Futuristic AR/VR Solution for Travel Planning

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01 Discover

Understanding the **travel industry** by identifying **user needs**, **analyzing trends**, **studying competitors**, and uncovering **challenges** and **opportunities**.



Travel and Tourism

An Introduction



- ➤ The travel and tourism industry is one of the largest and fastest-growing sectors worldwide.
- ➤ Market Size (2025): Expected to reach \$11.45 trillion.
- ➤ Growth Drivers: Increasing disposable income.
 - Improved travel infrastructure.
 - Growing interest in personalized experiences.





Trending Technologies

Travel & Tourism

01Virtual Reality

Virtual tours, immersive booking experiences.





O2Augmented Reality

Real-time navigation, interactive city guides.

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Artificial Intelligence — -

Personalized recommendations, chatbots, dynamic pricing.





Trending Technologies

Travel & Tourism



04 Blockchain

Secure payments, verified traveler identities.

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Contactless Technology -

QR check-ins, digital payments, biometric boarding.





06 Generative AI

Itinerary suggestions, dynamic packages, Al support.

MakeMyTrip

An Introduction

MakeMyTrip is India's leading online travel company. It offers a one-stop solution for all travel needs.



Offerings MakeMyTrip



Flight Bookings

Domestic and international flights with flexible options.



Hotel Reservations

Wide range of hotels from budget to luxury.



Holiday Packages

Customized travel packages for family, honeymoon, and more.



Bus & Train Bookings

Easy booking for buses and trains across India.



Car Rentals

Rent cars for self-drive or chauffeur-driven trips.



Travel Insurance

Protection for trip cancellations, medical emergencies, etc.





Competitors Overview



Expedia

Global travel platform for flights, hotels, cars, and vacation packages.



Google Travel

Aggregates flights, hotels, and activities with smart recommendations.



Booking.com

Leading hotel and flight booking site with flexible options.



TripAdvisor

Review-based platform for hotels, restaurants, and travel experiences.



Airbnb

Unique accommodations and local experiences directly from hosts worldwide.

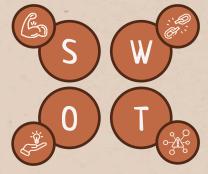


Cleartrip

Indian-based platform for booking flights, hotels, and trains.

SWOT Analysis Expedia

- Strong global presence
- Brand Recognition
- Comprehensive travel packages
- Established loyalty program
- Growth potential in emerging markets.
- Partnerships with airlines and hotels for exclusive deals.

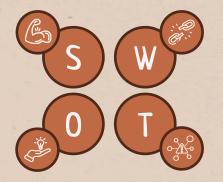


- Lack of deep personalization for trip planning.
- Inconsistent customer service across regions.
- Rising competition from Google Travel and Booking.com.
- Economic fluctuations affecting travel demand.

Expedia dominates the **travel market** with strong offerings but lacks **personalization**. Growing **Al-driven planning** and **partnerships** can boost its edge, but **competition** is tough.

SWOT Analysis Booking.com

- Extensive accommodation inventory with global reach.
- Strong brand trust and user loyalty.
- Expansion into flight and transport bookings.
- Al-driven personalized recommendations for better trip planning.

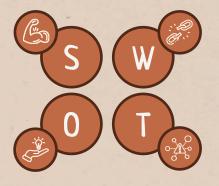


- Limited focus on integrated travel experiences.
- High service fees for partners.
- Competition from Airbnb and direct hotel bookings.
- Changing travel trends affecting hotel stays.

Booking.com excels in **accommodation booking** but lacks a connected **travel experience**. Expanding **Al-driven personalization** and **transport integration** can boost its **competitive edge**.

SWOT Analysis airbnb

- Unique, local, and personalized travel experiences.
- Strong community-driven.
- Wide variety of accommodations
- Expansion into flight and experience bundles.
- Leveraging AR/VR for immersive virtual property tours.



- Regulatory challenges in key markets.
- High service fees for both hosts and guests.
- Increasing government regulations on short-term rentals.
- Competition from hotels and traditional booking platforms.

Airbnb thrives on **unique stays** but faces **regulatory challenges**. Expanding **AR/VR experiences** and **bundling travel services** can strengthen its **market position**.

How Users Plan Their Trips

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Initial Research Phase

Start with Google, YouTube, Instagram for destination ideas.

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Package Preferences

Users prefer allin-one bundles (flights + hotel + experiences).



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Platform Usage

Majority use mobile apps for browsing and booking.



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Itinerary Building

Users often plan personalized itineraries on their own.



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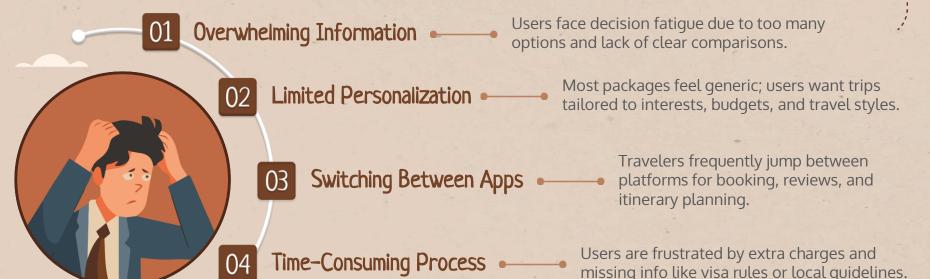
Reviews & Ratings

Heavily rely on user reviews and ratings.





Pain Points in Travelling



O5 Hidden Costs & Transparency Trip planning takes too long, especially for new travelers, causing them to give up.

Trends in Travel Booking

Mobile-first mindset

Users now prefer planning and booking trips directly from their phones.

Social media inspiration Instagram reels and YouTube vlogs

are driving travel decisions.

Shift toward experiences Users expect free cancellations, refunds,



More travelers are planning spontaneous trips with minimal lead time.

AI-driven personalization Smart recommendations based on

user behavior are becoming a norm.

Flexibility is key
Travelers prefer meaningful, local experiences over generic sightseeing.



and adjustable travel plans.





AR/VR in Travel

Virtual destination previews

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Users can explore places in 360° before making a booking.

Cultural experiences from home

Virtual heritage tours and festivals give a taste of local culture.

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Immersive hotel tours

AR/VR lets travelers walk through hotel rooms virtually.

AR navigation at destinations

On-trip AR guides help with maps, translations, and hidden gems.

Pre-trip planning with immersion

Travelers feel connected to the journey even before it begins.







Personalization Demand

One-size-fits-all is outdated

Users expect experiences tailored to their interests and mood.

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AI suggestions feel smarter

Custom trip planning is rising

Travelers want recommendations based on preferences, not popularity.

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Adaptive pricing expectations
Users look for deals aligned with their

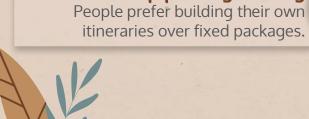
Users look for deals aligned with the budget and flexibility.

Personalized reminders/updates
Smart alerts for weather, delays, or

events enhance user trust.

Mood-based experiences

Travelers explore based on vibe – adventure, chill, cultural, romantic.





Stakeholder Mapping

Onion Model

Intermediate Layer

- Travel Agencies
- Tour Operators
- Hotels/Accommodation Providers
- Customer Support Teams

Surface Layer

- Marketing & Sales Teams
- Investors/Business Stakeholders
- Travel Influencers/Vloggers
- Frequent Travelers

Core Layer

- Travelers
- MakeMyTrip Product/Business Team



Personal Interview Questions

Primary Research

- How do you usually plan a trip?
- What platforms or tools do you use?
- Have you felt overwhelmed? What caused it?
- Do you prefer fixed package or custom plans?
- What features do you wish existed?
- Have you experienced AR/VR?
- What ruins or delays your trip planning?
- Would you feel confident booking if you could explore virtually?



Personal Interview Insights

Primary Research

- Most users search online, compare multiple sites, but feel confused and overwhelmed by scattered information.
- 80% of users start with Google searches, then move to MakeMyTrip, Booking.com, and YouTube for reviews.
- Many users feel overwhelmed due to too many package options, hidden costs, and lack of real visuals of destinations.
- 70% prefer customized trips but struggle because options are poorly visualized.
- Lack of transparent information, fake images, and complicated comparisons add to the confusion.
- Only a few have used AR/VR in gaming but are excited to use it in travel.











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Goals:

- Find well-reviewed, safe, and personalized travel options
- Save time during trip planning
- Explore destinations virtually before booking
- Book everything from **one platform** flights, stay, sightseeing

Frustrations/Pain Points:

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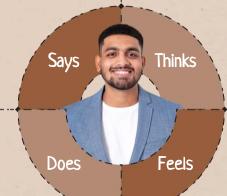
Why do I have to jump between so many apps?

I hope I'm making the right choices.

What if the hotel isn't like the pictures?

I need a better way to visualize my trip.

Spends hours comparing prices and reviews.



Planning a trip shouldn't be this exhausting.

Excited about traveling but anxious about decisions.

Watches YouTube videos to understand places.

Uses multiple apps fo flights, hotels, and activities

Curious to explore new tech like AR/VR.

Frustrated by the lack of clarity and personalization.

TRIP INSPIRATION

Browses Instagram, YouTube, travel blogs for ideas,

- Social media
- · Content platforms

RESEARCH & PLANNING

Checks MMT, Google, blogs for places & costs.

- Travel sites
- Review blogs

BUDGETING

Calculates flight + hotel + activities manually.

- Notes
- Spreadsheets
- Calculator

BOOKING

Books from different platforms, cross-verifies reviews.

- MMT
- Airbnb
- · Booking.com

PRE-TRIP PREP

Finalizes itinerary, packs, checks weather & docs.

ON TRIP

Follows itinerary, adjusts based on live situations.

- Calendar
- Checklist apps

- Google Maps
- Guides
- Local Apps

Too many sources, no clear direction.

Scattered info, not personalized, no immersive experience.

No single-view costing, hidden charges.

Needs multiple logins, lack of trust, no previews.

Scattered info, can't preview actual journey.

Real experience doesn't match expectations.

Curate personalized inspiration using interestbased filters or mood boards. Introduce AR-based previews, Al-driven suggestions, and all-in-one planning.

Provide a visual cost breakdown & autocalculated budget view. Enable VR tours of hotels, AR package comparisons, single-login booking. Offer a 360° itinerary walkthrough with interactive weather & checklist tools.

Add AR travel guides, live trip assistance, adaptive suggestions.











Problem Statement

Planning a trip is often **fragmented** and **overwhelming** for users due to **scattered information**, **lack of personalization**, and **limited immersive previews**. This leads to **confusion**, **decision fatigue**, and **uncertainty** during the travel planning and booking process.



How Might We

Statements



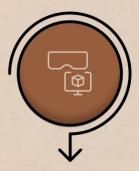
How might we reduce the overwhelming nature of travel planning for users?



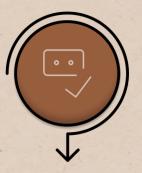
How might we centralize fragmented information into a single, seamless experience?



How might we personalize trip planning based on user preferences and behavior?



How might we use AR/VR to provide immersive previews of destinations and stays?

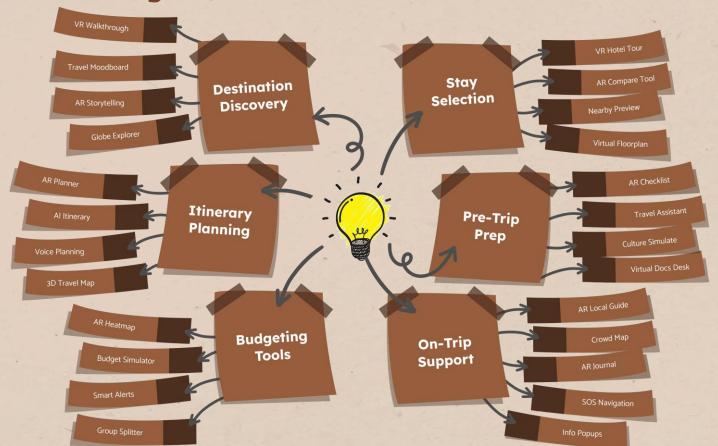


How might we help users make confident decisions without the fear of missing out or poor choices?





Brainstorming



Feasibility

- Higher conversions through immersive AR/VR previews of trips.
- Increased engagement time → Better chances of booking.
- Opportunity to offer premium add-ons (e.g., VR previews, AR-based guides).
- Enhances brand perception as an innovative platform.
- Encourages user-generated content (travel journaling via AR).
- Allows for **strategic partnerships** (e.g., VR content from tourism boards or hotels).
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Viability

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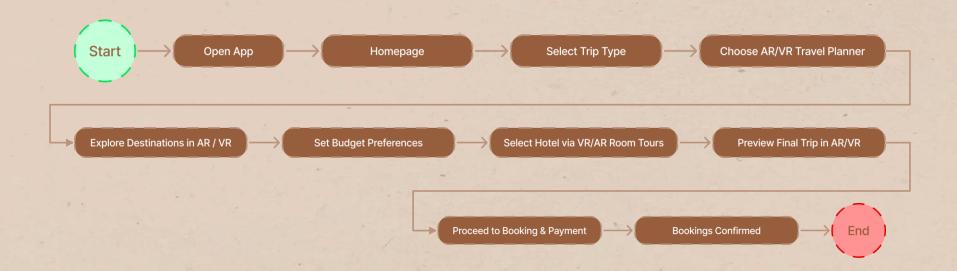
Desirability

- Users want a more engaging way to explore holiday packages.
- They often feel overwhelmed with too many options and no clarity.
- Need for trust: Realistic previews build confidence in decisions.
- Travelers want personalized planning without doing tons of research.
- Younger users love **tech-driven experiences** (AR/VR feels futuristic).
- Planning with family/friends is easier when visuals are **shared**.



Task Flow

A user opens the MakeMyTrip app to plan a vacation with friends. They select the trip type and choose the new **AR/VR Travel Planner** feature. Using immersive previews, they explore destinations, set their budget, and take a virtual tour of hotels. After customizing and finalizing the trip in AR/VR, they proceed to book.

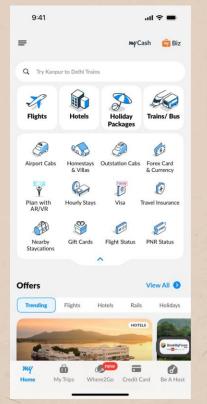


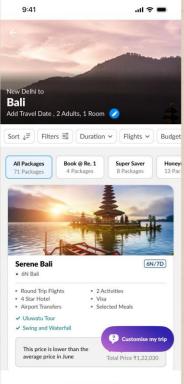


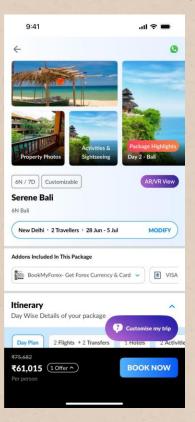




Wireframes Concept Visualization







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