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| **Filename: [search.html]** | | |
| **Summary***:*  The search.html file is a template for Razda Market's product search functionality, allowing users to search for items by name or category. The page includes a search input form and dynamically displays search results in a grid format, providing essential details about each product and a link to view the product's detailed page. This page enhances the user experience by enabling quick access to desired products and offering an intuitive layout for search-based exploration of the marketplace. | | |
| ***Processes*** | | |
| * **Render Search Form** | **Displays a form with a text input for users to enter their search terms, along with a submit button that sends a GET request.** | |
| * **Capture and Process User Query** | **The form submission triggers a GET request to search.search, which processes the query and returns matched results. The query parameter is sent as q.** | |
| * **Display Search Results** | **If results are found, they are displayed as cards with product images, names, short descriptions, and prices. Each result card includes a link to the product's detail page.** | |
| * **Handle no Result cases** | **If no matching products are found, the page displays a message informing the user, encouraging them to try different search terms.** | |
| **Files it Gets Information From:** | | **Files it Sends too:** |
| **CSS file (styles.css)**: Provides styling for form fields, buttons, and the grid layout, ensuring visual consistency with the Razda Market theme. | **Search Route (search.search)**: The form sends a GET request to this route with the search term, which queries the database and returns matching products to be displayed. | |
| **header.html**: Included at the top to provide navigation and branding, allowing users to easily navigate between sections of the site. | **Product Details (product\_catalog.view\_product)**: Each search result links to the product detail page, allowing users to explore items further. | |
| **footer.html**: Provides consistent footer information, including site links, branding, and additional navigation options. |  | |
| **Expected input into file:** | | **Expected output from file:** |
| * **query (q)**: User-provided search term (from the GET request) that filters products based on name or category. * **results**: A list of matching product dictionaries or objects, containing details like name, description, price, image\_path, and product\_id. | | * **Search Results Display**: Generates a visually appealing grid layout showing matching products with each product’s image, name, description, and price. Each product card links to its detailed page. * **Feedback for No Results**: If no products match the search term, displays a friendly message suggesting the user refine their search criteria. |
| **Things that need to be taking place:** | | |
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| Edit log (update each time you make changes to doc or file). | | |
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