

Title And Type

What is the site you are mapping out? Are you mapping out a pre-existing sight? Or one that you are currently designing yourself?

Build Map

How is each page of your website going to fit together into one cohesive unit? A site map will determine how all the pages of your site connect and interact to meet your users needs. Draw each page as a small labeled box, and draw lines between the boxes showing how they will connect. Does the structure make sense? Do the sub-categories of the global navigation make sense according to your user research?

Reflect

Make annotations to your sitemap as nessesary. What might you change in the future?

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Why

Site Maps are a great way of getting an overhead view of a website. As you design an application or website, the Site Map will help you maintain a holistic view and prevent you from getting bogged down in details.

What came before?

- Ideation
- Decision Matrix
- Exploring An Idea
- Dot Voting
- Representation Models

- Observation
- Contextual Inquiry
- Interview
- Usability Testing
- Wireframe Page

What's next?

- Ideation
- Exploring An Idea

- Observation
- Contextual Inquiry
- Interview
- Usability Testing

- Prototype Analysis
- Wireframe Page

Tips

Use wireframes to design the details of each page of your site map.

The global navigation is a navigation menu that is visible throughout the whole site. Start mapping out a site with that, and then work down into the sub-categories.

Sometimes a lot of pages can sprout from one page. Try using sticky notes on a whiteboard to map out a site before copying it onto this sheet.

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