

CHEAT SHEET 3

BRANDING FOR BEGINNERS – BUILD YOUR IDENTITY



1
DEFINE YOUR BRAND IDENTITY
Clarify what your brand stands for and its unique characteristics



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CONTINUOUSLY EVOLVE YOUR BRAND
Stay relevant by adapting your brand as your business evolves

2
DEVELOP A MEMORABLE LOGO
Design a logo that captures the essence of your brand and is easily recognisable.



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MONITOR YOUR BRAND'S REPUTATION
Keep track of how your brand is perceived and actively manage your reputation online.

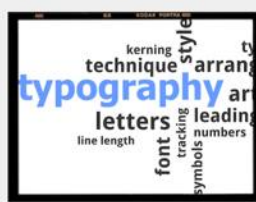


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CHOOSE YOUR COLOUR PALETTE
Select colours that convey your brand's emotion and message



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LEVERAGE SOCIAL MEDIA
Use social media to reinforce your brand identity and connect with your audience

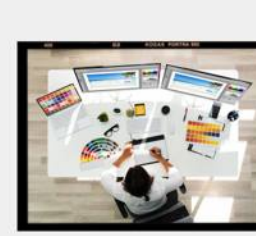
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SELECT CONSISTENT TYPOGRAPHY
Choose fonts that reflect your brand's personality and ensure readability



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BUILD A PROFESSIONAL WEBSITE
Your website should be visually appealing and embody your brand identity.



5
CREATE A BRAND VOICE
Develop a consistent communication method that aligns with your brand personality.



6
DESIGN CONSISTENT MARKETING MATERIALS
Ensure all materials consistently reflect your brand's visual and verbal identity

MAKE YOUR MARK WITH STRONG BRANDING

APPLY THESE STEPS & CREATE AN IMPACTFUL BRAND PRESENCE

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1. Define Your Brand Identity

- Establish your brand's core elements: mission, vision, and values. These should reflect what your business stands for and guide all your branding efforts.

2. Develop a Memorable Logo

- Create a simple, recognisable logo that reflects your brand identity. Consider professional help if design isn't your strength, as your logo is often the first impression your business makes.

3. Choose Your Color Palette

- Select colours that resonate with your brand's personality and industry. Colours evoke emotions and will play a significant role in all your visual communications.

4. Select Consistent Typography

- Choose two to three fonts that complement each other and use them consistently across all your materials. Consistency in typography helps reinforce brand recognition.

5. Create a Brand Voice

- Your brand voice is how you communicate with your customers and should be consistent in all written communications. Whether professional, friendly, or quirky, make sure it matches your brand personality and audience expectations.

6. Design Consistent Marketing Materials

- Ensure all marketing materials, from business cards to brochures and digital content, reflect your brand identity in design, colour, and voice. Consistency helps build a strong, recognisable brand.

7. Build a Professional Website

- Your website should be visually appealing and easy to navigate. Ensure it aligns with your brand in design, colours, and voice and effectively communicates your core message.

8. Leverage Social Media

- Use social media platforms to reinforce your brand by sharing content that aligns with your brand values and aesthetics. Consistently using your brand elements on social media helps increase brand awareness.

9. Monitor Your Brand's Reputation

- Monitor your brand's perception online and offline. Engage with customers, respond to reviews, and adjust your strategies to maintain a positive reputation.

10. Continuously Evolve Your Brand

- As your business grows and market dynamics change, your brand might need to evolve. Stay open to refining your branding to stay relevant and resonate with new and existing customers.

This cheat sheet is a foundational guide for new business owners to establish a robust and consistent brand that resonates with their audience and stands out in the market.

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