

# A Man's Kitchen Design Guide

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#### **Personas**

To gage to my audience, I have here our dear friend Ron. With this personas I am able to build my site directly to Ron and ask, "What would Ron want? How would Ron us this feature?" I can then go about building the website and meet the needs of my users for the site.

Of course this is one Personas so it will help gage to a certain type of audience, with more personas I can build the site to an even broader audience.

# Ron the hungry man

**PRIMARY PERSONA** 

By: Kyle Johnson

**Age:** 32

**Location:** North Orem

**Home Life:** Married to Tammy, is the family

provider, has 2 young daughters and

loves to spend time with the family

Profession: Works at "Good Stuff" as a CEO

Hobbies: Wood working, hunting, being

outdoors

Personality: A go-getter, hardworking, the silent

type, likes to keep things simple.



"I'm a hungry man who needs good food that is simple to make and easy instructions to follow."

#### **Personal Information**

Ron and his wife Tammy are parents to two wonderful daughters. Ron is a manly man who enjoys the outdoors, hunting and being with the family. His biggest love of all is meat. Though, for the past 20 years, Ron has only cooked meat the same way and is looking to expound his horizons. Tammy is excited to try new food as well because of how Ron has only had his food the same way and has never wanted to change his ways before. With that being said, Tammy isn't the best cook and Ron needs simple and easy directions because of his new ways of cooking.

Ron has gone to plenty of sites but is looking for a site that only offers manly food. None of these vegan site that makes him feel ill for a day. Ron only gets too confused on the site and just needs a quick easy button to find the recipe of his dreams. If only Ron had a site to help him out.

#### **User Goals**

- To have simple to make recipes
- To be have easy to follow directions
- To have a simple to use website that isn't too confusing
- Enjoy the food he makes from what the site offers.

#### **Business Objectives**

- · Have great recipes
- Feel pleased with our service
- Expect easy recipes
- · Make the navigation process easy
- Recommend to other friends
- Come again for our services

#### **Recipe Website Info**

Tech Knowledge: None.

Food type: Meat and Meat

Preferred cooking method: Fresh food,

on the grill or in the oven.

Favorite restaurants: Bob's steak house,

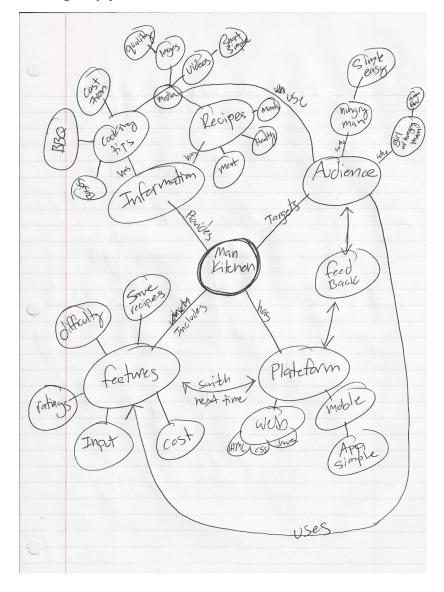
smoking apple, texas roadhouse

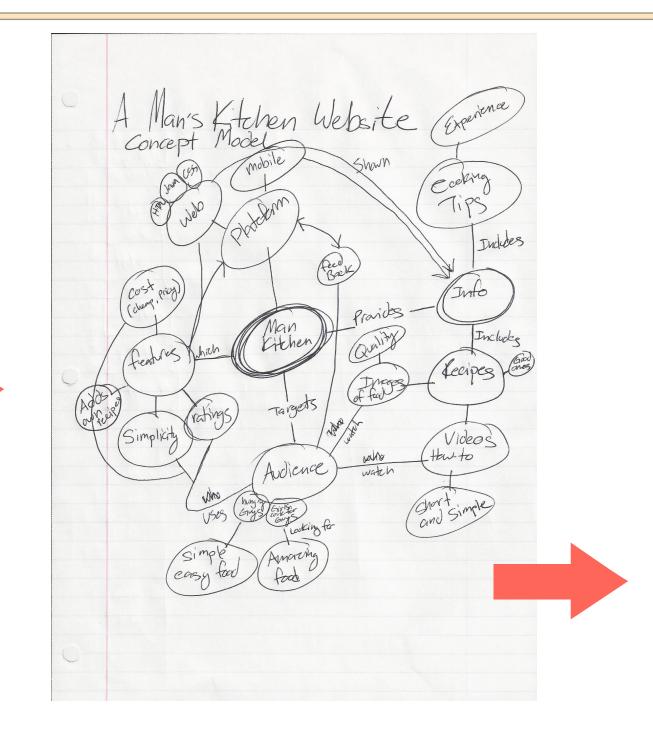
- Needs some good manly food
- Desires an easy site
- Wants Simple and easy recipes

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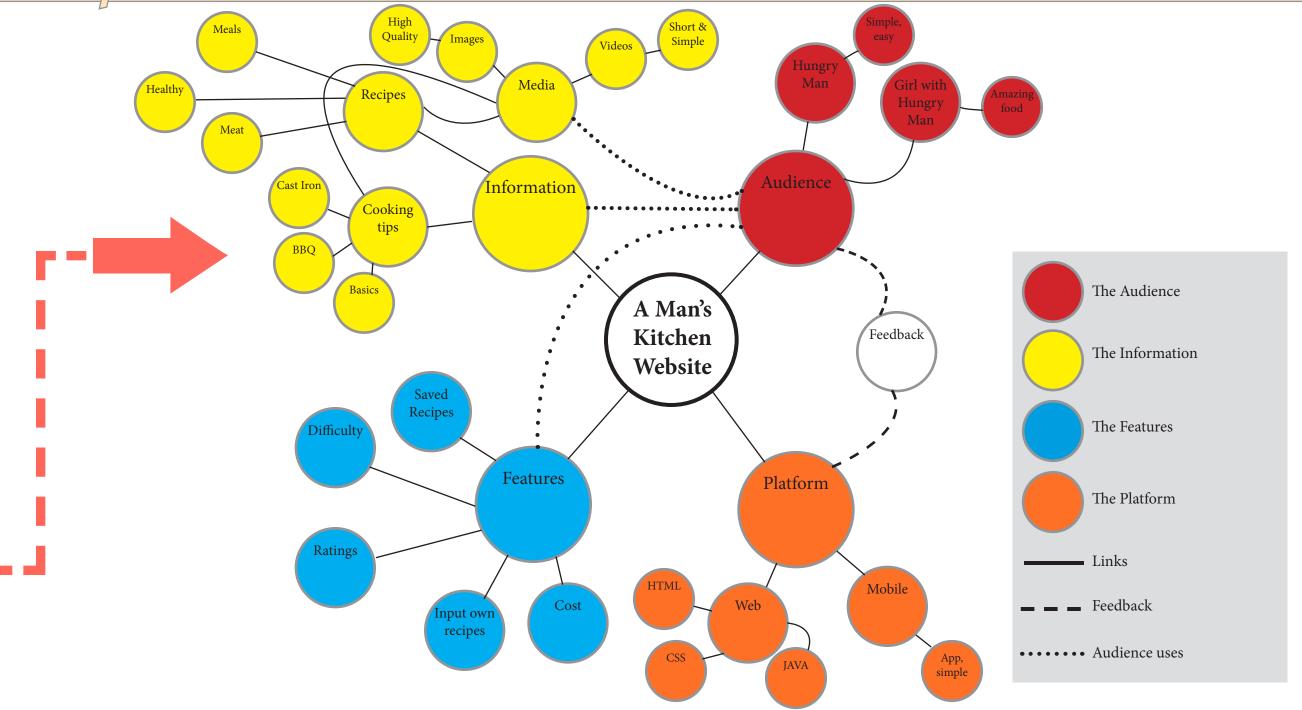
# **Concept Model Sketches**

Here are my early sketches for the concept model for a website called, "A Man's Kitchen" which I am working on creating! Enjoy!





Concept Model





## Site Map for A Man's Kitchen

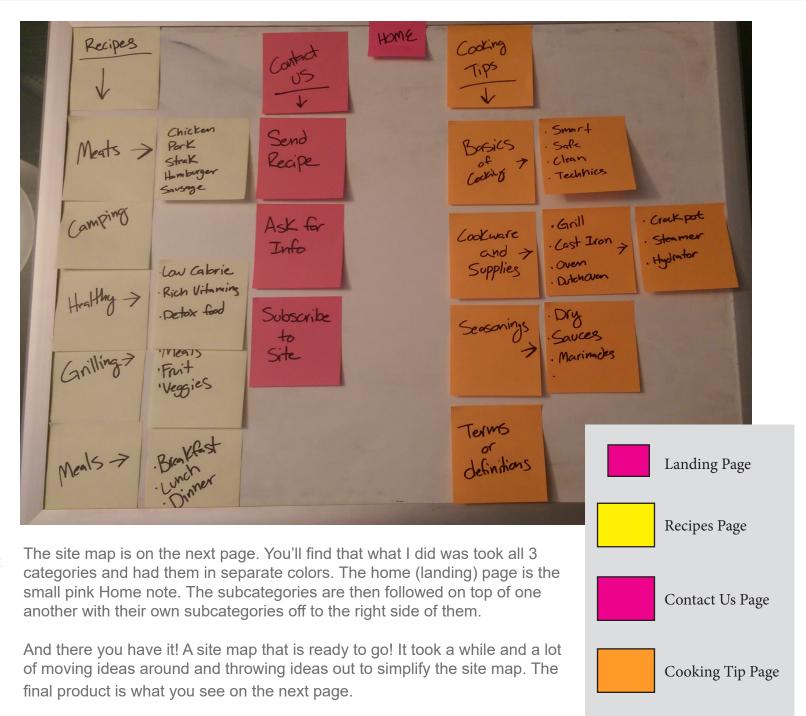
The site I desire to create is a cooking site. I would like to have a site where someone can find quick good recipes that are easy to understand. Along with the recipes, I would like a site that would help the user know how to cook. This will reach out to the novice cooking audience.

I found that as I sat down with the stickiNotes, I found it was easy to think of the first 2 categories for my website, but a bit more difficult to think of the last categories. I thought about having a meal calendar or a shopping list page. I then thought of having a restaurant page where the audience can access really good audience but I found that the demographics would be difficult to reach to all audience.

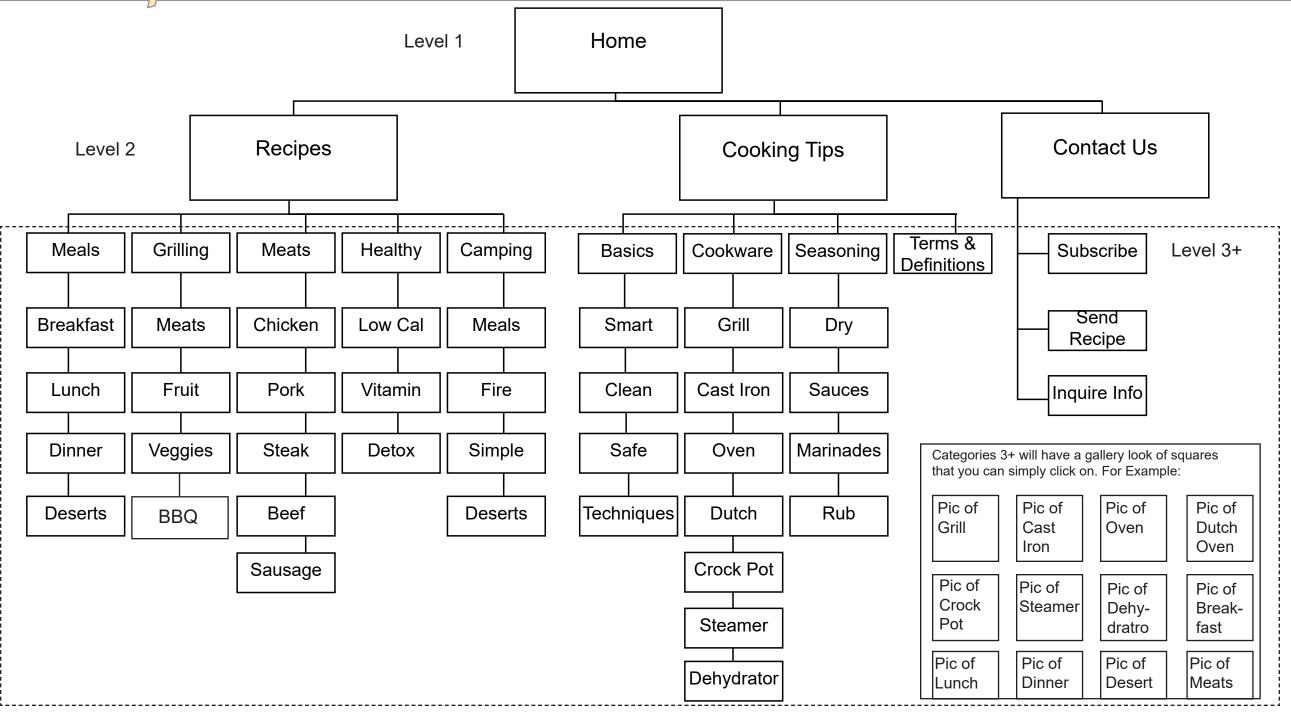
It occurred to me that I needed a page where the user could contact me and even maybe send out their own good recipes. Not only that, but the user could rate the recipes and leave their reviews. With that being said, my last categories would be a contact us page. Once I had the main 3 categories, I was then able to go further and think of all the ideas I could that would go with those categories. It was fun process, full of much thinking, many of stickiNotes and a lot of throwing away ideas as I wanted to keep the site simple and easy to use.

At once point I had a gallery page, but I came up with a better solution of having the pages a gallery style look. The user can simply click on the recipe tab, and the page will bring up pictures of the categories that will make it easy for the user to decide what they are feeling like cooking.

This has been a great method to help me really think of how I can organize the site before doing much work. I found that I was able to group subject together and make it a lot easier for the user to find their way around the site.



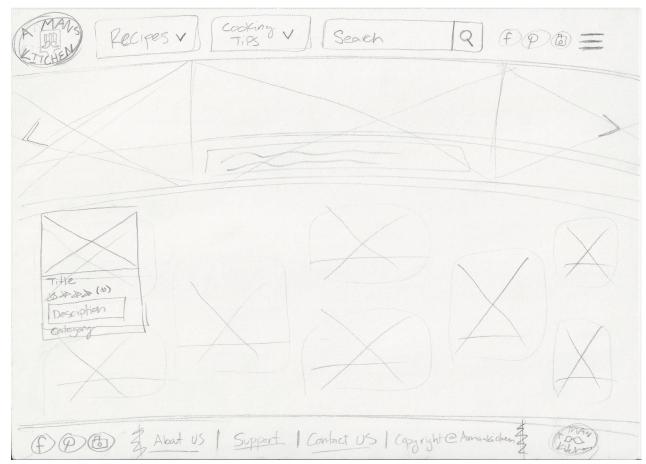
Site Map



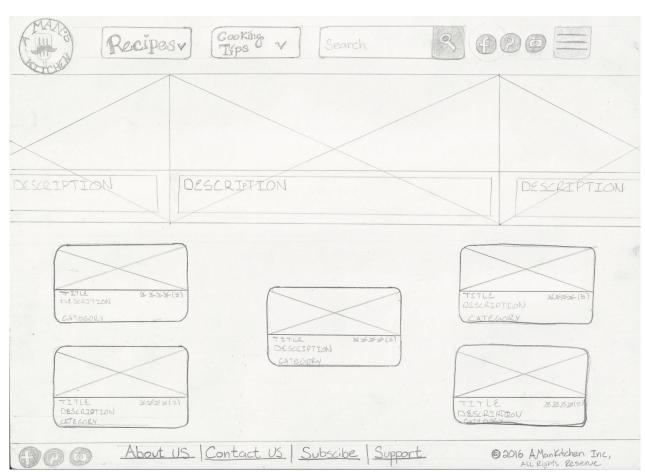


#### **Wireframe Sketches**

Here are my wireframe sketches for "A Man's Kitchen". Here you'll find the website version, the tablet version and the mobile version. The Website and the Tablet versions are very similar. I created it that way so it is easy to navigate towards both.



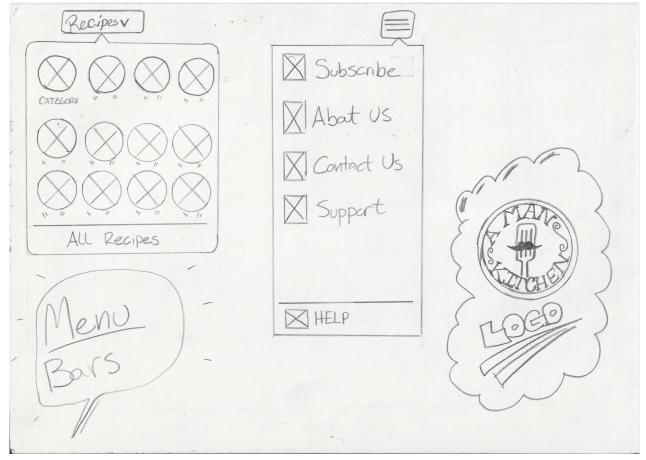
First Sketch up of the Website/tablet wireframe. Here you'll find the Navigation bar full of the Website Logo, navigation to the recipe and cooking tips page, a search bar with some social media links and a menu bar for account and contact page. The header and footer is shown along with the content. I wanted to go for a gallery look since its about food and everyone loves to see food!



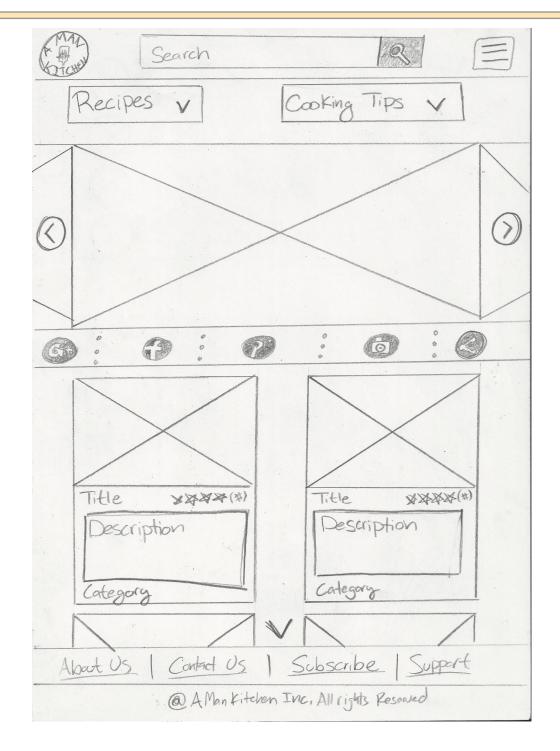
Here's the polished sketch for the website/tablet. You'll see that the landing page has a carousel picture wheel up at the top of the page. You will also see that below that is a few images that will link to certain categories on the site.

Wire Frames

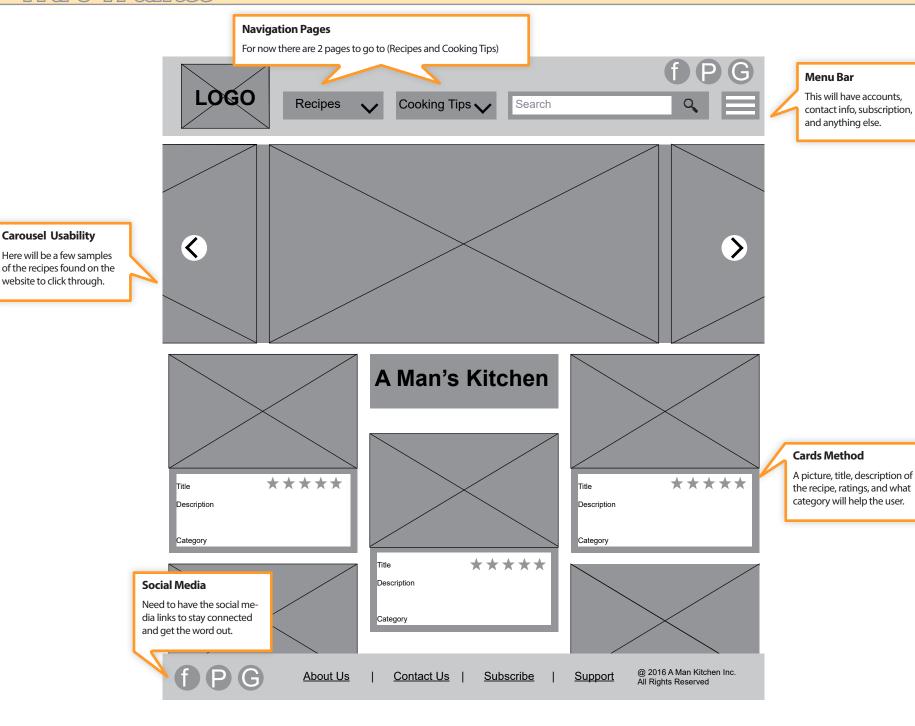
Below are the sketches for the navigation buttons. When you click with a mouse or a finger, are able to bring up these submenu bars. You can see that they pictures along with the category underneath. You'll also the Logo for A Man's Kitchen with a Mustached Spatula!



To the right is the sketch wireframe for the phone site. Again, the logo is up in the header along with the search bar and menu bar. Underneath is the navigation buttons to the recipe page and the cooking tips page. You still have the gallery carousel and the social media links underneath that. Then there's the pictures (like Pinterest site) where you can view a sample of food recipes or cooking tips right off the site and click on them. The mobile site ends with a footer with links to other parts of the site.



# Wire Frames



#### **Wireframe Website**

For A Man's Kitchen website, I went with a page with a carousel feature and multiple cards to read quick recipes and cooking tips.

You'll notice on the wire frame that I have 2 navigation buttons up at the top with a search menu to help find information quicker.

There are also social Media links up in the corner and down at the bottom to get the word out about the site.

On the landing page you'll be able to scroll down and look at a good amount of cards to find quick links to information that you're looking for. There are ratings on the cards along with images.

I found that being able to see images of food makes it easier for the user to know what recipe they are wanting to use. Images were a big implementation in this site to make it user friendly.



#### Wireframe Tablet/Mobile

Going into Tablet mode of Mobile, I made the wire frame close to how I made the website. This way, it is consistent through and through.

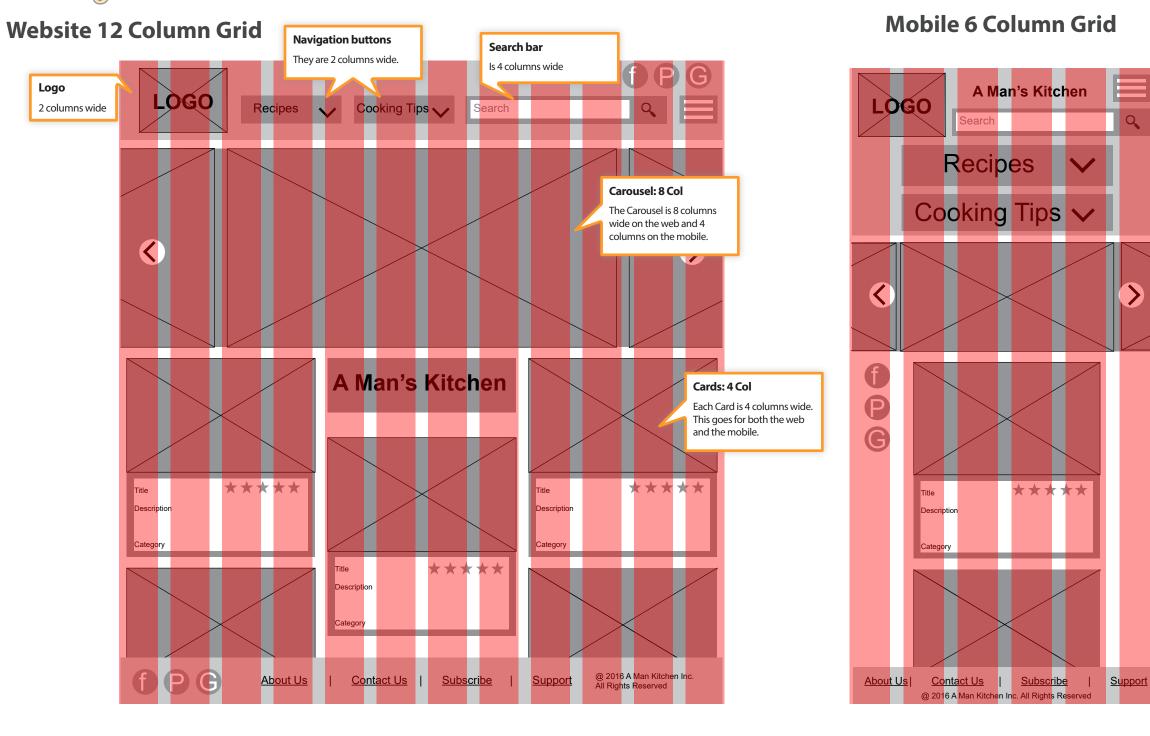
One big difference is that there are less cards to be displayed on the tablet and mobile. You'll find that I still kept the carousel feature, makes it nice as it automatically goes through the popular images to catch the user's attention. The user will be able to simply press with their finger on the arrows to move the images as they please.

The user can also simply swipe up with their finger to look at more cards on the device and with a simple press on the arrows on the navigation buttons, a box will appear with to which subcategory they desire to navigate.

There is a menu bar at the top right to help with any questions on the site.



The Grid



# **Website 12 Column Grid** RECIPES ~ COOKING TIPS~ Search CSS Col This is for the CSS Coding, each col will be a div class For CSS. 12 Column = 1 colHomemade Ribs Recipe Baked Ro Perfect for a dinner meal. When you can 4 Column = 8 Column = 2-3 col1-3 col Made with fresh tortilla shells and every With garlic seasoning and fresh potatoes, Column 2 Column = 3 Column = **6 Column = 1-2 col** 1-8 col 1-4 col 1-16 col

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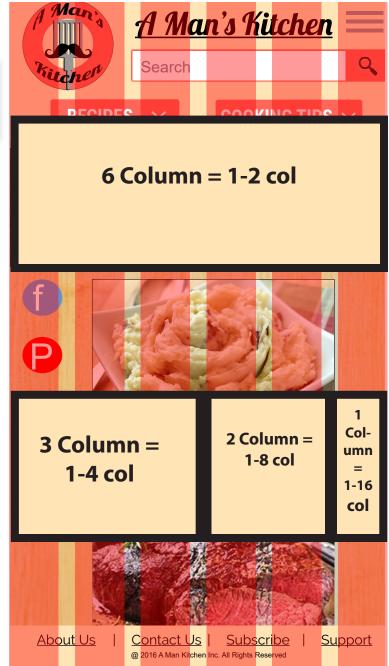
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#### **Mobile 6 Column Grid**



Surface Comps.

#### **Patterns**



The background pattern for the site will be "Purty Wood" as shown above. It's a man's kitchen, and with that being said, it needs some wood. Here is the wood that will be used to bring the site to life.

#### **Fonts**

Lobster

Impallari Type (1 style)

# A Man's Kitchen

The Lobster Font will be use for the Logo for the website and for any of the main header (h1) titles for the pages for the website.

#### Roboto Condensed

Christian Robertson (6 styles)

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The Roboto Condensed Font will be used for all of the headers (h2, h3, h4), Navigation Titles.

#### Raleway

Multiple Designers (18 styles)

# A Man's Kitchen

The Raleway Font will be used for the paragraphs of the pages, especially for the cards with description and category. Also for tables, description list and footer

#### Color



Gray 50% Hex: 939498

The Gray will be used on the box shadows, menu tab icon, search font and borders for the images.

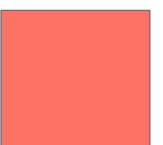


The Moccasin color will be a Primary Color used for the header/navigation/footer bar, background for the cards.



Vanilla Cream Hex: FCFBE3

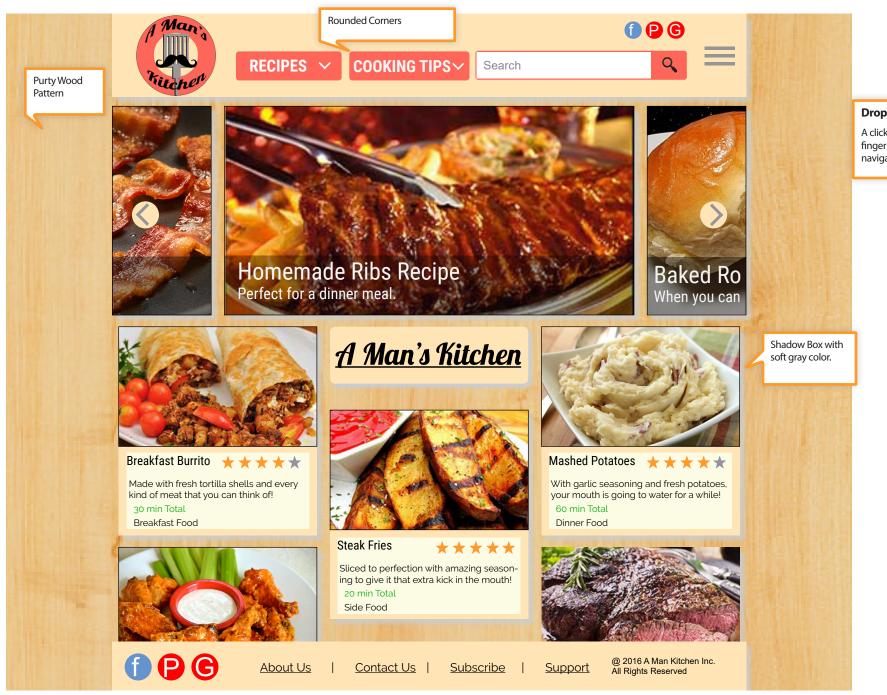
The Vanilla Cream is used for the boxes in the cards for the font. It is an accent color to go with the Moccasin.

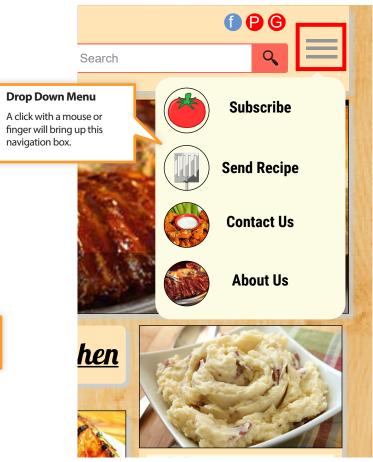


Warm Red Hex: FE665A

The Warm Red is for the buttons on the page. It's a way to catch the eye and complement the page.

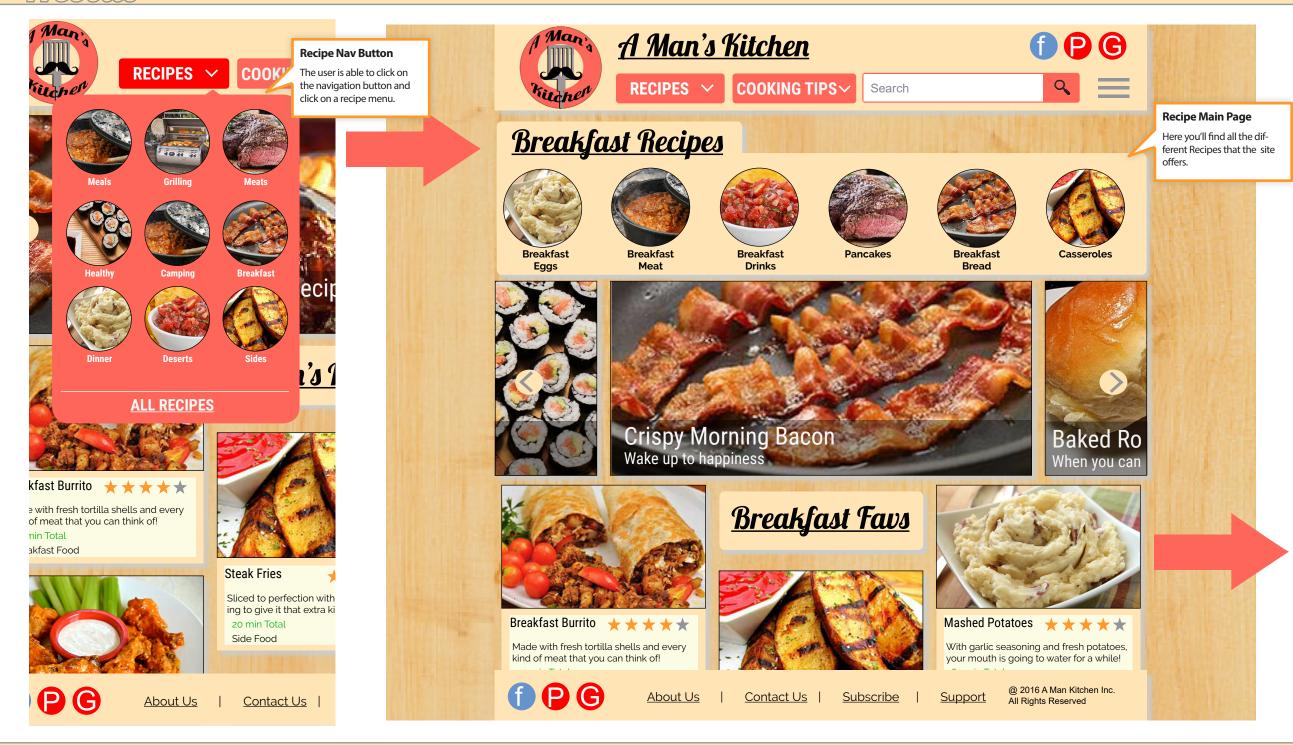
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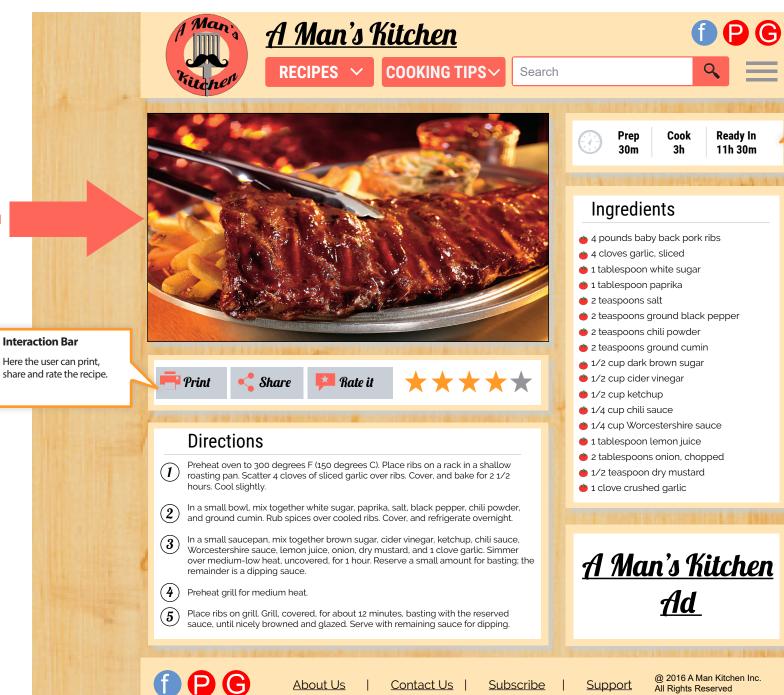




From the website you can see that the colors complement each other with a good contrast with the red. You can see the smooth round corners along with the little touches of drop shadow and arrow buttons to flip through the images. The design goes right with the wire frame and shows the easy use of the drop down menu box.

Websylte





### **Recipe Main Page**

**Time Bar** 

A place for the user to

recipe will take.

quickly see how long the

On the main page the user is given a good amount of images and categories to help them find the recipe they are looking for. The Main page is divided into subcategories (meats, drinks, pancakes). There's a carousel showing the favorite recipes on the site and cards to help give the user a quick look.

## **Recipe Specific Page**

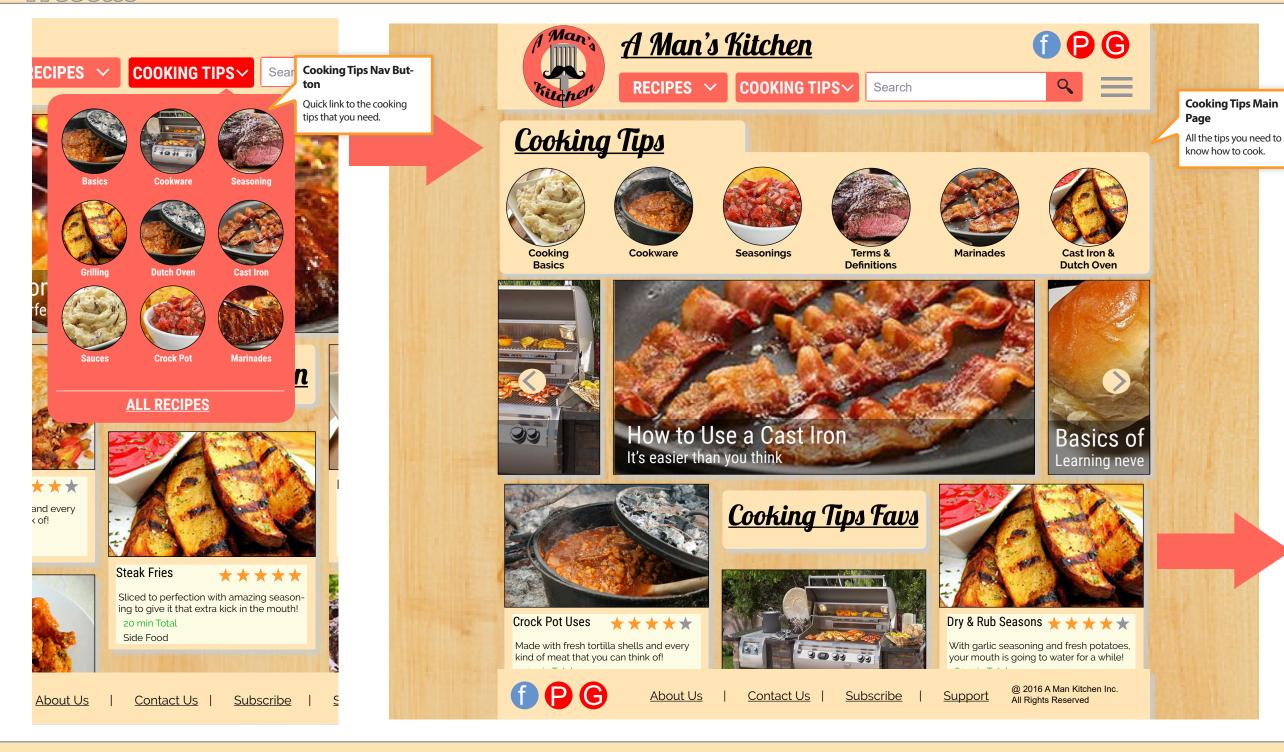
This page has all that the user needs to make the recipe. It has images to give the user a desire to use the recipe. It has ratings to help gauge how the recipe turned out and there are features of easy printing and sharing it with others or themselves. The page makes it easy to find what the user needs to create the recipe and how to cre-

> ate it by the easy to follow directions.

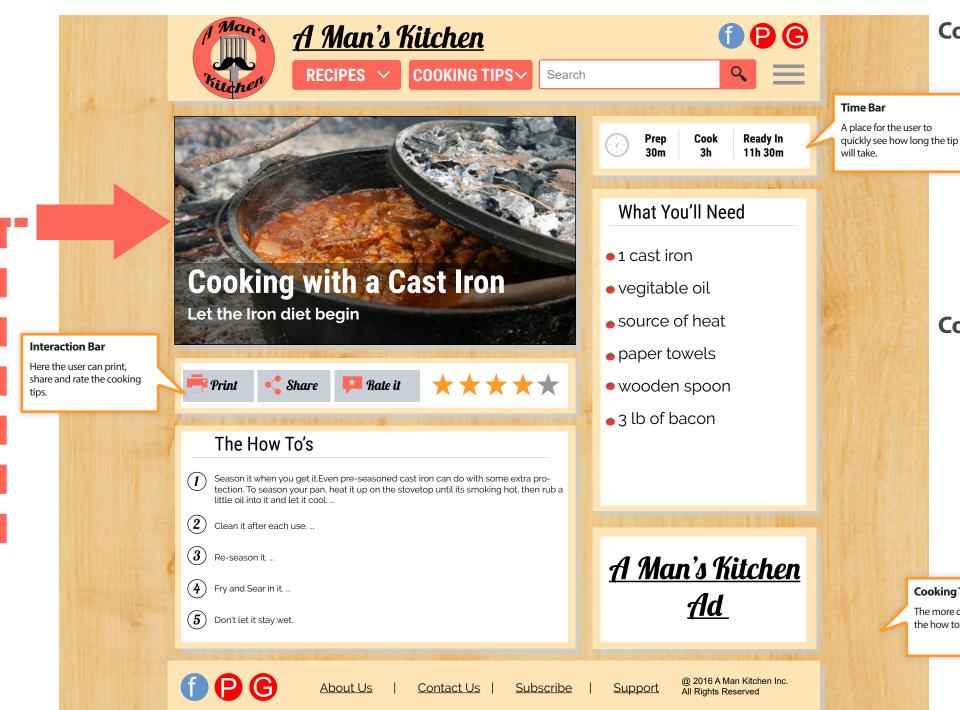
#### The Recipe Page

Here is a specific Recipe with directions, ingredients, ratings, and images.

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## **Cooking Tips Main Page**

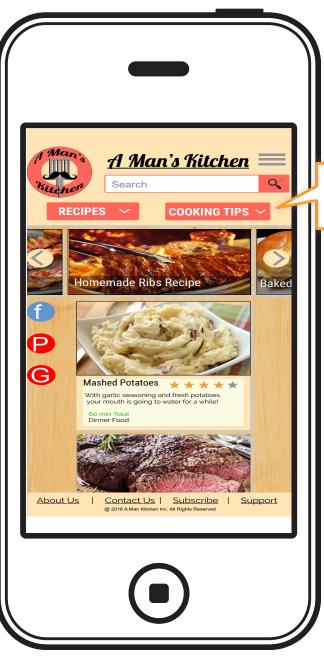
On the main page the user is given a good amount of images and catergories to help them find the cooking tips they are looking for. The Main page is divided into subcategories (basics, cookware, seasonings...). There's a carousel showing the favorite tips on the site and cards to help give the user a quick look.

## **Cooking Tips Spec Page**

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the user needs to learn how to cook and become a better chef in the kitchen (or out on the grill).

The more detailed page of the how to's in cooking.



#### **Mobile/Tablet Versions**

Reviewing the wire frames for both the mobile and tablet versions, you can see that there were a few changes made to help incorporate the design and help the user navigate through the site.

#### **Side By Side Buttons**

Placed the navigation buttons side by side so the user can see more of the page.

The first change was the location of navigation buttons. The mobile had the buttons above one another on the wire frame and now are side by side. The reason for this change is to help the users see more on the landing page with images of food and recipes.

Another change that was made was the location of the social media links. After careful review of other sites, it makes sense to place the social media link next to the cards in making it easier to see to the user and click on them.

One big change was flipping the tablet to landscape mode in order to display



more to the user. The the tablet can still go into portrait mode, but you can now see the difference between the two by looking at the wire frame and at the finished design that you see here.

The color and fonts help out the user to organize themselves as to where items are located. The drop down menu applies to these as they do to the website version.

Menu Bar

Click this to see how to subscribe, contact the site and send a recipe to the site.

The first page you'll see when app loads up



# A Man's Kitchen =

Search



**COOKING TIPS** ~





6 Col Grid

website (12 Col).







With garlic seasoning and fresh potatoes, your mouth is going to water for a while!

60 min Total Dinner Food

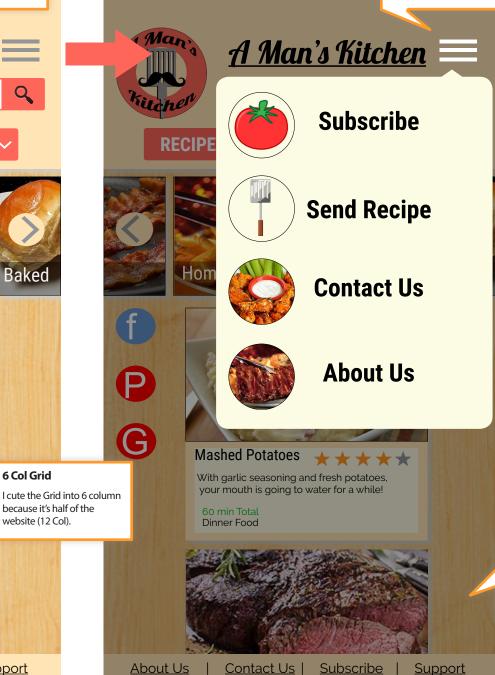


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# **Landing Page**

Basic app that has easy navigation buttons that the finger can press, a menu bar that guides you to easy contact info and images to swip through to find the perfect recipe that your stomach is aching for.

The app even comes with a quick search to help the user quickily find what they are looking for.

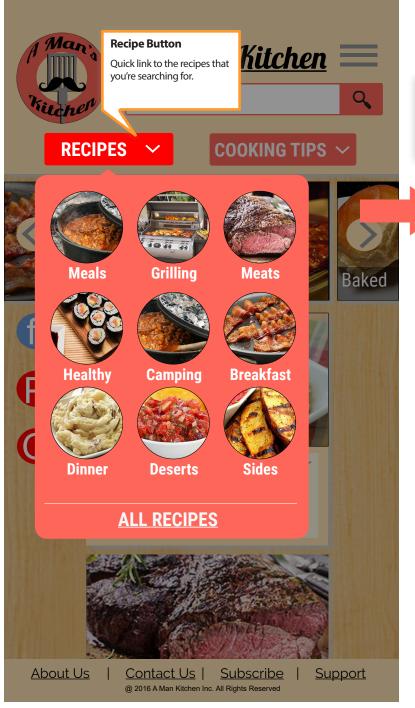
#### Menu Bar

Basic menu bar that shades the background to make the buttons pop out for easy pushing.

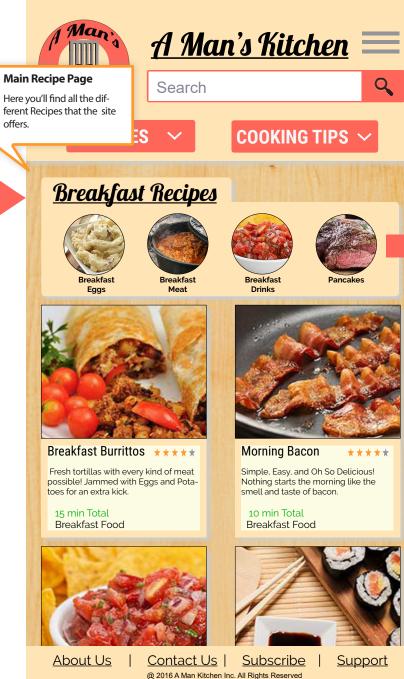
Has all that you need to contact the site, either by wanting to send a recipe yourself or wanting to subscribe to the site, this is an easy way for the user to stay in touch with what it going on with A Man's Kitchen.

#### **Shaded Background**

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#### Spec Recipe Page

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Here is a specific Recipe with directions, ingredients, ratings, and images.

**COOKING TIPS** 



#### Ingredients

- 4 pounds baby back pork ribs
- 4 cloves garlic, sliced
- 1 tablespoon white sugar
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- a 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons ground black pepper
- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- a 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- ▲ 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- 1/2 cup cider vinegar
- ♠ 1/2 cup ketchup
- ▲ 1/4 cup chili sauce
- 1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice • 2 tablespoons onion, chopped
- 6 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 clove crushed garlic

#### Directions

- Preheat oven to 300 degrees F (150 degrees C).
  Place ribs on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Scatter 4 cloves of sliced garlic over ribs. Cover, and bake for 2 1/2 hours. Cool slightly.
- 2 In a small bowl, mix together white sugar, paprika, salt, black pepper, chili powder, and ground cumin. Rub spices over cooled ribs. Cover, and refrigerate
- In a small saucepan, mix together brown sugar, cider vinegar, ketchup, chili sauce, Worcestershire sauce, lemon juice, onion, dry mustard, and 1 clove garlic. Simmer over medium-low heat, uncovered, for 1 hour. Reserve a small amount for basting; the remainder is a dipping sauce.
- (4) Preheat grill for medium heat.
- Place ribs on grill. Grill, covered, for about 12 minutes, basting with the reserved sauce, until nicely browned and glazed. Serve with remaining sauce

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# **BACK**

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A Page that fits all the material onto your screen!

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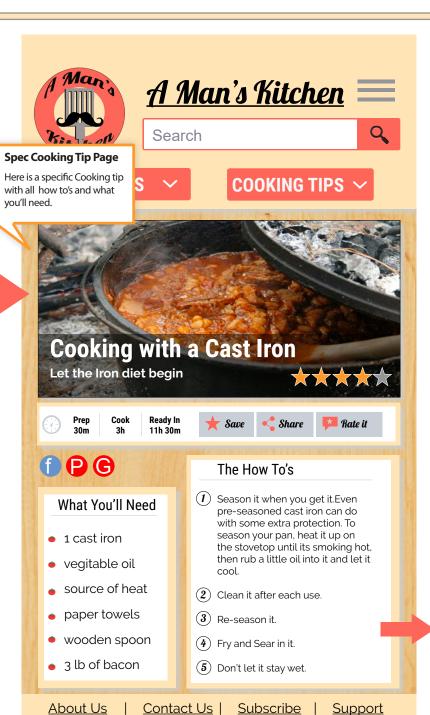
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## **Concept Model & Site Map**

The concept Model and the Site Map shows a great depth of design principles that I've learned from this course. It shows how I was able to chunk all of the information into an easy way for the user to memorize the items the site offers. It also uses Hicks Laws to make quicker and easier choices (which is a big deal when you're dealing with a lot recipes to choose from). Lastely, the models used the Wayfinding principle by organizing where the subjects are and helping the user have an easy flow of finding information.

#### **Wire Frames & Grid**

Similarity was a big principle that I used for the wire frames and setting up the grid. I wanted all of the shapes that went together be the same size and in the same location. Later, I added color to help distiquies the groups even more, but the wire frames were a big help in placing the groups and sizing them. I also used the wire frame to help with my Signal-to-Noise ratio by setting up enough spots for content but making sure it wasn't overbearing for the user.

## The Surface Comps.

The surface comps. showed a great deal of what the site would fully become. This was a big undertaking but luckily I was able to use the design principles learned from the course to help make the process effective and efficient. I was able to make the site Readable and consistent in the final versions. Using tips from the Aesthetic-Usability effect design helped bring the design to a good looking site that all can enjoy.

