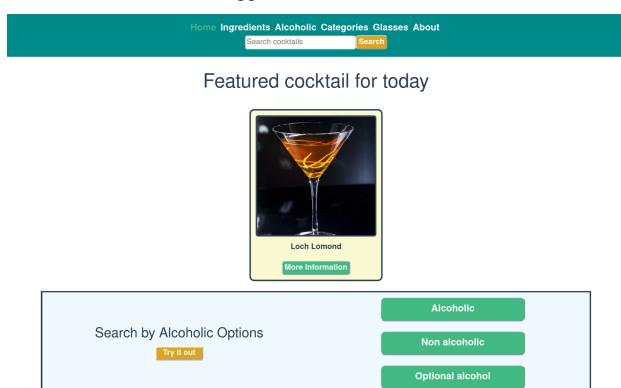


Figure 1: Home Page

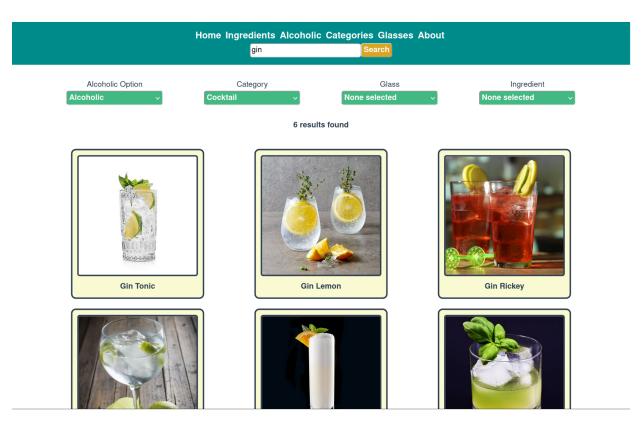


Figure 2: Search Page

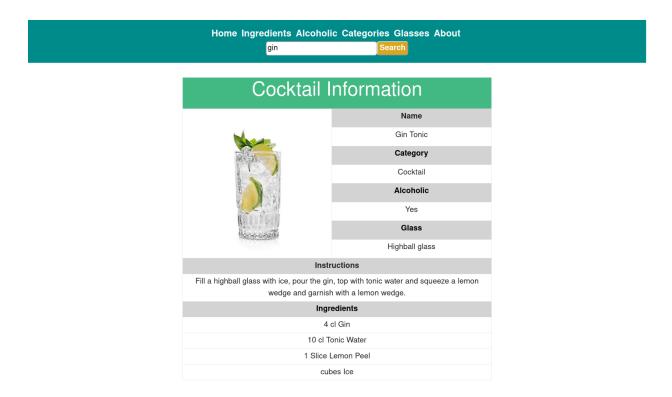


Figure 3: Cocktail Information Page

Ingredients

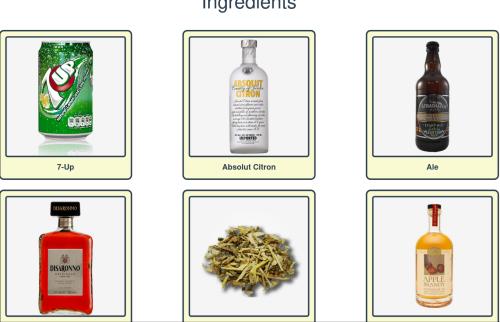


Figure 3: Ingredient Page

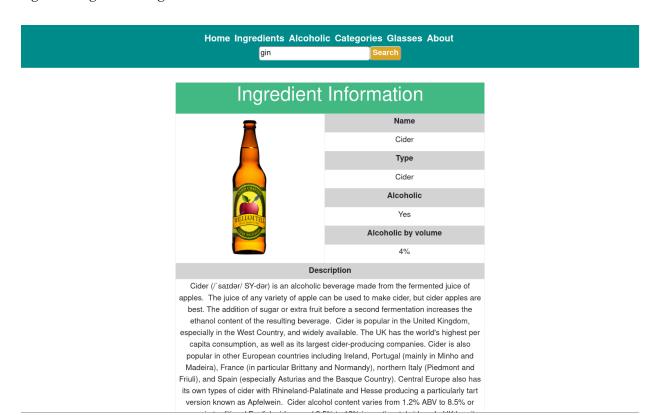


Figure 4: Ingredient Information Page



Figure 5: Alcoholic Option Page

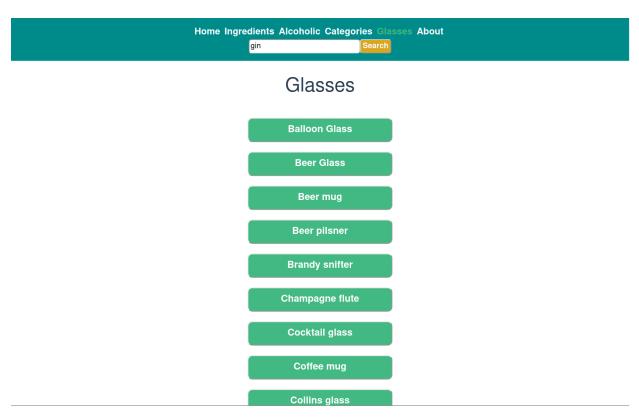


Figure 6: Glass Page

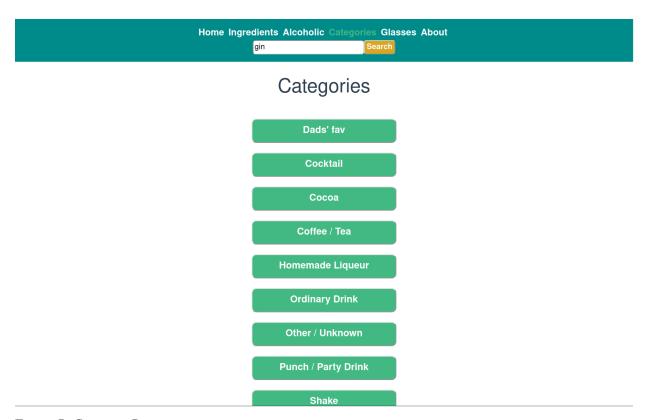


Figure 7: Category Page