

Sketching - a How To for Rapid Ideation

Sketching is a great first step to exercise your brain and get concepts on paper. It's a fast and cheap way to generate, visualize and communicate. Sketching also encourages iterations which is a helpful way to try ideas out before settling on one. In short - it's the perfect way to brainstorm, collaborate and get farther faster.

Pen and paper can be intimidating for those that don't think of themselves as artists. Change your mindset - sketching IS NOT drawing. It is simply getting ideas down quickly on paper.

Ready to sketch? Refer to the visual reference and helpful tips below. You'll be confidently sketching in no time!

Tips

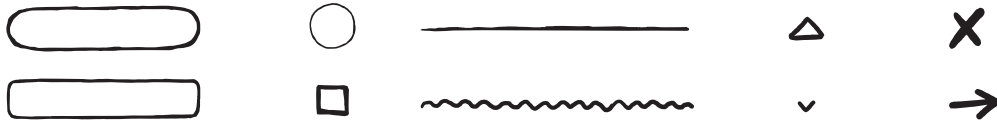
- Quantity over quality - get your ideas down quickly. They are not required to be pretty!
- Consider who you are designing for and the device it will be viewed on.
- Keep it simple! No need to detail out or decorate.
- Use real text to draw attention or emphasize. Use a squiggly line for non-essential text.
- Add a few notes to explain or clarify things.
- Take a picture when you're done.
- Share and get feedback.



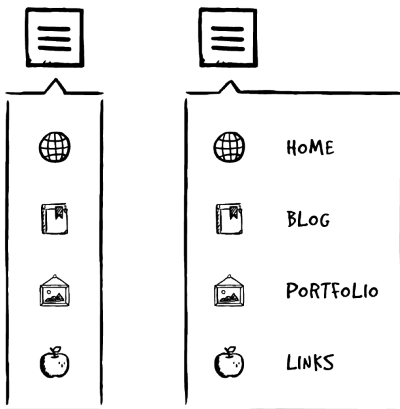
User Interface (UI) Sketching Cheat Sheet

Get a jump start on capturing your ideas with this helpful UI elements and patterns reference.

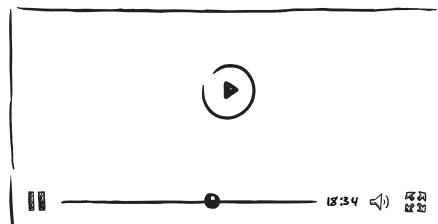
Simple Shapes



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Containers + Content

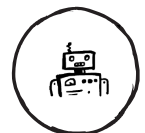


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