Sustainability Victoria

The platform to promote sustainable living

Duration: My Role (Individual):
4 Months User Research | UI Design

Summary:

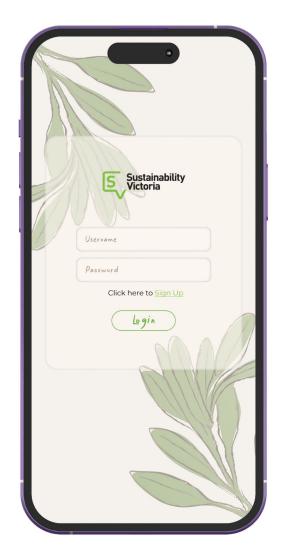
This application was made to aid Australians with the ability to be able to grow and cook their own produce.

Problem:

People experience a significant disconnect between their food production and consumption.

Methods:

- Surveys
- Interviews
- Wireframes
- Prototyping
- Personas
- Senarios



The Process The general process that I go through with my projects					
Define the Problem	— Interviews −	Findings and Recommendations	Personas and Senarios		Ideation and Final Solution

Interviews and Group Analysis

Interviews and surveys were conducted with people from various backgrounds. This then lead to an analysis of the data

"Starting out to plant produce is hard"

Related Quotes:

- "I never tried because I always failed in gardening because the last time, I tried to grow grapefruit it died."
- "I'm too lazy to do the gardening."
- "I want to know how to keep it growing and produce a good product"

Implications:

Gardening should be introduced as fun and shouldn't take too much time and effort

Design Ideas:

- There should be an inclusion of plants that are easy to look after
- Thorough instructions for users that are starting to garden.

"I think gardening is fun and I would like to do it properly"

Related Quotes:

- "I think its pretty good... It's kind of fun as well when you pick our own fruit and cut your spring onions and stuff."
- "It won't be worth doing it properly if you're not getting anything out of it."

Implications:

The information given should be thorough and that there should be some level of satisfaction

Design Ideas:

- Information should be thorough about the plant.
- The level of satisfaction could be recorded via gamification.

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"Would like to learn more about gardening"

Related Quotes:

- "I have little experience because I just started. I don't know much."
- "I want to know if I give the plants enough sunlight, the conditions and how much water they need."
- "I would like to know how much water things need and how much fertilizer things need because I either over do it or under do it."

Implications:

The more useful information about the plant would be best

Design Ideas:

 Information about the ideal environment would be the best for the plant.

"I don't want to start planting"

Related Quotes:

- "I think its fine if other people want to do it but personally, I have a green thumb and wouldn't do it."
- "Time consuming to maintain and to constantly look at it and to make sure no pests and stuff get into it."

Implications:

Growing your own produce should be deemed as open to everyone

Design Ideas:

- Difficulty levels included
- The amount of time and effort put into the plant should also be included.

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Findings:

- 40% of users check the weather daily and track their steps
- Most of the participants are fairly tech savvy and rely on their phone constantly with an average of around 3-4 hours.
- Most of the participants walk their dogs daily and if they don't it isbecause of how busy their schedule is.

Recommendations:

- Incorporation of a more personalised map depending on the user and the area that they live in.
- The incorporation of social media functions into the application. This will encourage users to interact with others on the app and explore new places with other app users.
- An automatic fitness tracking element implemented into the application and an automatic notification daily stating the temperature and the forecast.



Persona - Alec Zheng

"My friends want to start to garden so I want to join in and meet new people"

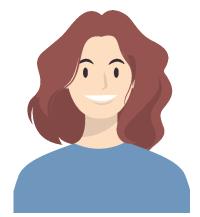
Occupation: Goal:

Student Starting to garden because of social benefits

such as meeting new people and making friends in a community environment.

Frustrations: Satisfactions:

It's too much effort Talking to new people about gardening



Persona - Liz Jones

"I want to save money on food by growing my own and knowing what goes in it."

Occupation: Goal:

Student To save money from growing her own food

Frustrations: Satisfactions:

It's so hard to grow food and takes so

much time.

Saving money and earning more about

produce



Persona - Sarah Joan

"I want to learn more about fruit and veg and use them in recipes."

Occupation: Goal:

Student To learn more about produce and to cook for

herself

Frustrations: Satisfactions:

Finds it hard to look

for recipes

When she finds one that matches her skill set



Persona - Liam King

"I think that people growing produce is cool and I want to try it out."

Occupation: Goal:

Graduate To motivate himself to grow his own food

Frustrations: Satisfactions:

Finds it hard to start Growing his own food to eat

Wireframes





Recipes



Specific Plant



Recipe



Calendar Full



Home

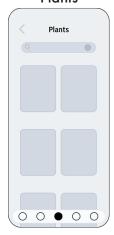


Popular Recipes



Organiser





Plants



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Solution



Reflection

With this project I had to perform many tasks in a short time frame. Moving forward I would like to continue to explore multiple aesthetics incorporating watercolour. Later I would like to improve some of the functionality of the application and work on the recipe and organiser pages, refining them further.

Prototype:

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