

Proof of Taste Project Plan

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Project Overview

Goal: Build a bourbon-tasting tracker and recommendation engine using:

- GitHub for code management and version control
- Streamlit Cloud for a public-facing web app
- AWS (S3, Lambda, Athena) for data storage and cloud orchestration

App Features:

- User selects or inputs a Subject ID
- Users submit bourbon tasting notes via a Streamlit app
- Notes are stored in AWS S3, and optionally analyzed with NLP
- A recommender suggests bourbons based on taste profiles
- Athena provides SQL-based analytics (optional)

Architecture Overview

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| User visits app |
| (proof-of-taste.app) |
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| Streamlit Cloud |
| (from GitHub) |
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| Tasting Note Form
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| | API call to AWS Lambda |
| | via API Gateway (REST) |
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| | Lambda Function |
| | - Saves data to S3 |
| | - Triggers NLP if needed |
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S3 (logs) Athena (queries)

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Phased Work Plan

Phase 1: GitHub + Local Streamlit MVP (Week 1)

Goal: Basic local app with Subject ID and tasting form.

- Create GitHub repo: `proof-of-taste`
- Set up Streamlit locally
- Build form UI for submitting and viewing notes
- Save data to local JSON files (e.g. `data/{subject_id}.json`)

Phase 2: Streamlit Cloud Hosting (Week 2)

Goal: Deploy public-facing app

- Push code to GitHub
- Create `requirements.txt`, `secrets.toml`
- Deploy via Streamlit Cloud

Phase 3: AWS S3 Integration (Week 3)

Goal: Move tasting logs to cloud storage

- Set up S3 bucket (`proof-of-taste-data`)
- Use `boto3` to save/load JSON logs
- Secure access using IAM roles and keys

Phase 4: AWS Lambda API (Week 4)

Goal: Add REST API via Lambda + API Gateway

- Build ingestion Lambda function
- Connect via API Gateway
- Update Streamlit to POST form data to API

Phase 5: NLP + Recommendations (Week 5–6)

Goal: Add flavor NLP and suggestion engine

- Use `spaCy` to extract flavors from notes
- Track preferences per Subject ID
- Recommend bourbons from curated dataset

Phase 6: Athena Query Layer (Optional)

Goal: Enable analytics and ad hoc queries

- Enable Athena over S3 logs
- Create SQL tables/views
- Expose insights via Streamlit dashboard

Repository Structure

```
proof-of-taste/  
|- app.py # Streamlit UI  
|- requirements.txt  
|- utils/  
|  |- s3_utils.py # AWS S3 helper  
|  |- nlp_utils.py # Flavor extraction  
|  |- recommender.py # Matching logic
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| - data/  
| | - bourbon_db.csv # Bourbon metadata  
| - .streamlit/  
| - secrets.toml # AWS keys (not committed)
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Tool Summary

Layer	Tool	Purpose
UI	Streamlit	Front-end app (deployed to Streamlit Cloud)
Code Repo	GitHub	Version control and CI/CD trigger
Storage	AWS S3	Log storage and raw data
Compute	AWS Lambda	Ingestion and analysis endpoint
SQL Query	AWS Athena	Optional analytics
Auth	Subject ID input	Light ID management (expandable)

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