David **Tainton**

Full Stack Software Developer

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Skills

Languages: PHP, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL
Frameworks: Laravel, Magento 2
Frontend Technologies: HTML5, CSS3, jQuery, SCSS & LESS, Tailwind, React, PWA Studio
Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQLite
DevOps: Linux, AWS, Cloudflare, Docker, Kubernetes, Git
Technologies I'm Currently Learning: Next.js, Go

Work Experience

VAIMO, Remote   Feb 2025 - Present

Full Stack Magento Developer

- Spearheaded the development and ongoing maintenance of headless eCommerce solutions using Magento PWA Studio and React, delivering performant and scalable storefronts for leading South African retail brands.
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams including UI/UX designers, QA testers, and backend developers to deliver quality, client-focused solutions.
- Implemented performance optimizations, security updates, and code refactoring across frontend and backend layers to improve site reliability and maintainability.
- Contributed to agile development workflows including sprint planning, code reviews etc.

TRINK GROUP HOLDINGS (PTY) LTD, Port Elizabeth   Oct 2022 - Mar 2025

Full Stack Software Developer

- Worked closely with the director and key stakeholders to architect and develop a niche social media platform using Laravel.
- Coordinated with external development teams to oversee the creation of Android and iOS applications, ensuring seamless integration with the main platform.

WEBTONIC SOLUTIONS, Port Elizabeth   Mar 2020 - Sep 2022

Full Stack Software Developer

- Worked as part of a team to design and develop a bespoke ecommerce site targeted at the agricultural sector developed in Laravel. Took lead in technical discussion with the team and key stakeholders. Assisted with getting new developers up to speed on the project.
- Augmented companies development teams to develop and maintain ecommerce websites built using Magento 2.

VAIMO, Port Elizabeth   Jan 2019 - Mar 2020

Backend Magento Developer

- Worked closely with a large international hardware and diy supplies retailer to maintain and build additional functionality on their ecommerce site. This allowed the team to take the site from around R100 000 a month to over R1 000 000 a month in revenue.
- Built and maintained various Magento 1 and 2 modules that were critical to the operation of a number of large retail ecommerce sites.
- Assisted in onboarding and upskilling new hires on the tools and company procedures.

LATERAL SOLUTIONS, Port Elizabeth   Mar 2017 - Mar 2018

Full Stack Software Developer

- Worked closely with the owner of the company to conceptualize and develop two native Android applications along with web portals for the administration of the applications.
- Conducted maintenance on internal tools and websites built using C#, ensuring optimal performance and reliability.

Education

Varsity College   Jan 2016 - Dec 2018

Diploma in Information Technology and Software Development

The IIE Diploma in Information Technology and Software Development is accredited by the Council on Higher Education (CHE) and is registered with the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) as a 368-credit qualification on level 6 (SAQA ID: 74651).

Freelance Projects

- **Boiler and Burner Maintenance Tracker:** Took over development and took live a custom maintenance tracking website developed with Codeigniter for a company that specializes in the sale and maintenance of boilers and burners in the Eastern Cape. This allows them to accurately track maintenance and have automated reminders sent out when services and scheduled maintenance needs to be done.
- **CRM for Mechanics:** Maintained and built additional features for a custom CRM built in Codeigniter targeting mechanics and workshops.

Awards and Certificates

- **Excellence Award, Vaimo**
- **Top Academic Achiever, Varsity College**