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### **Aesthetic:**

I wanted to create a very clean layout that did not involve clutter or too much color, as I did not want to take attention away from the photos. The photos stand out a lot more against a white background with minimal distractions. The photos are displayed in a typical manner for albums, in which the images appear in a grid style with the size of the grid changing depending on which page you are on.

### **Functionality:**

The navigation makes it fairly easy for the user to figure out how to get from page to page and what each page does. The login page is located on the home page, so a user can immediately sign in to enjoy the full functionality of the site. The only page a not logged in user cannot access is the Modify page, so when they click on that page, they are told to log in to access the page with a link to the home page. The Modify page includes everything that involves deleting, adding, or editing an image or album. I thought having all these functionalities on one page was the best way to organize it, so if a user wants to modify multiple things, they do not have to go through multiple pages. The search function is a little limiting in which a user cannot search multiple words at one time and the query must exactly match a value in the field. For example, the search "beaches" won't return anything containing "beach", but "bea" will return anything containing "beaches". The search functionality is not case-sensitive though.

I have filled in the thumbnails in my albums list, which I had not implemented in earlier milestones. Previously, I had also let the users enter in anything for the captions, credits, and titles of albums and images, only limiting the length. I decided to be a little pickier with the input this time around. Users can also now add images without selecting an album, which did not work last milestone. Additionally, there is now a message that appears once a modification has been successfully completed, so the user knows that something happened.

### **WOW:**

- All images are shown on the Images page whether or not it is in an album
- Multiple image sizes accomplished with CSS. The way images are displayed is different on the Images page vs. the Search page vs. the detail view.