Mark Hesketh

Senior full-stack developer with 16 years of experience leading teams and delivering resilient back-end systems and modern front-end applications across eCommerce, retail and logistics.

Relevant Experience

Team Lead / Senior Developer · Venditan Mar 2018 — Present

Senior Developer · Venditan Jan 2017 — Mar 2018

- Led a client-dedicated 5-person development team delivering eCommerce, retail and fulfilment applications on the web and mobile for international B2B brands
- Architected and scaled a multi-tenant eCommerce monolith to support complex B2B operations (bulk orders, approvals, forecasting, drop-shipping, multi-hub dispatch and more) leading to the successful onboarding of several new B2B-focused clients
- Rebuilt the purchasing platform of a large UK retailer to a modern React front-end backed by a REST API supporting real-time updates, team-based collaboration, bulk operations and AI-driven purchasing decisions
- Facilitated on-site technical workshops with clients, turning bespoke business requirements into technical specifications across different industries
- Drove impactful initiatives to improve engineering practices and team culture, including the introduction of automated testing and an internal knowledge base

Senior Developer · Docnet Aug 2016 — Jan 2017

Developer · Docnet Jan 2015 — Aug 2016

- Built a React Native app for 100+ Android handheld scanners to perform stock movements, directed putaway/picking and stocktake audits at fulfilment centres and retail stores, improving accuracy by replacing error-prone manual workflows
- Delivered a PHP-based multi-tenanted CRM, support, and project management tool used for all client communication, time logging and critical support issues
- Developed custom eCommerce features based on unique business requirements, integrated into a large multi-tenanted web application
- Built integrations with many third-party services including Shopify, Amazon, eBay, Sage, Xero, Stripe, Klaviyo, DPD, Royal Mail, Parcelforce and more

Freelance Software Developer Feb 2012 — Jan 2015

- Delivered a bespoke Ruby on Rails eCommerce app for a handmade jeweller supporting wholesale sales, made-to-order workflows and component-level stock tracking
- Built, maintained and hosted custom websites for local businesses using Ruby on Rails, Laravel and open-source CMS such as WordPress and Drupal
- Partnered with digital agency teams to provide full-stack development expertise

Web Developer (Contract) · Spring Studios Apr 2012 — Aug 2014

- Collaborated with global luxury brands such as Tom Ford, Versace, Bally, Canali,
 Ferragamo and more to create high-impact eCommerce experiences
- Led redevelopment of the agency's website, working with stakeholders to deliver a responsive CMS-driven platform managed by multiple departments

Web Developer \cdot Big Web Warehouse Aug 2009 — Feb 2012

- Built a Ruby on Rails stock management and billing portal for 3PL warehouse customers to manage the storage and movements of their stock online
- Designed and developed several PrestaShop eCommerce stores and WordPress marketing websites for company products, services and ventures

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Technical Skills

Languages

Ruby, PHP, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, Bash

Back-end Frameworks

Ruby on Rails, Laravel, Symfony

Front-end Libraries

React, React Native, Hotwire, Stimulus, Alpine.js, Tailwind CSS

Testing

Minitest, RSpec, PHPUnit, Jest

Infrastructure

Docker, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Redis, Elasticsearch, Kamal, Kubernetes, Ansible, AWS, GCP

Education

University of Leeds 2005 — 2009

BA Graphic with Communication Design