



INTRODUCTION TOUX DESIGN

AGENDA





- ABOUT PLASTIC
- MOBILE UX OVERVIEW
- WHAT WE'VE LEARNED
- OUR APP PROCESS

QUESTIONS



JASON HYDE VP, Creative and User Experience

- 14 years experience in digital advertising, design focused
- Manage a team of UX architects, UI designers and strategists at Plastic
- Present high level creative and strategic approach to clients
- Classically trained in art and design

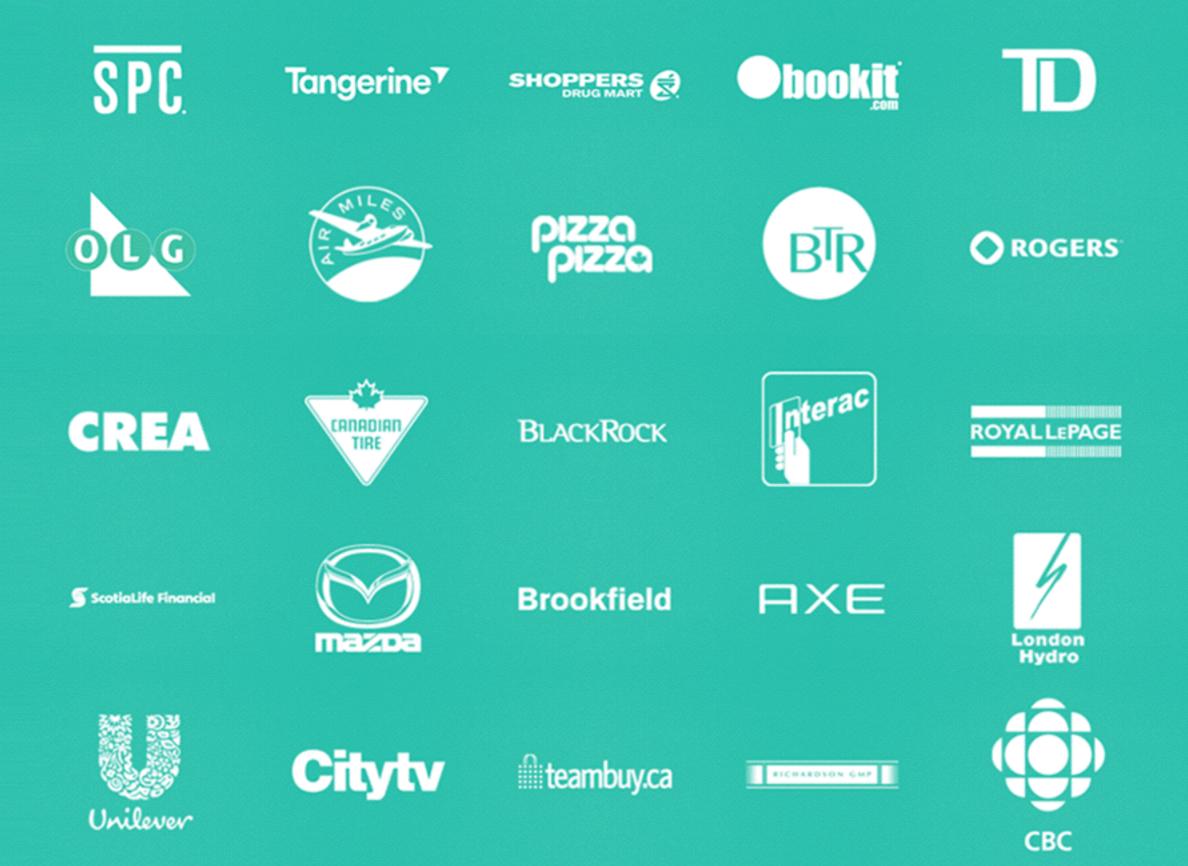


AMIR NEDAEI Sr. UX Architect

• 4 years in user experience

- Oversees and develops UX architecture for all client work
- Is the bridge between creative and development
- Studied information architecture at U of T

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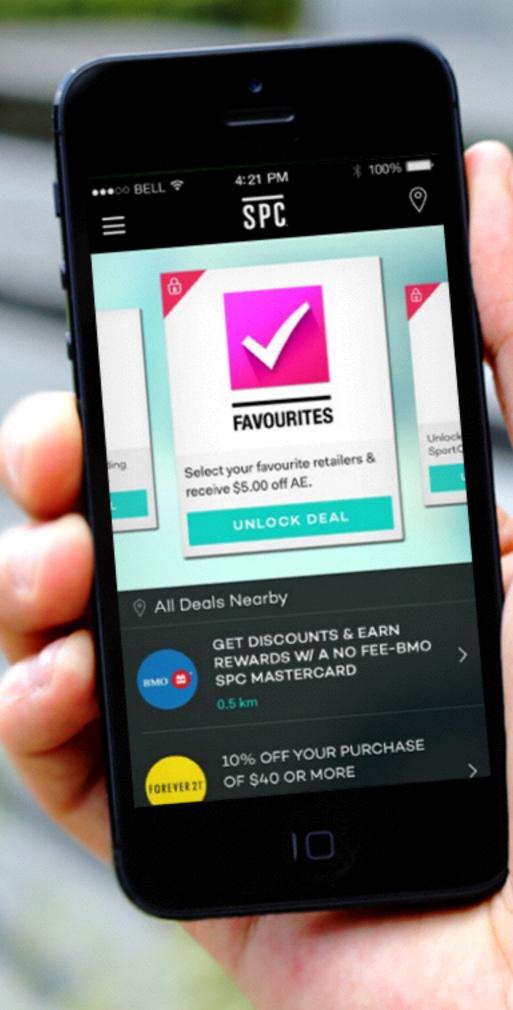


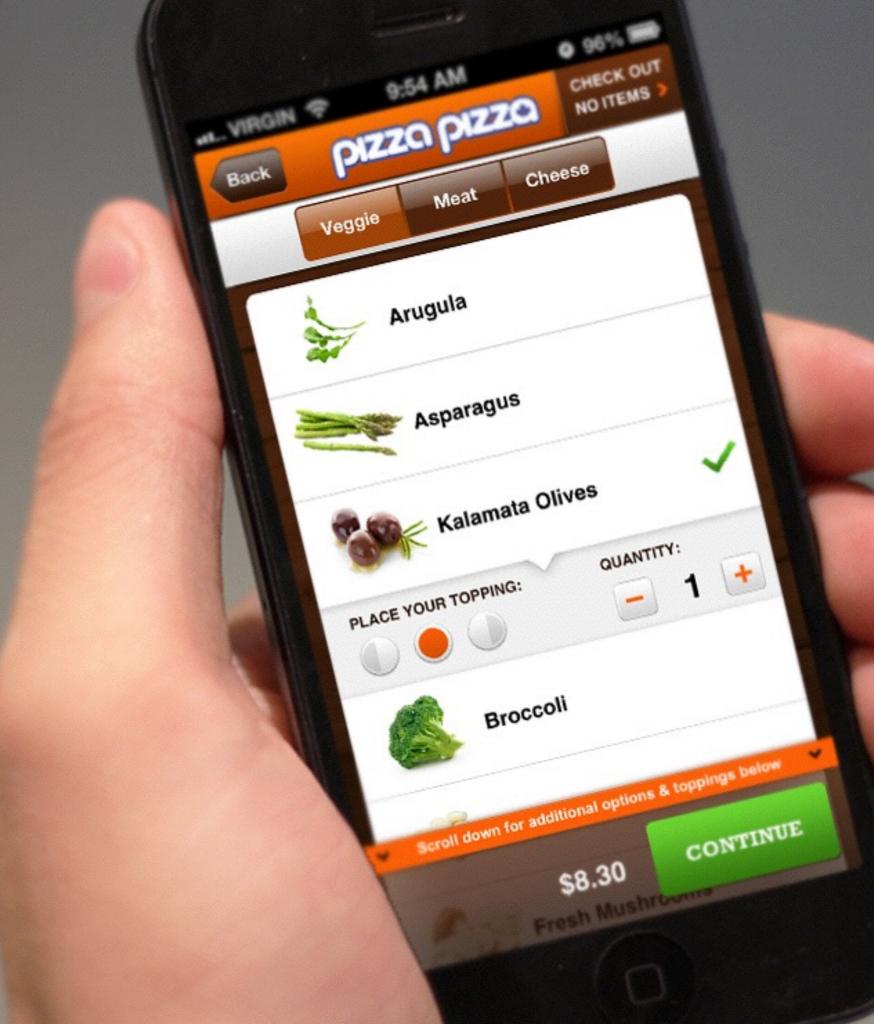
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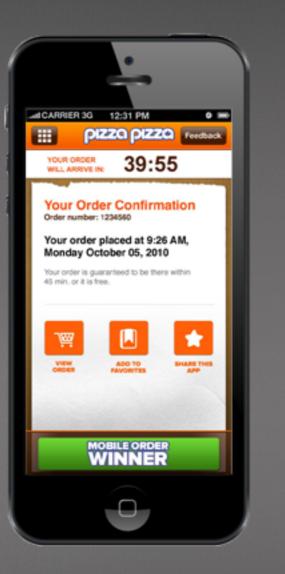




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WHAT IS UX?

The overall experience of someone using a product and it's ability to meet expectations of use.



WHAT IS GOOD UX?

To not only meet, but exceed those expectations.



UX FOR MOBILE

Physical interaction, tap, swipe and gestures

- Smaller screens for content
- More advanced features than found on the web
- Each action requires more commitment (no rollovers)



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CAN THEY TELL HOW IT WORKS BY LOOKING AT IT?



EXAMPLE: THE OFFICE DOOR







USERS DON'T ALWAYS READ

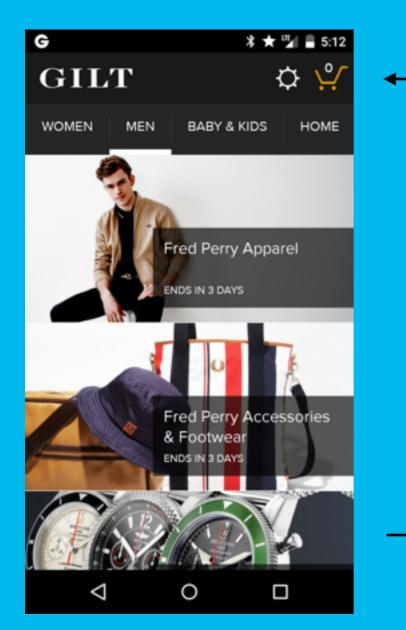


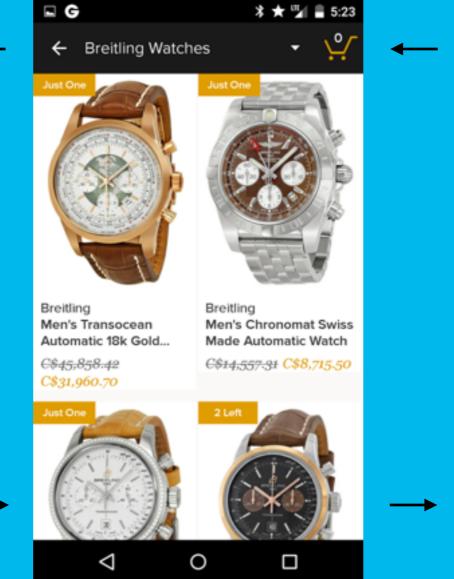


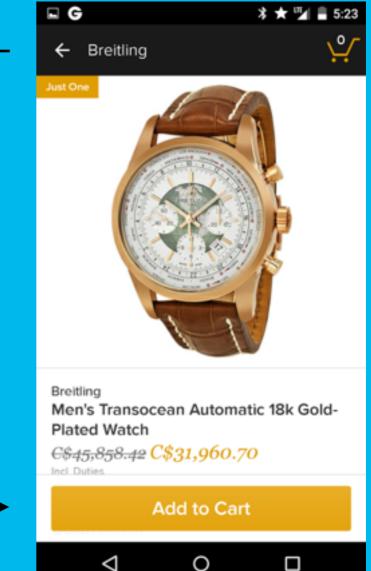
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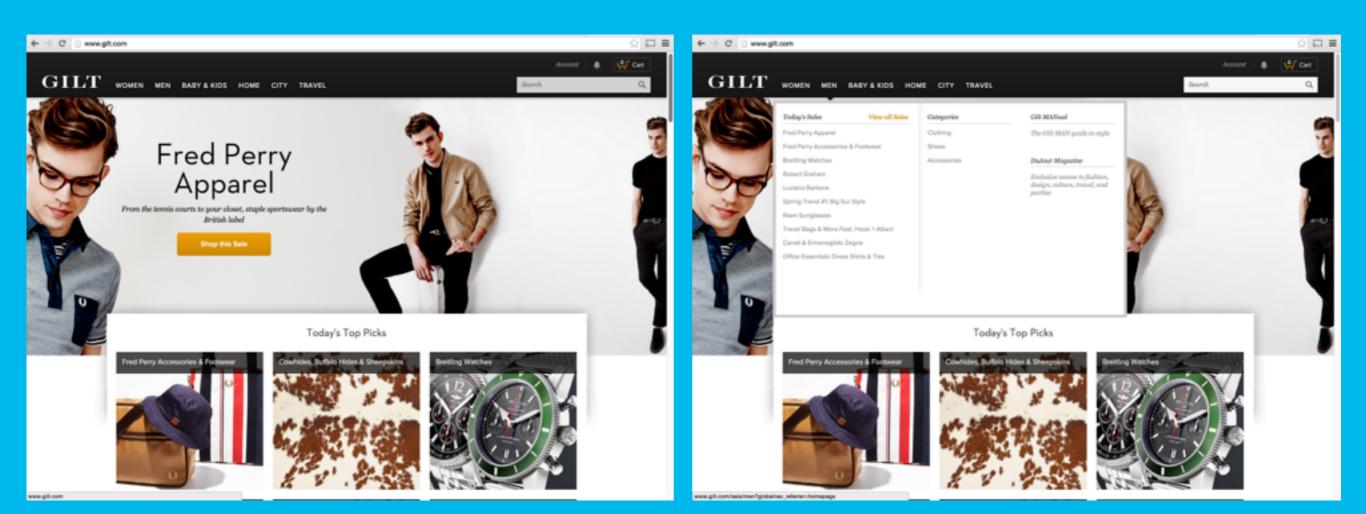






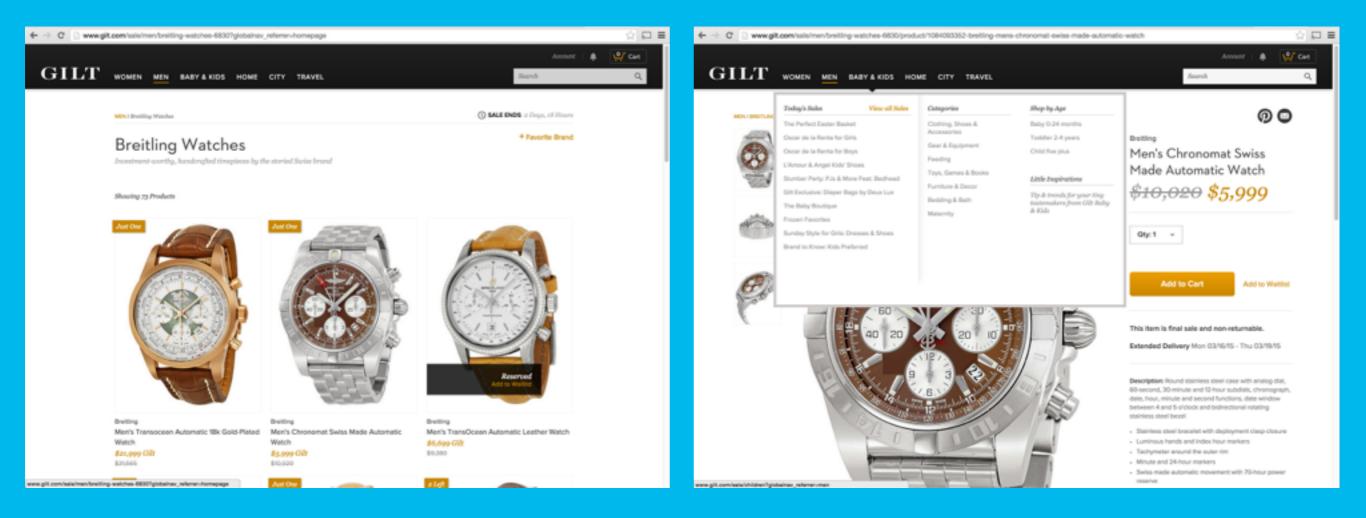
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NAVIGATING CONTENT

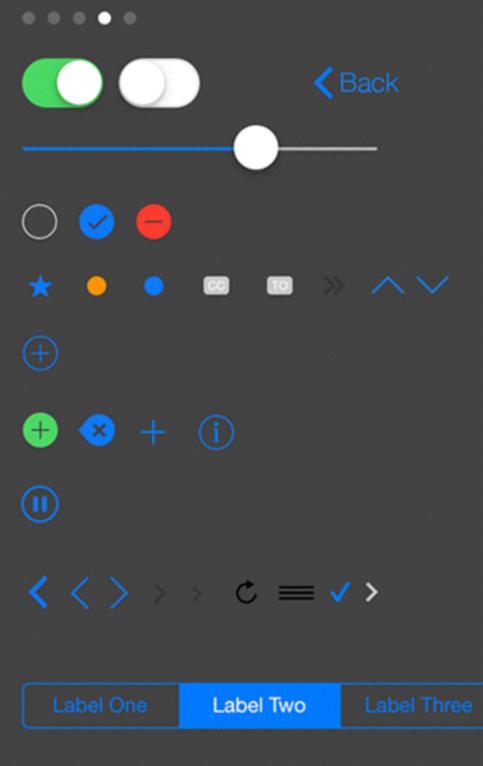
- Simplest for average users to navigate
- Show enough information to know where they are going
- Follow 3 tap max rule for all content



THE ANATOMY OF APP UI

Working with Native UI kits and layouts to build your app.

ANATOMY: NATIVE NAVIGATION ELEMENTS



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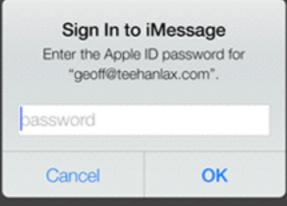
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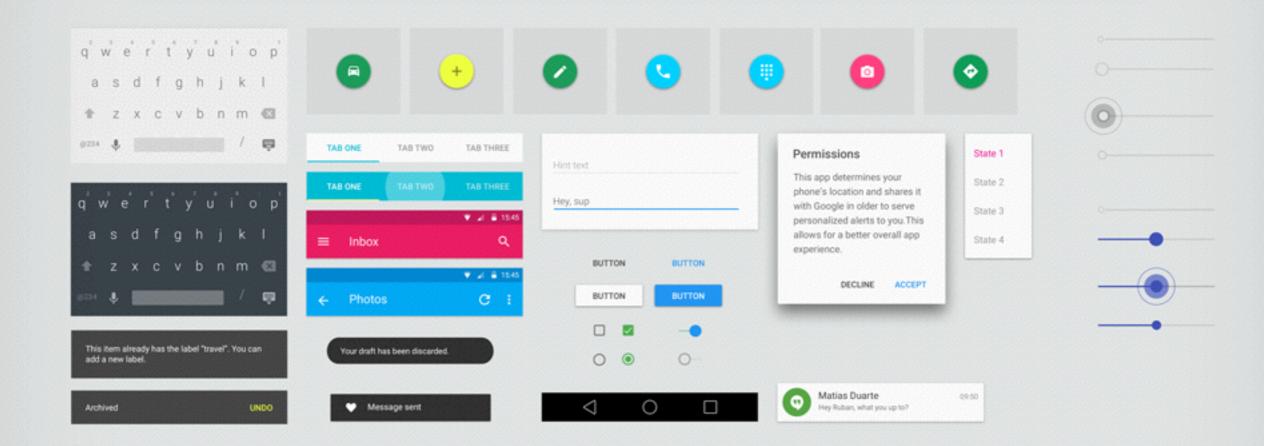
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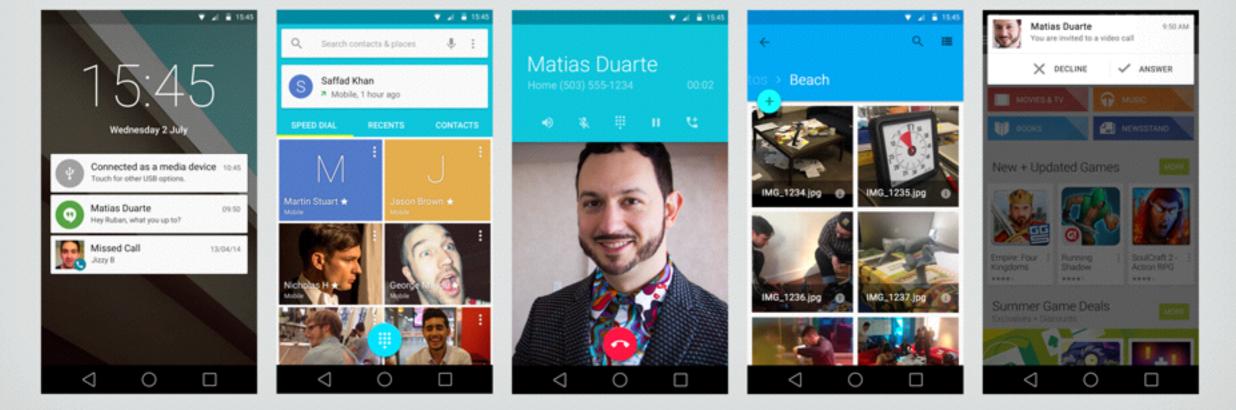
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ANATOMY: NATIVE NAVIGATION ELEMENTS







UI KITS-STARTING POINT

- As a resource for font sizes and faces
- For all page layouts and to help streamline content
- For non-custom icons and navigation
- For consistency between pages
- add custom styling after basic page structure is determined



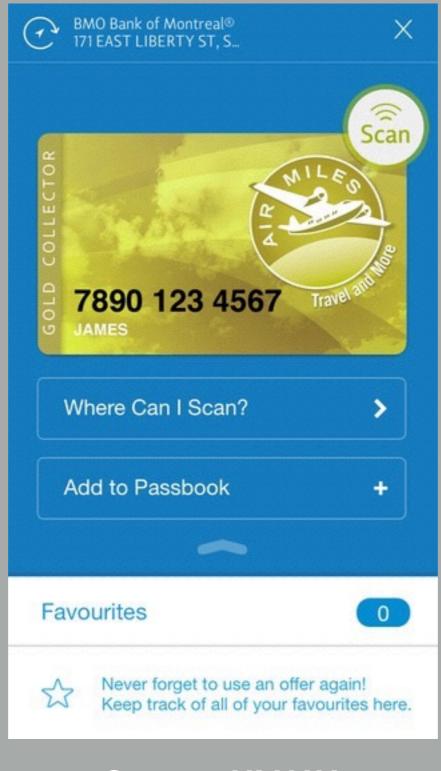
INNOVATION: CREATING SOMETHING NEW

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CUSTOM VS NATIVE UI

MOBILE: CUSTOM UI



Custom UI NAV



NATIVE UI: PROS+CONS

- Faster to implement and great for standard content
- Requires less user testing
- Can be limited on the types of features it can handle
- Can be visually limiting, and may not provide a unique app experience



CUSTOMUI: PROS+CONS

- For features and content not possible in native UI layouts
- Require some sort of demo or visual cue to understand
- Take longer to develop
- Gives the ability to create a truly unique experience
- Must be user tested and handled with care



WHAT WE'VE LEARNED ABOUT GOOD UX

From hundreds of hours of user testing.

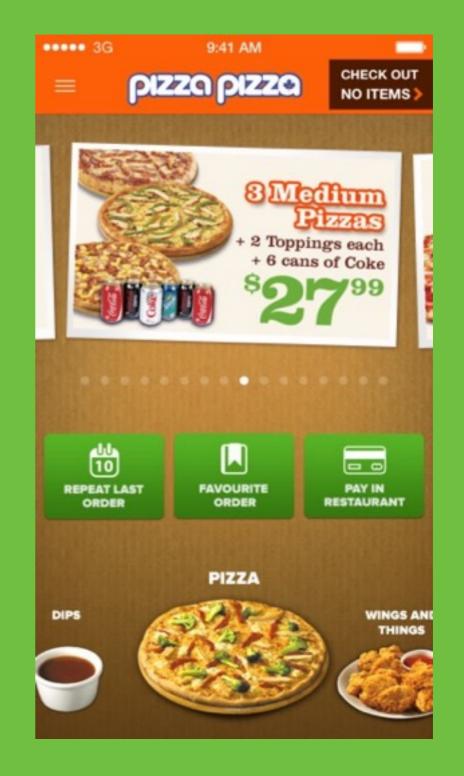


"DESIGN FOR WHAT PEOPLE WILL USE IT FOR 95% OF THE TIME"

- Yahoo Apps



- The user depends heavily on the main screen
- Will only explore when they are "stuck"
- Represents the core of your app





THE NAVIGATION DEBATE

FACEBOOK: UX TIMELINE

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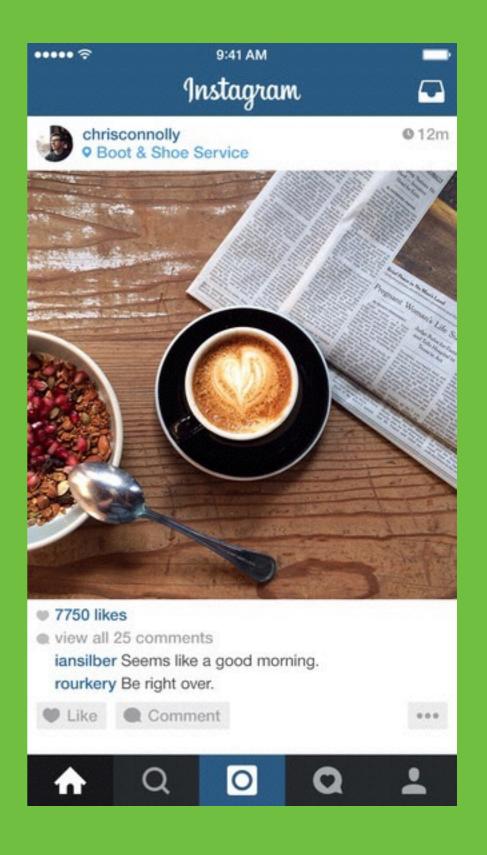
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WHAT WE'VE LEARNED: BEST PRACTICES

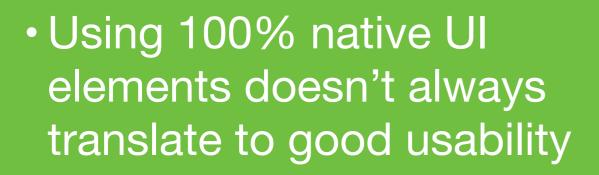
- Users expect 100% functionality from the web + 10% more
- Less is more, especially when it comes to navigation

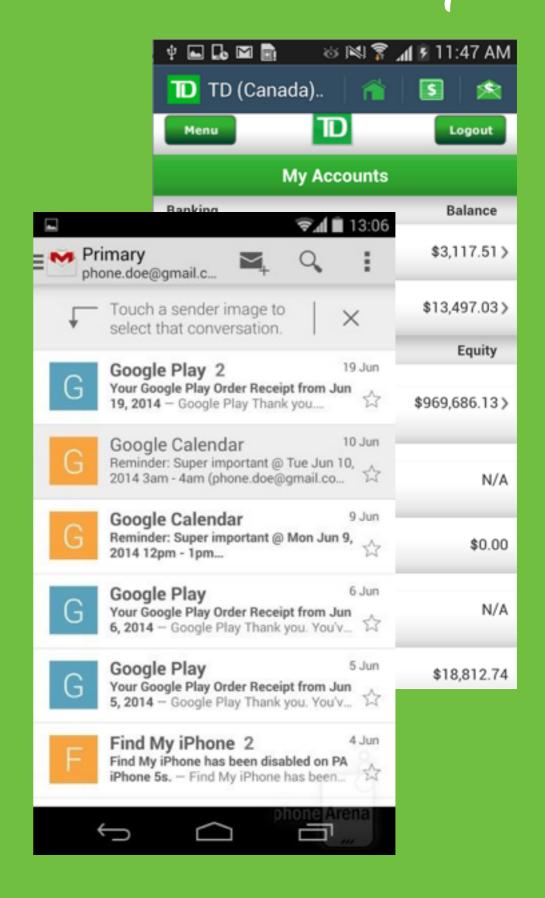


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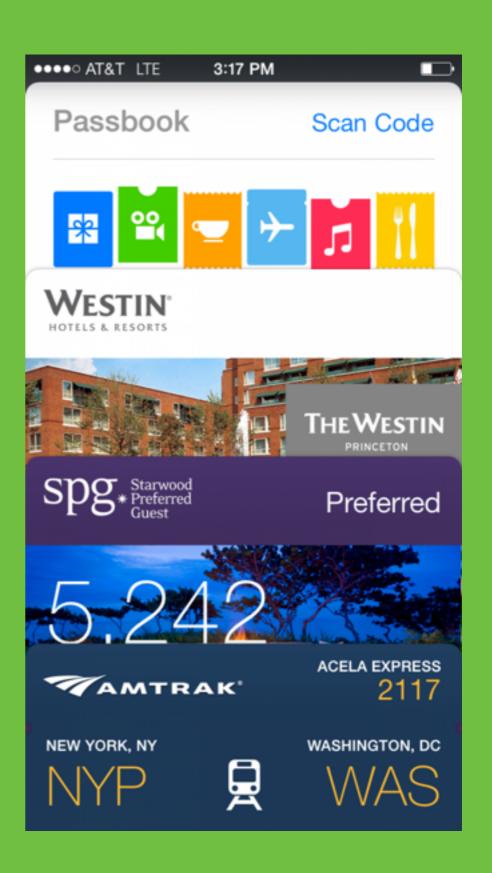
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WHAT WE'VE LEARNED: BEST PRACTICES

- Visual cues and animations are key in helping a user understand any action
- Can make things look faster (performance)



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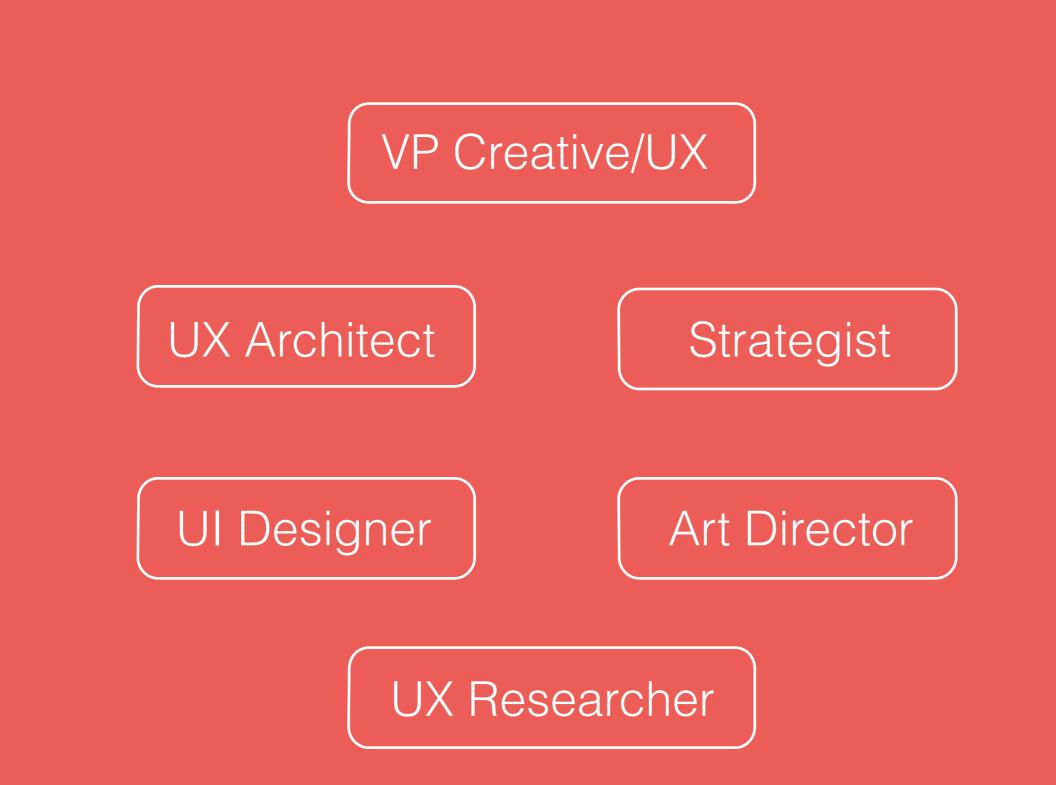


OUR APP PROCESS



UX TEAM







PITCH PHASE: FEATURE CONCEPTS











DISCOVERY



LEARN THE BUSINESS

- How will they measure success?
- Do they have the technology infrastructure needed?
- Follow the money and find business insights
- How can mobile add value to their customers?



KNOW THE USER

- Android or iOS? Users expect platform specific interfaces
- Age range/demographic? Will influence the type of language used, imagery and content
- Heavy or Casual? Heavy users understand native UI very well, while casual may not
- Motivation for using your app?

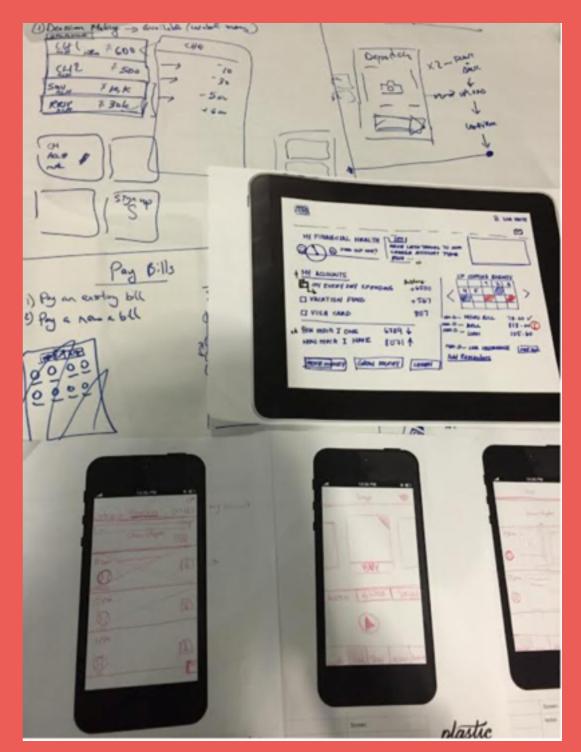


WIREFRAMES + PROTOTYPES



Paper Prototypes

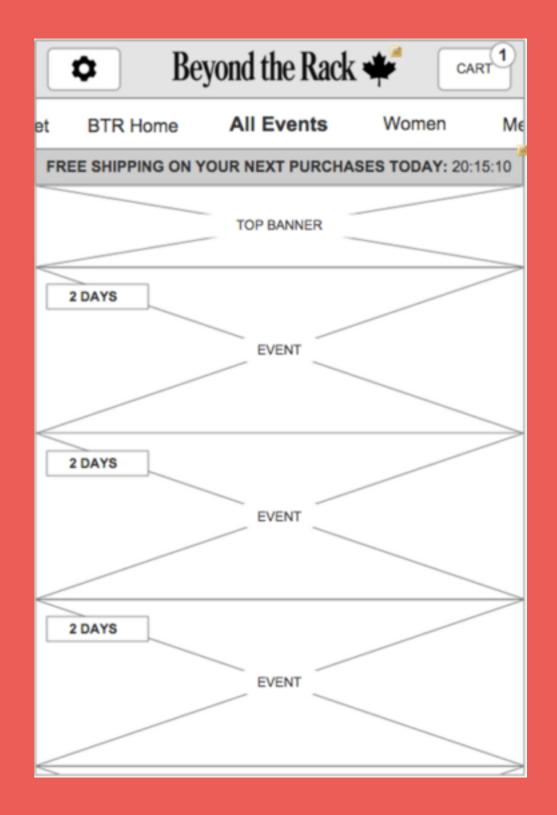
- Creating rough, even handsketched, drawings of an interface
- Allows for quick on the fly changes
- Allows for cheap and quick informal usability testing in the earliest stages of a project.





Low Fidelity Digital Wireframes

- Are complete with annotations, flow diagrams, and any other supplementary information that will aid designers and technical architects
- Fully detailed, leaving nothing to interpretation for design
- Allows for cheap and quick informal usability testing in the earliest stages of a project.



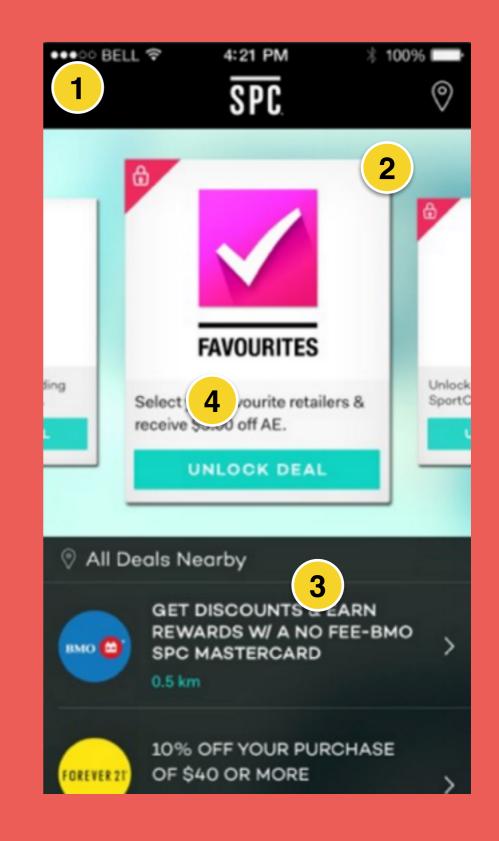


UIDESIGN



High Fidelity Digital Wireframes

- Are as close to the final product as can get prior to development
- Include annotations and animation examples for developers
- Can be easily converted to a working prototype for very accurate usability testing





DEVELOPMENT



QUESTIONS?