

# Bacharika

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# Project overview



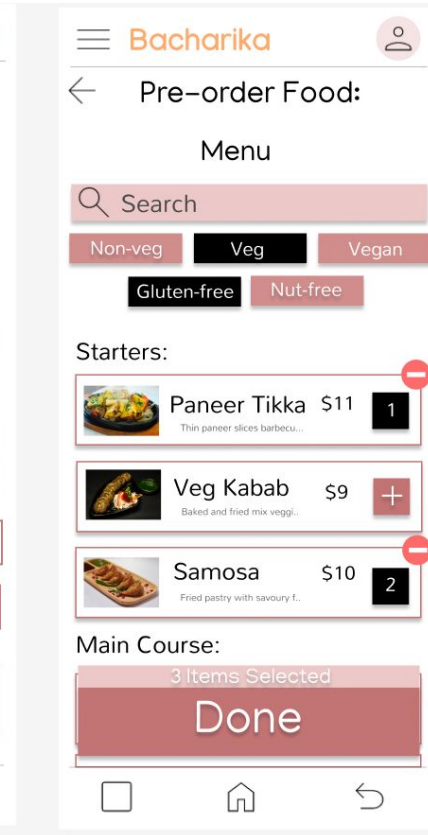
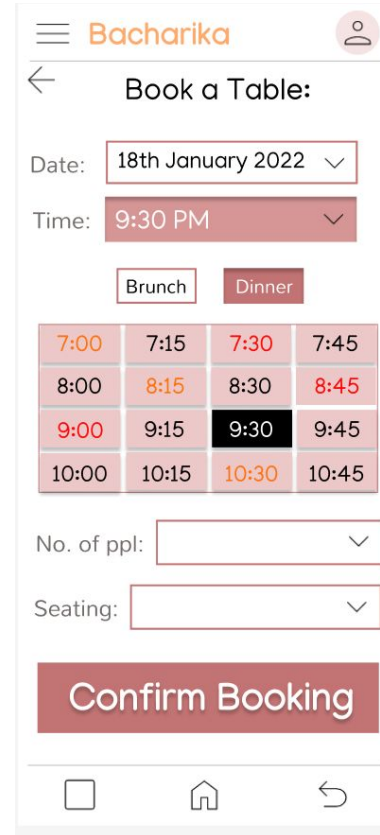
## The product:

The app I have created is to help users book a table at this restaurant without any charge, and to provide users with options such as delivery, take-away, and pre-ordering their food before they get there.



## Project duration:

This project took a total of 3 months to complete. From December 2022 to February 2023.



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## The problem:

Users do not have an app that let's them order food at home, book for a take-away, or book a table all-in-one. Calling the restaurant for bookings is not a viable option for all users.



## The goal:

To create an app that benefits all people, and to introduce a cool feature like pre-ordering, wherein the food is ready for the customers after they walk-in.

# Project overview



## My role:

UX designer and researcher.



## Responsibilities:

UX research, wireframing, prototyping

# Understanding the user

- User research
- Personas
- Problem statements
- User journey maps

# User research: summary



I conducted research using 5 people, 2 males, 2 females, and 1 non-binary person. I had them complete a few prompts to test how the product was working for them.

# User research: pain points

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## Pain point

There is no way to only book a table without pre-ordering. The app is almost forcing users to pre-order.

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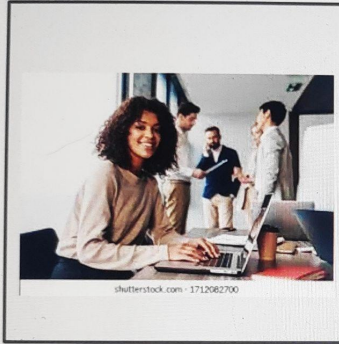
## Pain point

After you click back button on pre-order, you go back home-page. That is creating a gap in the user flow.

# Persona: Name

## Problem statement:

Arnie is a woman's right activist and a cat lover who needs to order food from a restaurant because she does not have enough free time and also has certain dietary restrictions..



**Arnie**

**Age:** 24

**Education:** High School

**Hometown:** Houston, Texas

**Family:** Lives with 2 cats

**Occupation:** Activist for women's rights

*"Sometimes life gets a lot for all of us, in those times all we need is good food to remind us to appreciate the little things we still have in life"*

## Goals

- To make a safe space for women
- To explore healthy and good food options under given restrictions

## Frustrations

- Not enough time to cook food
- Dealing with a lot of stress already and needs good food sometimes to cheer her up

Arnie has a busy life taking care of cats and with the recent ban abortion, Arnie has been under a lot of stress and working a lot. She rarely has time to cook anything for herself even though she loves good food. She even has a few dietary restrictions so she can eat only vegan and gluten free.



# User journey map

I tried to put myself in the user's shoes and follow their journey. Then I identified any pain point or any additional changes that might make the user experience better.

## Persona: Arnie

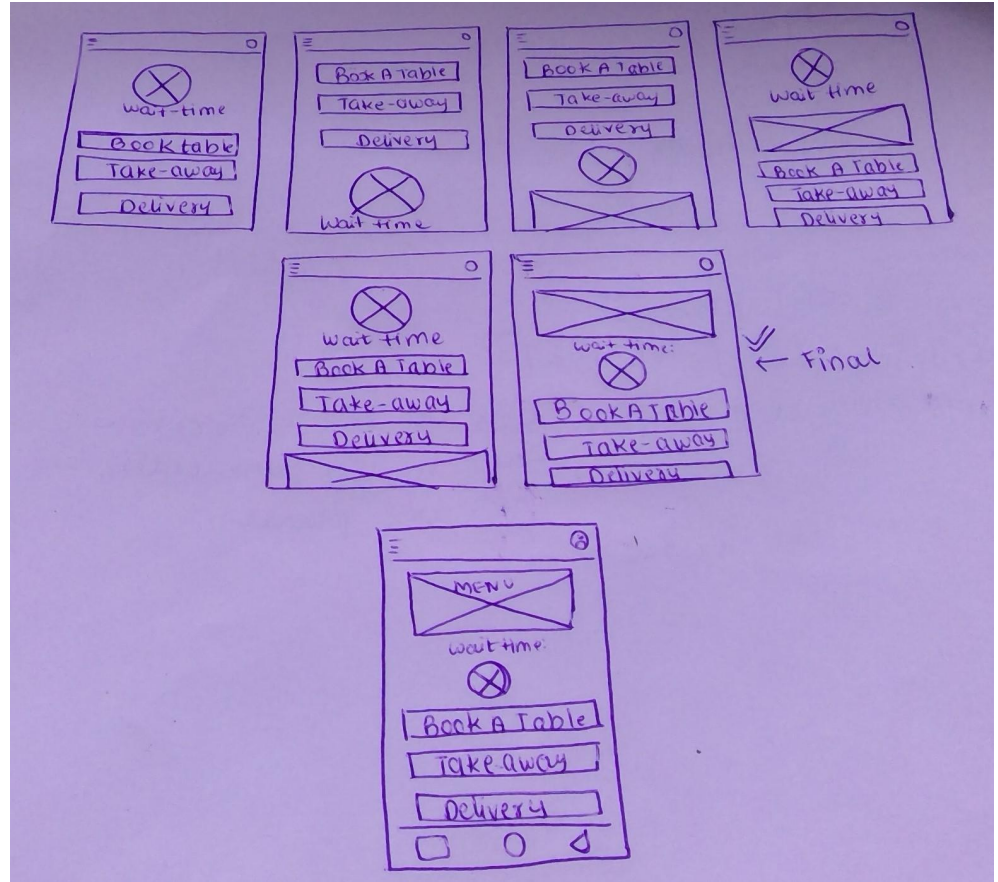
Goal: To order from a restaurant

ACTION	Select how to order	Browse menu	Place order	Complete order	Pick up the order or come in to dine
TASK LIST	A. Open app B. Select whether to dine in or take out	A. Select the type of food B. Select specific items	A. Select the quantity for each food item B. Place order	A. Confirm order B. Provide payment information C. Get the address to the restaurant, or give yours if opted for delivery	A. Come in, dine or take away B. Wait for order if opted for delivery
EMOTIONS	Overwhelmed by having to download and sign up on app Happy to get so many options to dine	Happy to sort things out by categories	Irritated at too many steps along the way Happy about not having to remember order	Annoyed about having to confirm too many times	Satisfied upon receiving their food the way they want to
IMPROVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES	A website would help people who do not want to download an app	Add pictures and audios	Quantity should be selected while placing the order	Add more options for making payment Make the payment faster	Add a tracking feature or maps feature



# Paper wireframes

Based on my learnings from the user journey maps, I started creating a few paper wireframes, to see how my designs play out in reality.



# Digital wireframes

With few more changes to my paper wireframes, and another round of identifying pain points for the user, I changed my paper wireframes to digital wireframes.

The user can enter any allergies they might have into their profile, so that the food can be filtered off according to the user.

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My Profile

Name: Tia

Address: 221B Baker Street

Allergies: Peanut; Dairy

Payment Details: None

Check out past order history:

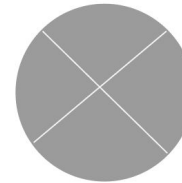
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Users can check their past history, in case they want to re-order a food item they might've liked but have forgotten the name of.

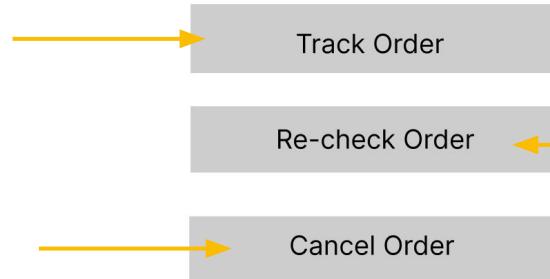
# Digital wireframes



Your food will be there in XXmins!

Users can track their order to know how much longer the food will take to get to them.

Lets users cancel order in case they want to for whatever reason



Let's users re-check their order in case they have a doubt about their order, or just want to be sure!



# Usability study: findings

Write a short introduction to the usability studies you conducted and your findings.

## Round 1 findings

- 1 participants want a pre-order to be a more visible and clear option
- 2 participants want the code to be visible on the screen
- 3 participants want to back to the confirm booking page if they don't want to pre-order

## Round 2 findings

- 1 Participants want a better way to select the time.
- 2 Participants want the option of cancelling a food item if they wrongfully select another item.
- 3 Participants could not read the wait-time clock.

# Refining the design

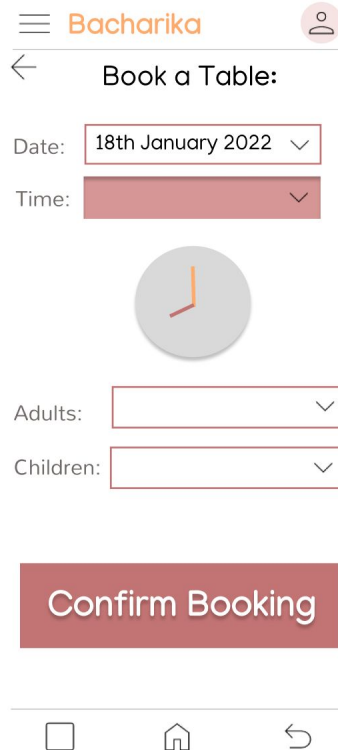
- Mockups
- High-fidelity prototype
- Accessibility



# Mockups

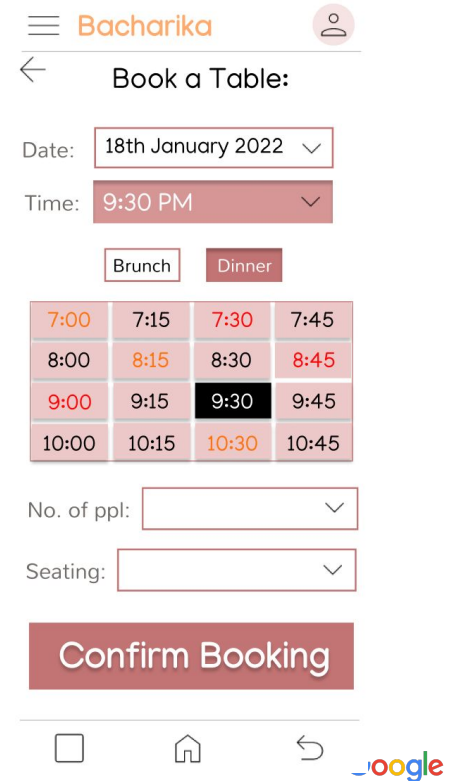
After conducting two usability studies, identifying pain points, I updated my high-fidelity prototype to better suit the needs of the user. I made the clock more viable to use.

## Before usability study



Mobile app mockup showing the 'Book a Table' screen before usability studies. The screen includes a header with 'Bacharika' and a user profile icon, a back arrow, and the title 'Book a Table:'. Below the title are two dropdown menus for 'Date:' (18th January 2022) and 'Time:'. A large, semi-transparent clock icon is centered on the screen. Below the clock are two dropdown menus for 'Adults:' and 'Children:'. At the bottom is a large red 'Confirm Booking' button. The bottom navigation bar contains icons for home, back, and search.

## After usability study



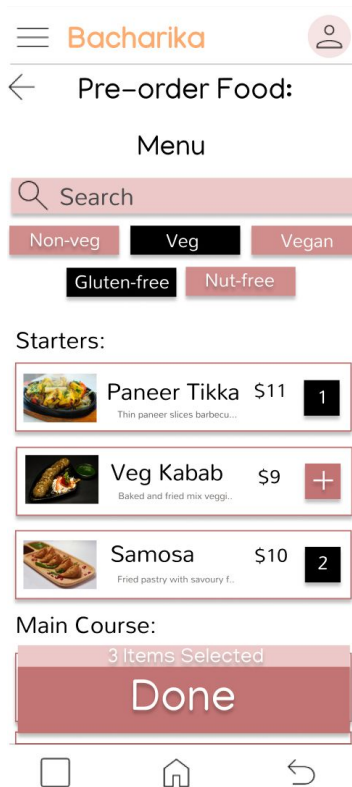
Mobile app mockup showing the 'Book a Table' screen after usability studies. The screen includes a header with 'Bacharika' and a user profile icon, a back arrow, and the title 'Book a Table:'. Below the title are two dropdown menus for 'Date:' (18th January 2022) and 'Time:'. Below the time dropdown are two buttons for 'Brunch' and 'Dinner'. A table of time slots is displayed, with the 9:30 slot highlighted in black. Below the table are two dropdown menus for 'No. of ppl:' and 'Seating:'. At the bottom is a large red 'Confirm Booking' button. The bottom navigation bar contains icons for home, back, and search, and the Google logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

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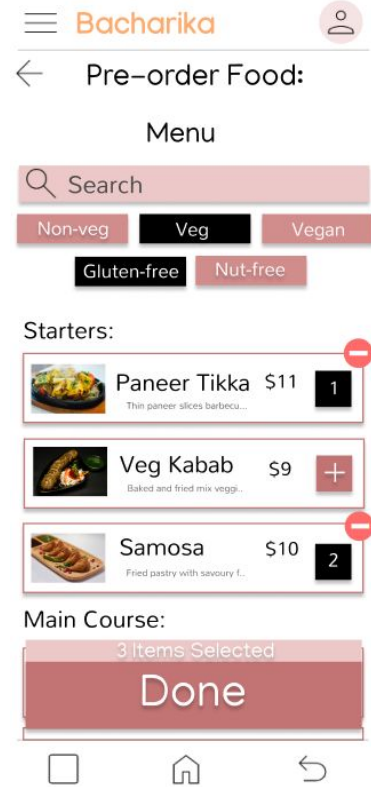
# Mockups

I added an option of cancelling food items in case the user changed their mind or if they wrongfully selected a food item.

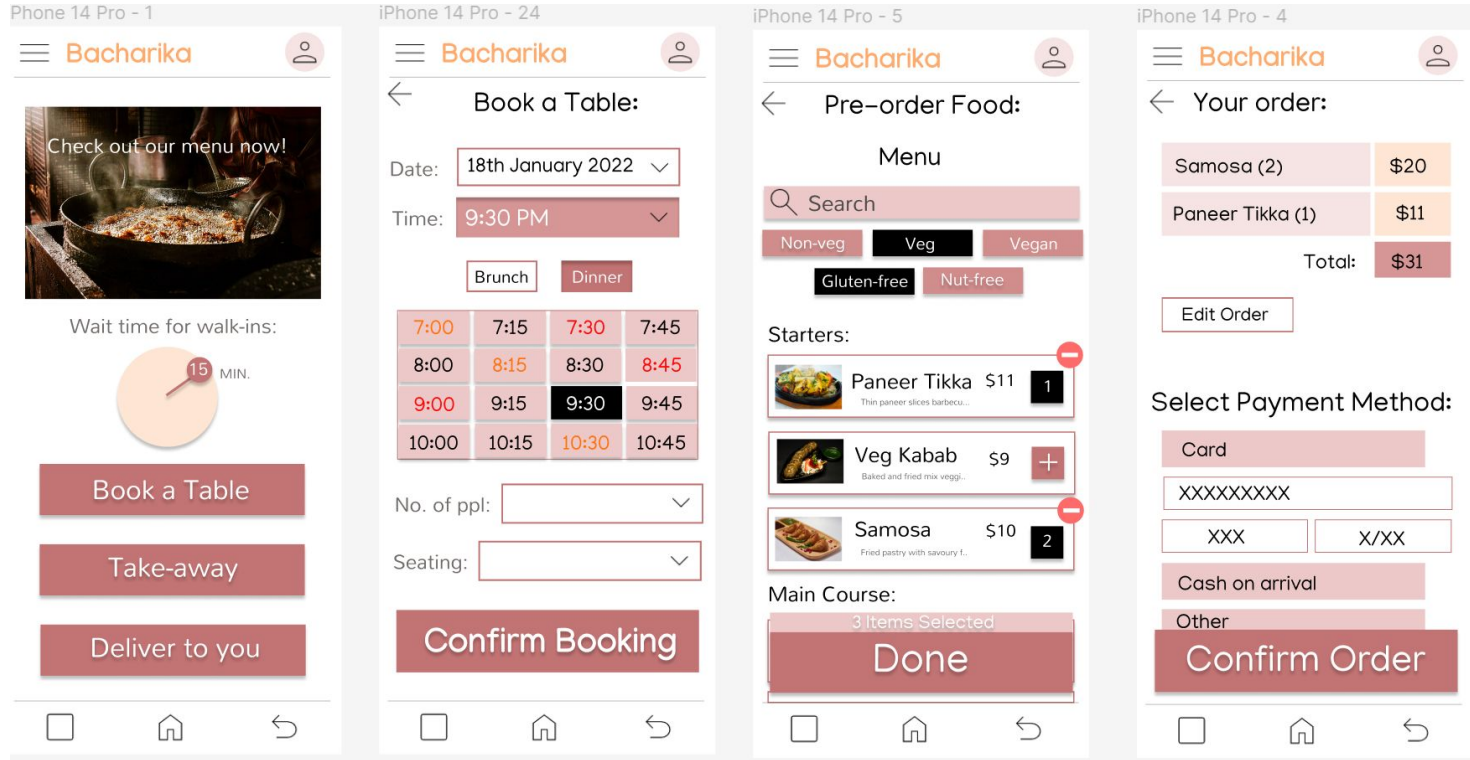
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# Mockups





# Accessibility considerations

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I have made sure there is stark colour contrast that checks out for people who are colour blind and for people who cannot see very well. I also made sure the colour isn't too bright either. I used earthy colours of contrasting shade to complete my designs.

2

I have added varying options for people who have any kind of dietary restrictions. So that they don't have to scroll endlessly trying to figure out the ingredients of any item. I included options like, Vegan, gluten-free, vegetarian and nut-free.

3

I tried keeping the language as simple and uniform as I could, so that any person whose strength isn't English would still be able to figure out the app. I also added translator and interpreter mode option in the hamburger menu. Since, the hamburger menu the most universal icon.

# Going forward

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- Takeaways
- Next steps

# Takeaways



## Impact:

I found that my designs received great reviews from my study participants. As I conducted the second usability study things got easier for the participants. They were able to complete the processes much quicker and a lot more intuitively. 4 / 5 participants reviewed that they can see themselves using this app on an everyday basis.



## What I learned:

The most important thing I learned is that an app is never fully completed. Numerous times I have thought "Oh, there isn't any more changes to make!" And each time, there was a change to make. But I have been enthusiastic about it, and I love making the app perfect even though perfection is just a myth.

# Next steps

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As a next step, I would be working on a version of this app that allows this app to work on multiple platforms. Across, multiple different mobile phones, tablets and laptops.

2

I would then complete this course on UI/UX so that I have my own portfolio, showcasing all my hardwork!

3

I would then apply for internships. Hopefully I can get one at Google itself. Lastly, I look forward to learning even more about UI/UX and the processes involved within it from a job point of view.



# Let's connect!



If you would like to connect with me to ask any questions or have a website designed for you, please feel free to email me! I check my emails Monday through Friday 9 am to 12 noon. I will surely respond to you within that time-frame.

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