

TEAM LOON





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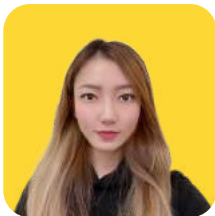


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Background

Birds play a big role in our ecosystems and the health of our planet, but many people lack awareness and access to basic information about birds in their region— especially on a child friendly (and fun) platform.

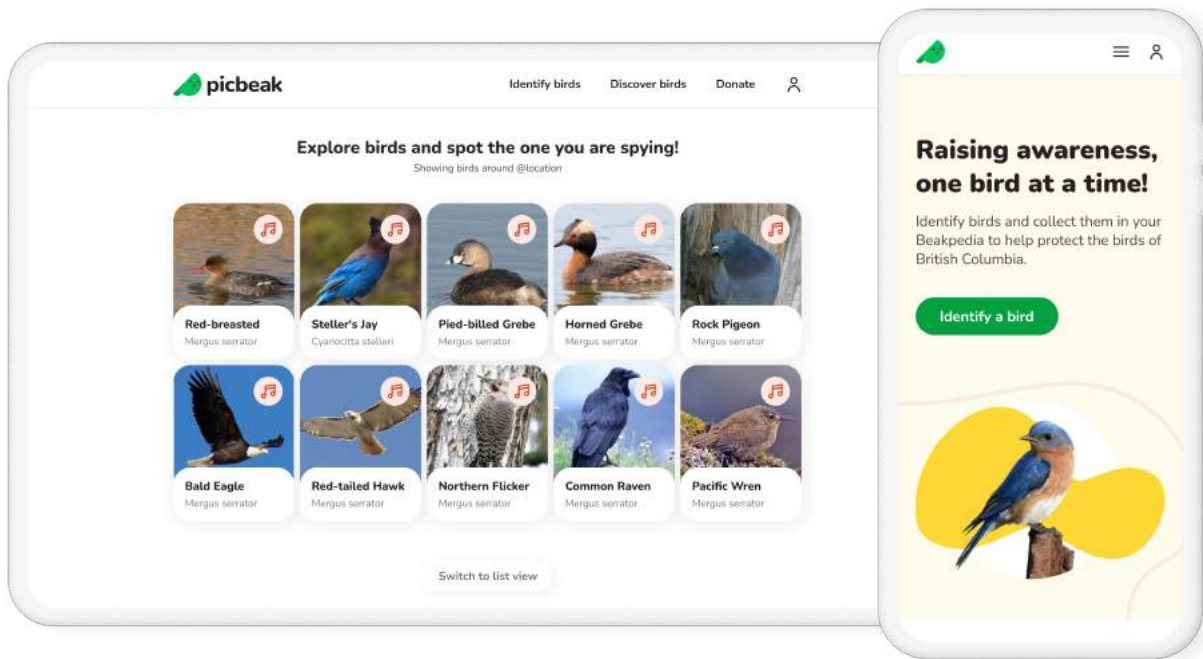
Since 1970 North America has seen a 29% decline in it's bird population—that loss means there are roughly 3 billion less birds gracing our skies today.

This large decrease in bird populations can have far reaching consequences, so increasing awareness of birds and their habitats is even more important.

Children and youth that learn about their environment have a better understanding of how their decisions and actions can affect it—this is key to building a sustainable future.



Solution



Picbeak is an application that provides educational information about region specific bird species, encouraging children to be aware of local birds and endangered species.

By utilizing geo-location, users can identify birds they spot in the wild and add them to their personal virtual 'beakpedia' collection where they can track their progress and unlock new features.

Users are learning about birds, how to protect them and how to deal with wildlife—all while having fun!

Users can also support professional organizations that are working to protect birds by visiting our partner page and selecting organizations to support, they will then be redirected to the organizations' donation page.

Main Features



Identify

Users navigate through potential matches to identify the bird they're spotting via image and audio. Users can select the bird to view details and add it to their *Beakpedia*.



Discover

Users can explore various bird species with Picbeak's search and filter feature to find birds based on name, conservation status, or location to learn more about birds.



Collect

Logged in users can add birds they've spotted to their *Beakpedia* collection, unlocking new profile portraits and building their own bird photo collection.



Donate

Users can find local organizations that aid in bird conservation to donate to. Picbeak serves as a showcase for them and redirect users to their donation's page.

Business Plan

Opportunities

- Lack of knowledge of local bird species.
- No child focused digital location to share/catalog bird discoveries and find viewing locations.
- Lack of awareness of bird population declines impact on the environment
- No platform that integrates bird focused data and gamification to create an interactive children's platform.

Competitive Advantage

Use of gamification to specifically target children in this educational platform. Profile to collect birds, gallery to add photos of birds you've collected and custom portraits and illustrations as rewards.

Target Market

- Children and their parents/guardians
- Organizations focused on bird conservation
- Zoos
- Birders (avid birdwatchers)

Customer Success

- Number of active users
- Growth of user photo archive
- Number of premium subscribers

Marketing and Sales





















- Advertisements on platforms such as TikTok, Twitter, Youtube, and Instagram.
- Partnerships with schools and outdoor education programs/ organizations.

Monetization

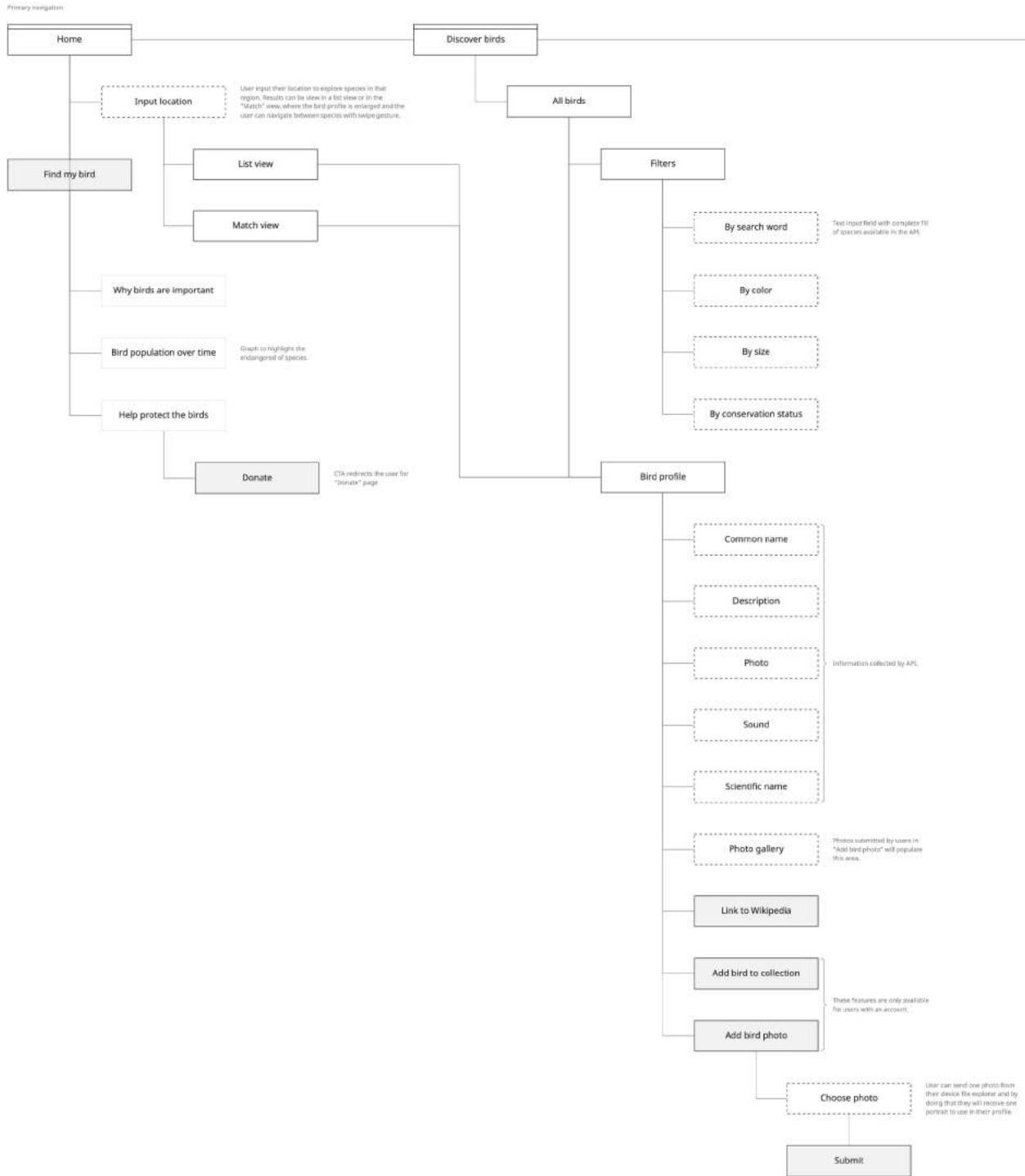
- Partner Listings: Environmental organizations that support bird habitats and populations can pay an annual fee of \$250 to be listed on our partner page.
- Freemium Model: Users have access to a limited amount of storage space and have limited collection sizes when using the free model, once the quota is reached users can pay \$5/month to upgrade to premium. With the premium level users have unlimited storage space and collection sizes.



Competitors

	 picbeak	 WIKIPEDIA The Free Encyclopedia	 The Cornell Lab Merlin	 Google
Bird identifier				
Discover birds				
Gamification features				
Child-focused				

User Flow



Donate

Conservation organizations

Donate

Button takes the user to an external page to donate to the partner website.

Login

Forget password

Sign up

Email/password/nickname

Cancel/create

User doesn't need to create an account to see the content, just to use features like "Bird Collection" and "Add bird/photo".

Profile

Bird collection

Gamification feature that the user can check the birds that they saw, similar to a "Pokedex".

Remove bird

Cancel/remove

Edit bird

Cancel/save

Profile information

Nickname

Edit/save

Portrait

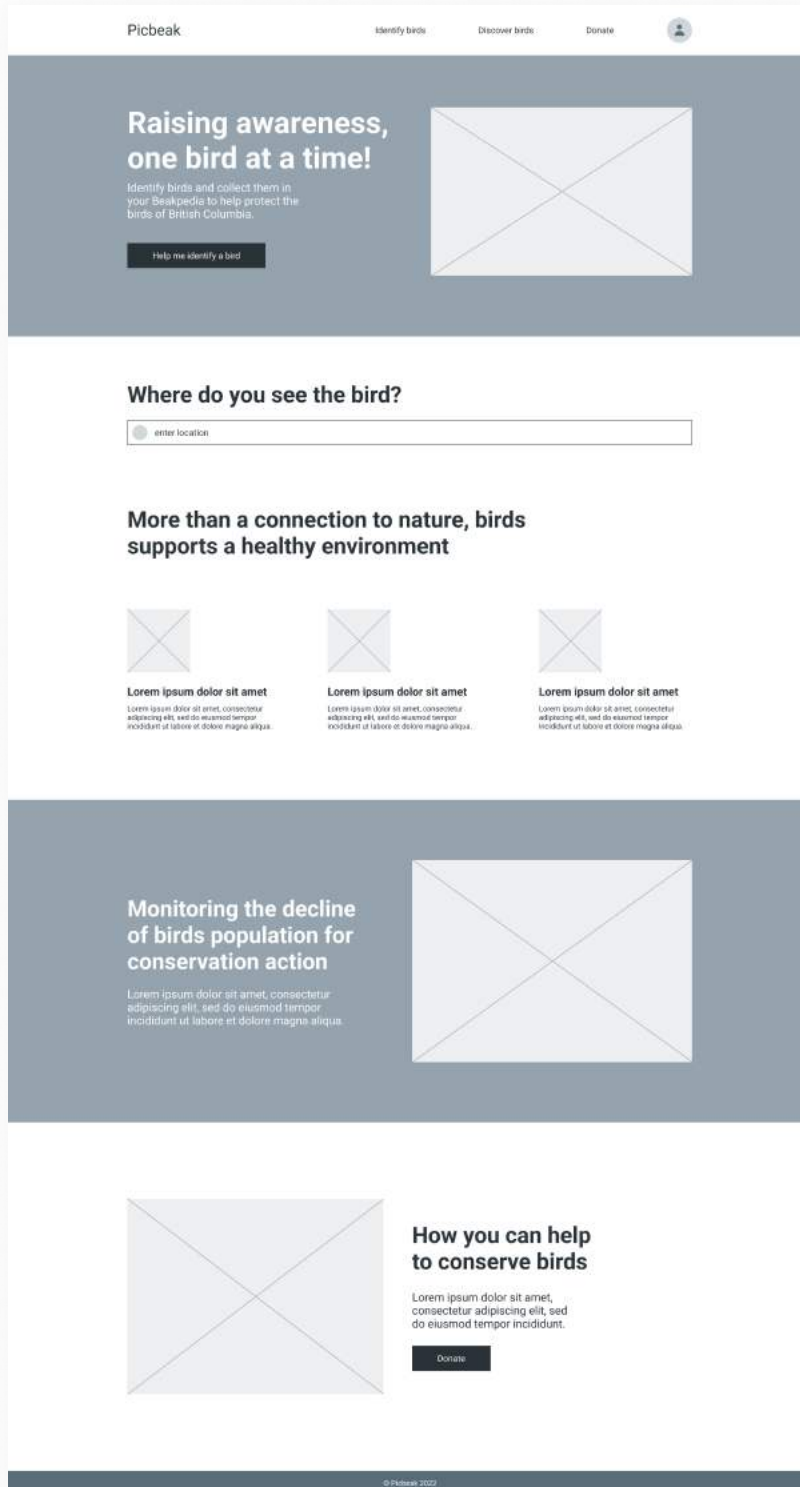
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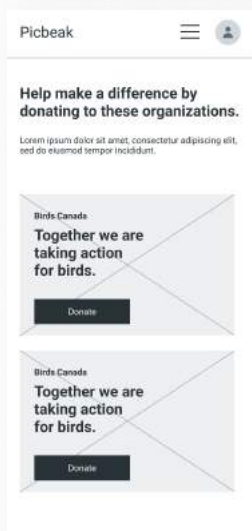
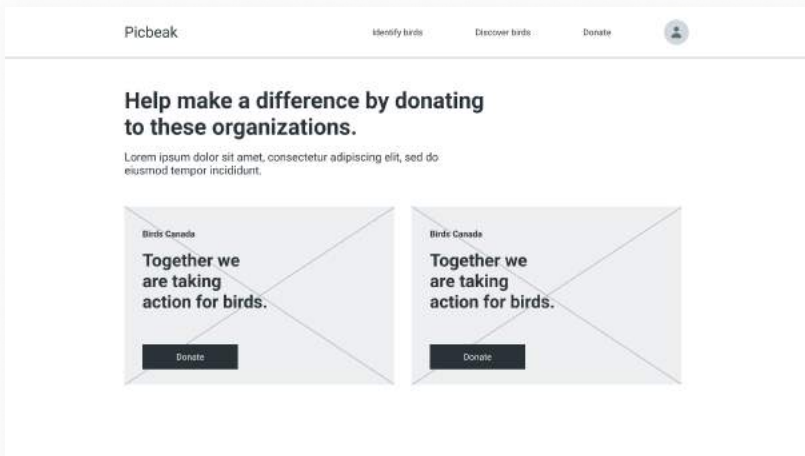
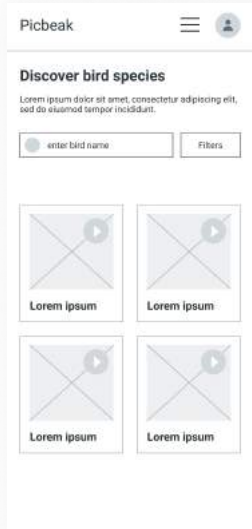
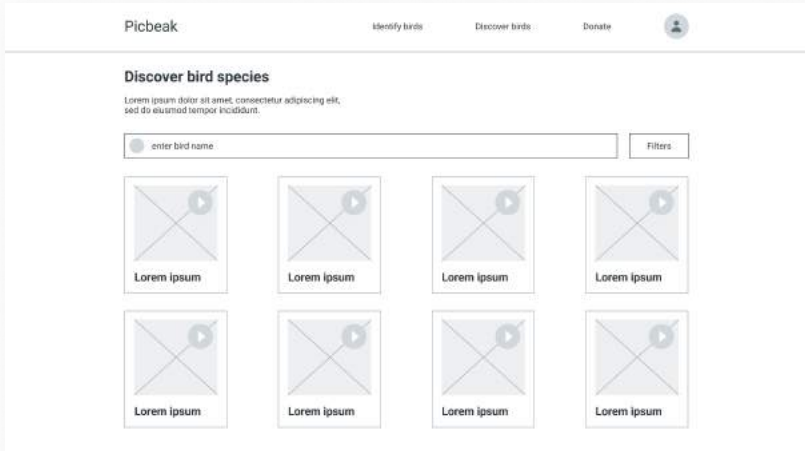
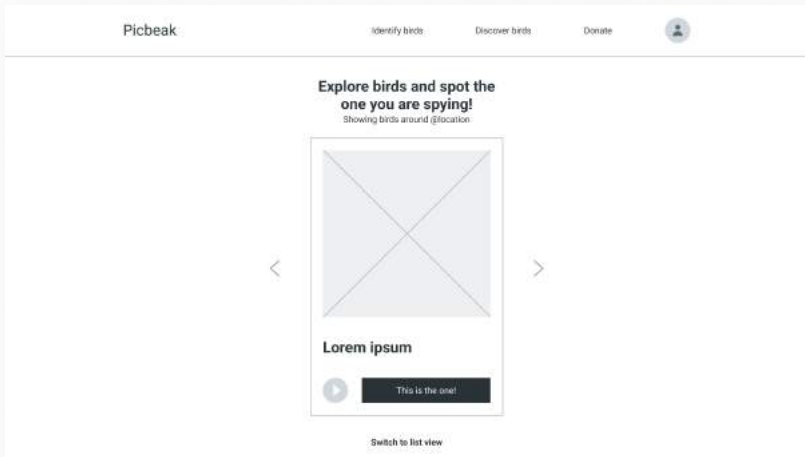
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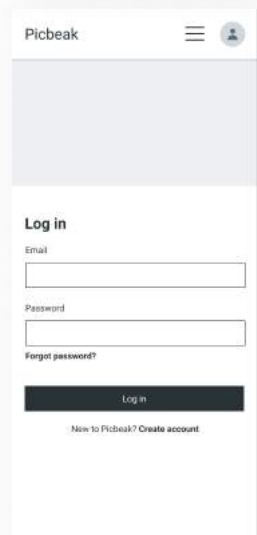
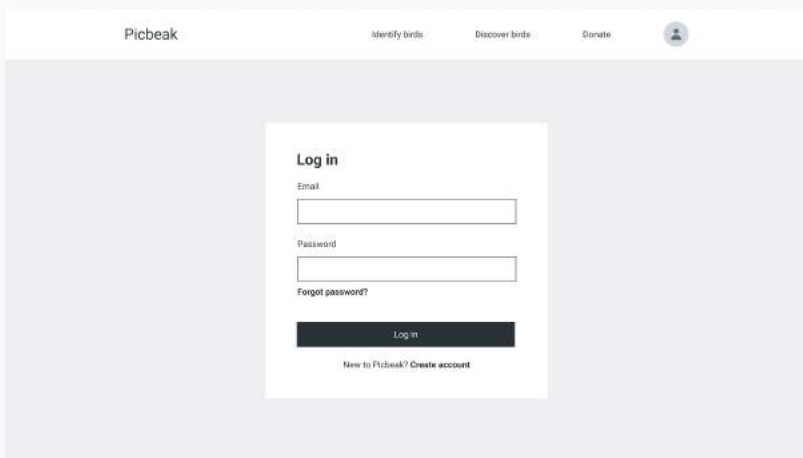
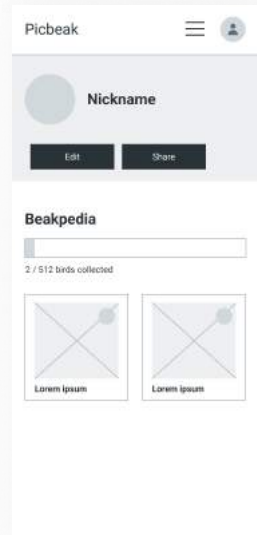
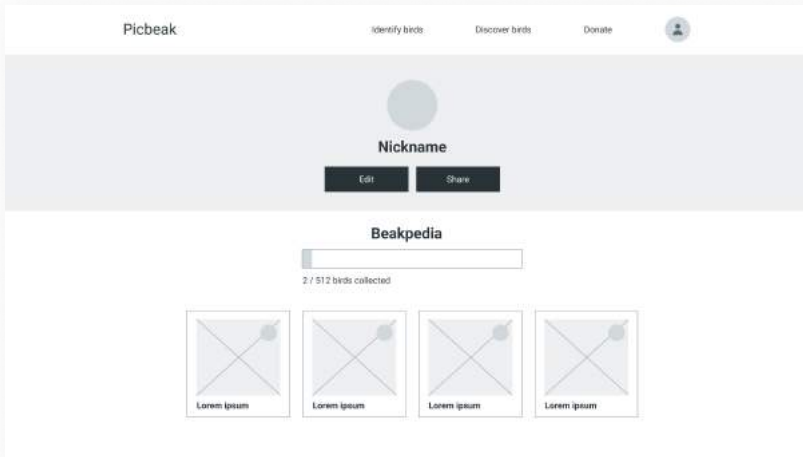
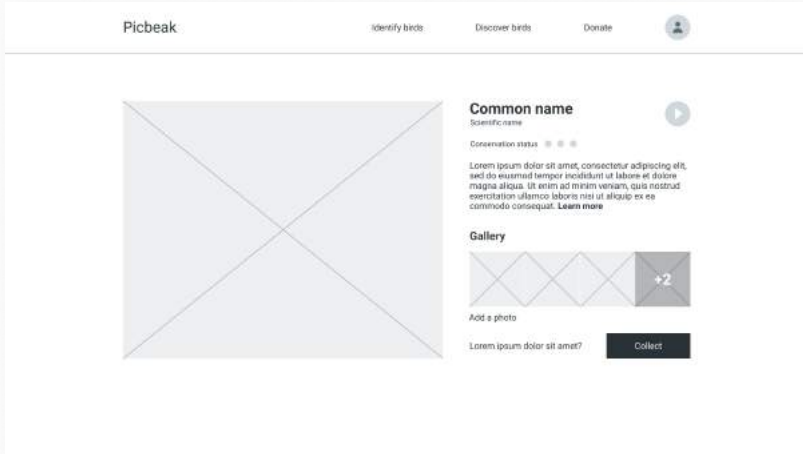
User can share their profile page link to show off the birds that they have seen.

Logout

Wireframes







Brand

The most recognizable element—our brand's name comes from combining the words picture/pick + beak.

Our logo has an inspirational and quirky look by representing the P of our brand with our mascot: Bea, the bird.

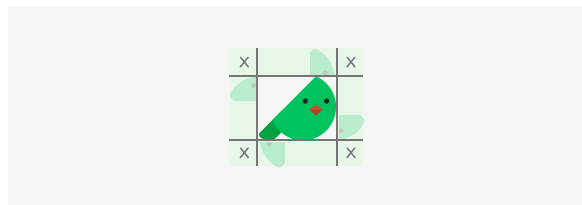
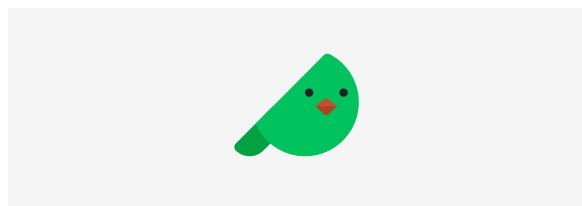
Logos

Primary Logo



x = height of letter a

Icon Logo



x = 1/3 of the width

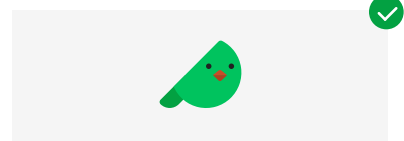
Dos and Don'ts



Apply logo with white text on dark backgrounds.



Apply logo with black text on light backgrounds.



Use Icon when it's not possible to use the full.



Don't use the logo on color backgrounds.



Don't modify or distort the logo.



Don't use the logo with image backgrounds.

User Interface Kit

Fav icon



Colors



Labels

Low conservation concern

High conservation concern

Moderate conservation concern

Icons



Buttons

Default



Hover



Disabled



Input fields

Label

Label

Label

Error

Typography

Nunito Regular

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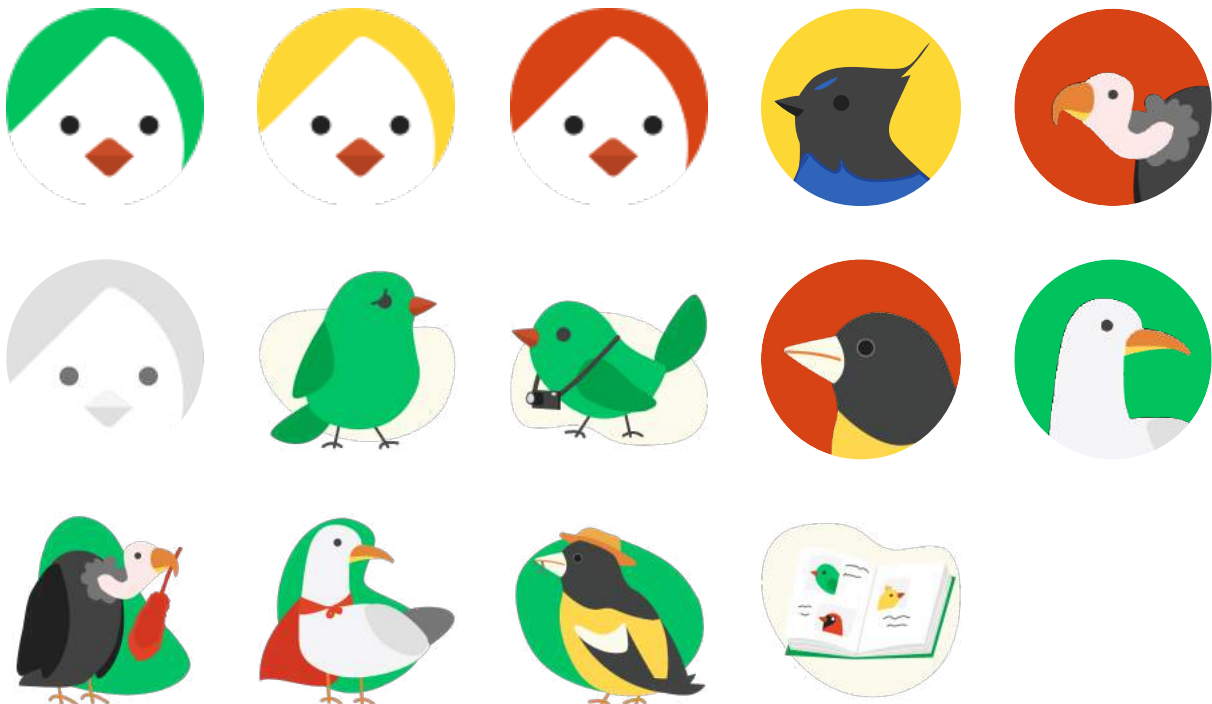
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Illustrations

The illustrations created by our team's designer connect our product with children by conveying a friendly and playful narrative.

We use illustrations to represent our brand and personality, speak directly to users, tell stories, and indicate the product's state, like error and success.



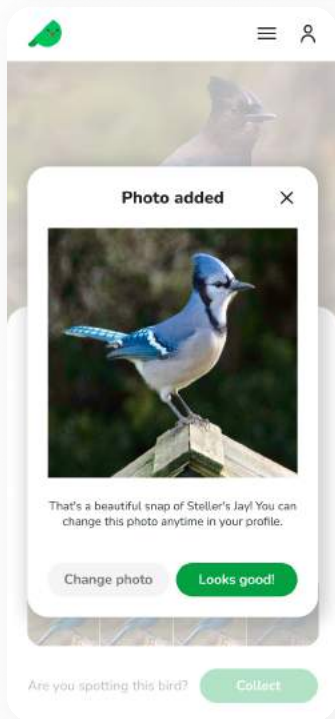
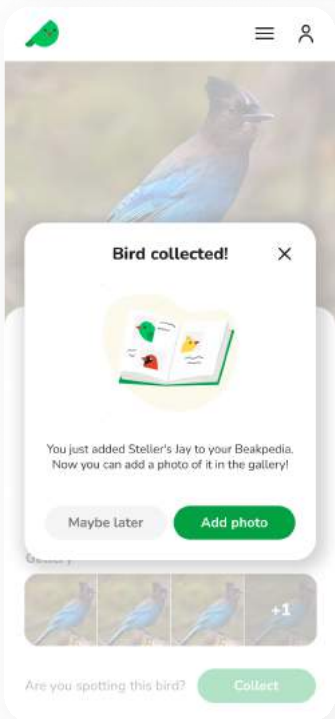
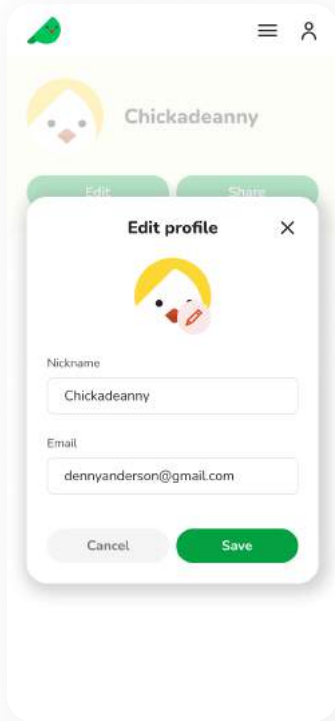
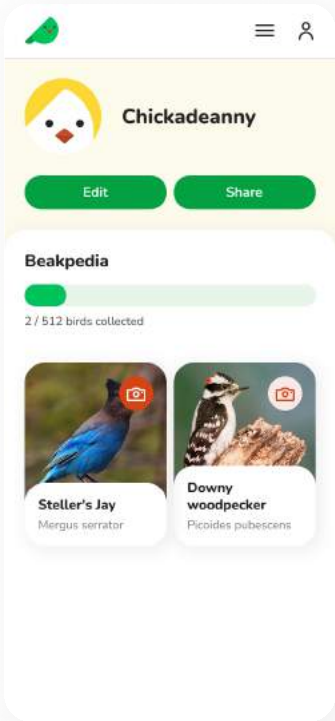
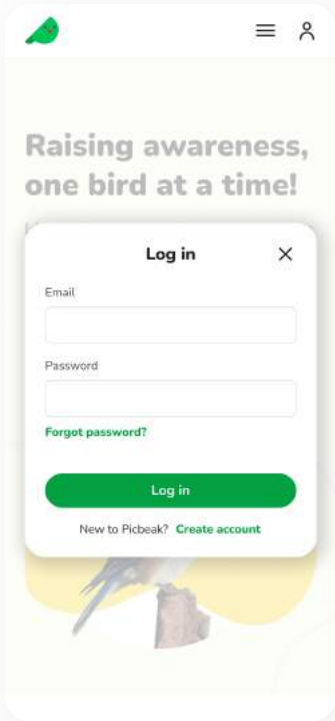
Mock-ups

The desktop mockup features a white header with the Picbeak logo on the left and navigation links for 'Identify birds', 'Discover birds', 'Donate', and a user profile icon on the right. The main content area has a light yellow background with a large image of a bird perched on a branch. The headline reads 'Raising awareness, one bird at a time!' followed by a sub-headline: 'Identify birds and collect them in your Beakpedia to help protect the birds of British Columbia.' A green button labeled 'Identify a bird' is positioned below the text. Below this section is a search bar with the placeholder text 'enter location' and a magnifying glass icon.

This mobile screen features a header with a menu icon and a user profile icon. The main heading is 'Explore birds and spot the one you are spying!' with a sub-heading 'Showing birds around @location'. A large image of a Red-breasted Merganser is shown. Below the image, the text reads 'Red-breasted Merganser' and 'Mergus serrator'. A green button with a musical note icon says 'This is the one!'. At the bottom, there is a 'Switch to list view' button.

This mobile screen has a header with a menu icon and a user profile icon. The heading is 'Discover bird species' with a sub-heading 'Explore birds species and start your own birdwatching session, no matter where you are.' A search bar with the placeholder 'enter bird name' and a magnifying glass icon is present. Below the search bar is a grid of four bird cards, each with a musical note icon. The cards are: 'Red-breasted Mergus serrator', 'Steller's Jay Cyanocitta stelleri', 'Pied-billed Grebe Mergus serrator', and 'Horned Grebe Mergus serrator'.

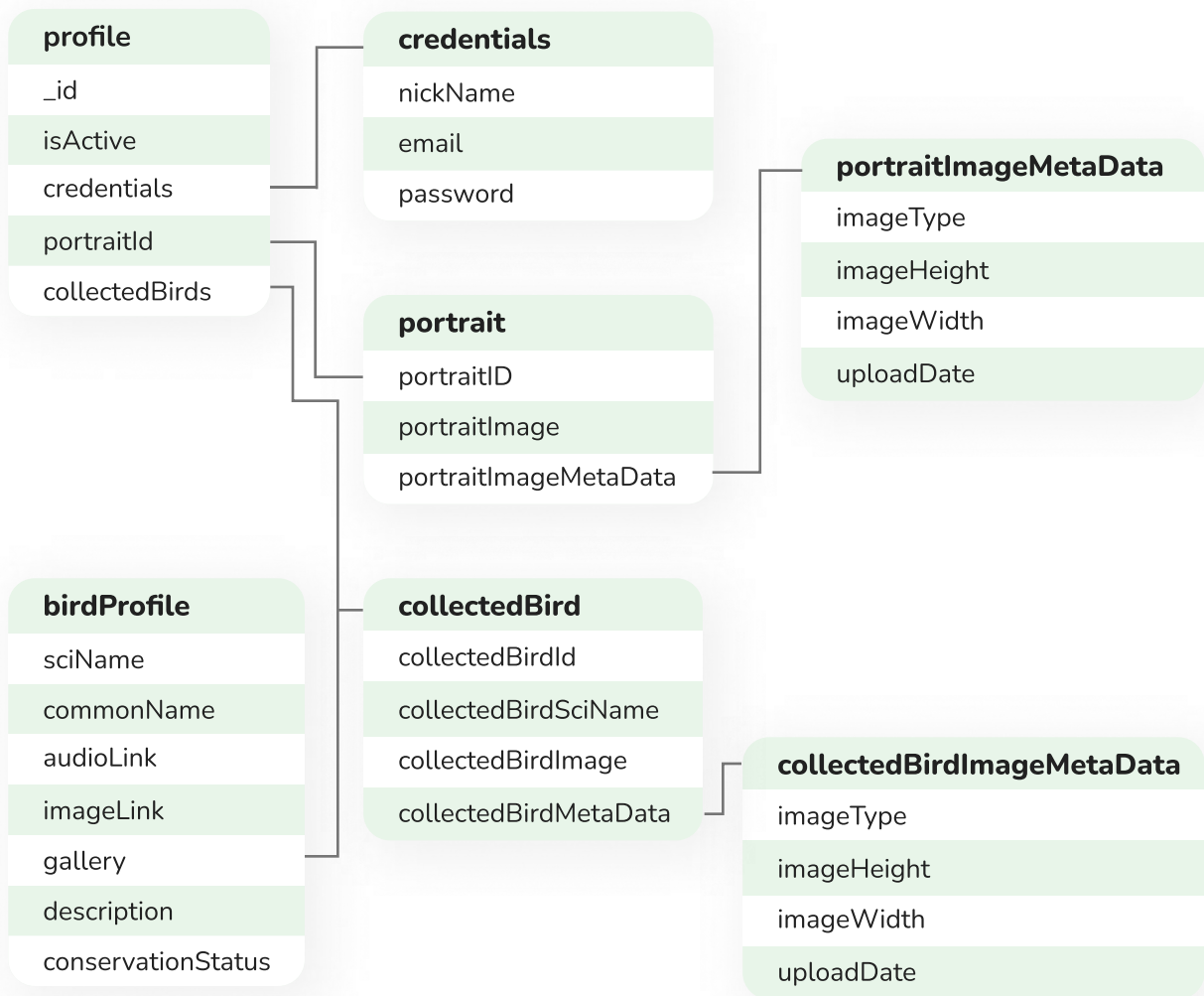
This mobile screen features a header with a menu icon and a user profile icon. The heading is 'Help make a difference by donating to these organizations'. A sub-heading reads 'By considering a gift for the birds and donating to bird conservation organizations, you are also giving back!'. Below this are two donation cards. The first card is for 'Birds Canada' with the text 'Together we are taking action for birds.' and a green 'Donate' button. The second card is for 'Reifel Bird Sanctuary' with the text 'Contribute to research and conservation.' and a green 'Donate' button.



Data Structure

Picbeaks's MongoDB collection stores both user data and bird data from external APIs. The bird data accessed is relatively stable and consistent, so it is called on the back-end and cached in

MongoDB for periodic updates to increase the application's speed and performance. User data includes profile information, image collections and portrait earnings.



Data Implementation

Where does Picbeak's data come from?

- Ebird API → Bird location data, scientific name & common name
- NatureServe API → Bird conservation status
- Flickr API → Bird images
- Wikipedia API → Bird detail descriptions
- Xeno-canto API → Bird sounds

How can users interact with Picbeak's data?

Picbeak users can interact with data through location-based bird data display, detailed bird profiles based on selected bird, and through text and filtered search options.

API Endpoints

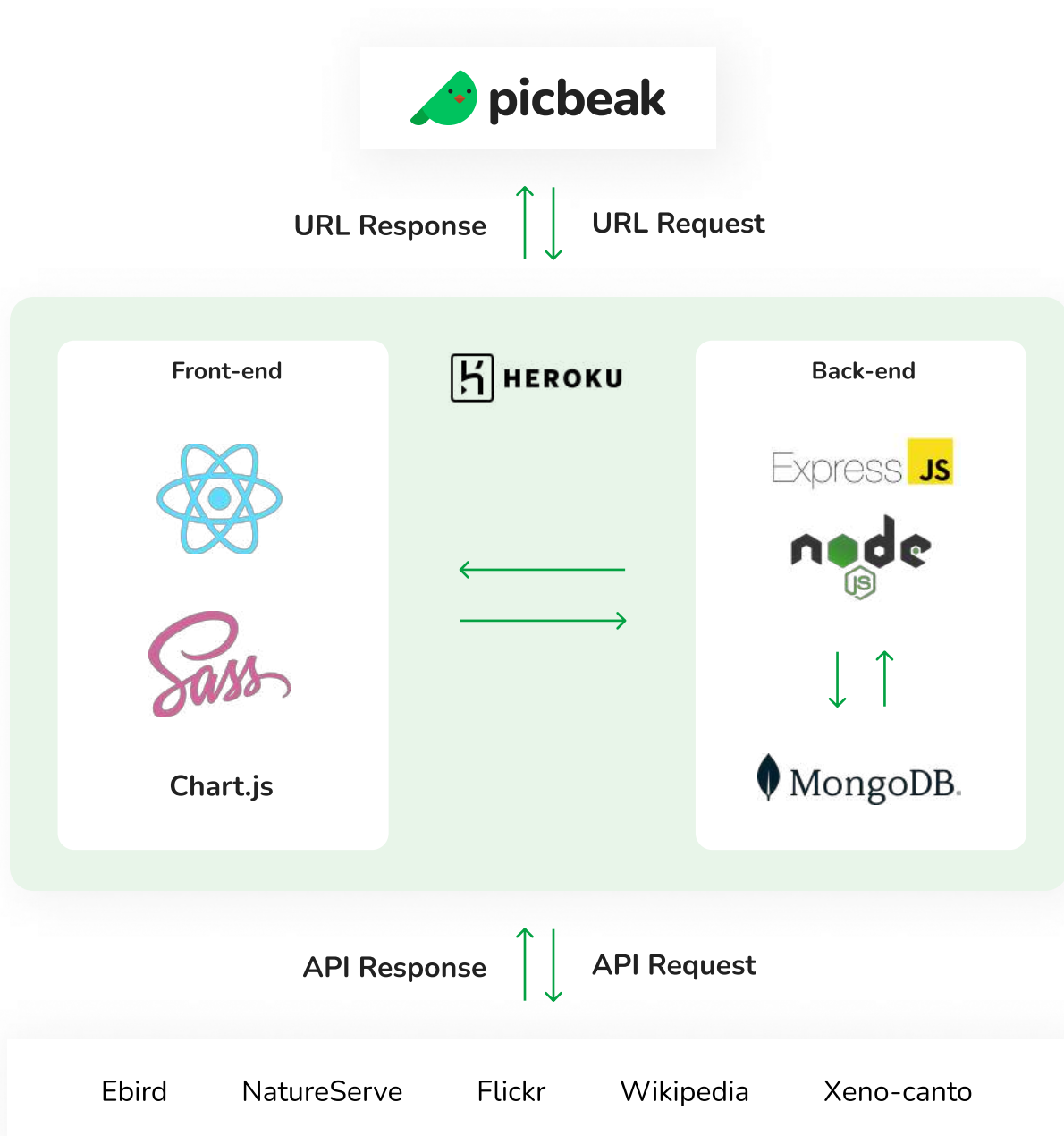
Picbeak uses MongoDB to cache bird data gathered from external API's and has built internal API's endpoints to access all bird and user data.

Process	API Endpoint	Data
Identify Birds	/birds/:location	Location based view of potential bird matches
Get Bird Detail	/birds/:sciName	Detailed view of bird based on scientific name
Filter Birds	/birds	Filtered view of birds based on user input
User Profile	/profiles/:id	User profile details
Image Gallery	/birds/:sciName/gallery	User uploaded images for selected bird
User Collection	/collectedBirds/:author	User collection of birds 'collected' in app

System Architecture

Picbeak's front-end is implemented using the ReactJS framework, Sass and Chart.js. While the back-end is implemented by using ExpressJS and

NodeJS to communicate with our external API's and MongoDB. The entire web application is hosted on Heroku.



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