Don Gitonga Kiriinya

Software Engineer

Profile

Passionate Full-Stack Developer specializing in React, Next.js, Node.js, and Flask. I enjoy crafting high-performance web applications that enhance user engagement and business success. My expertise lies in building scalable, secure, and efficient solutions that solve real-world problems.

Skills

Frontend Development

React, Next.js, JavaScript, TypeScript, Tailwind CSS, ShadCN UI, Bootstrap

Databases & ORM

PostgreSQL, Supabase, Drizzle ORM, MySQL, SqlAlchemy

DevOps & Deployment

Vercel, Supabase, Neon DB, Cloudinary

Backend Development

Node.js, Flask, Hono

API Development

RESTful APIs, OAuth, JWT, Strapi

Education

Riara University

Computer Science

Jan 2025 – present
Nairobi, Kenya

Currently pursuing a degree in Computer Science with a focus on software development, data science, and emerging technologies.

Moringa School

Certificate in Software Development

Completed an intensive 6-month bootcamp, mastering full-stack web development. Awarded **valedictorian** for outstanding performance and leadership.

Nov 2023 – Jun 2024 Nairobi, Kenya

Professional Experience

Freelance Software Developer

- Developed custom web applications for over 3 clients, improving their online presence.
- Built responsive dashboards and landing pages, reducing page load time by 30% using **Next.js**, **Tailwind CSS**.
- Integrated APIs (payment gateways, authentication) to enhance UX and security.
- Engineered a secure backend (Node.js, Flask, Hono, PostgreSQL) capable of handling 10,000+ requests/sec.
- Worked with UI/UX designers to improve user engagement by 40%.

Jun 2024 – present Nairobi, Kenya

Projects

Vakeel Construction Dec 2024 – Jan 2025

Landing Page for a Construction Company

- Designed and developed a **responsive landing page**, improving mobile accessibility by 40%.
- Optimized images with **Cloudinary**, reducing page load time by 30%.
- Used **Next.js for SSR**, increasing organic traffic by 20%.
- Tech Stack: Next.js, Tailwind CSS, ShadCN UI, Cloudinary

MyWalletRafiki Jun 2024 – Nov 2024

Expense Tracking App

- Developed a **personal finance tracking app**, allowing users to track income and expenses with real-time analytics.
- Implemented **data visualization** features, improving user engagement by **35%**.
- Integrated secure authentication using OAuth and JWT, enhancing data security.
- Built a high-performance backend (Node.js, PostgreSQL), capable of processing 10,000+ transactions per second with enhanced security and data integrity.
- Tech Stack: React, Next.js, Node.js, PostgreSQL, Tailwind CSS, Chart.js