Maurizio Giambrone

Profile

Versatile PHP developer with strong expertise in Laravel and modern full-stack development. Skilled in building and maintaining scalable business applications, SaaS platforms, and e-commerce systems. Adept at working across the full development lifecycle, with a focus on clean, testable code, SOLID principles, and cloud-native deployment (AWS, Docker). Experienced in Business Logic, Workflow Automation and modernising legacy PHP applications. Open to exploring other PHP-based technologies to support project and team goals.

Core Skills

- Languages & Frameworks: PHP (Laravel, Slim), TALL Stack (Tailwind, Alpine, Laravel, Livewire), HTML5, CSS3, Blade, Livewire Volt, JavaScript (Vue3, jQuery), Java
- Databases & APIs: MySQL, REST, GraphQL, Docusign API, AWS SES, SOAP
- Cloud & DevOps: AWS (EC2, S3, SES), Docker, Laravel Sail, Homestead, Valet, Deploybot
- Tools & Workflow: Git, GitHub, Bitbucket, Jira, Shortcut, Jenkins, Mattermost, Microsoft Teams
- Testing & Architecture: PHPUnit, Behat, TDD, SOLID Principles, Agile, CI/CD
- Legacy Tech: Lotus Notes/Domino, Java (Spring, Hibernate), JSP, Struts 2

Employment History

Full Stack Laravel Developer

Freelance / Upskilling (Remote)

Sep 2024 – Present

- Upskilling through hands-on projects while open to freelance opportunities.
- Actively maintaining portfolio and learning modern Laravel, TALL (Tailwind, Alpine, Laravel, Livewire), Vue3, and cloud technologies.

Career Break – Caregiving

Apr 2024 – Dec 2024

- Took planned time off to care for a family member following a serious accident.
- Continued professional development during this period to stay up to date with Laravel and modern PHP practices.

Full Stack Laravel Developer

technologyWithin (Remote)

Nov 2021 – Apr 2024

- Delivered core modules for the company's workspace licensing and billing app:
- Desk management system tied to floorplans and billing.
- Subscription system integrated with Dropbox HelloSign.
- Reception app using QR code guest check-ins (Laravel + Vue3).
- Built reporting tools using Laravel Queues and CSV exports.
- Refactored legacy codebase to align with SOLID principles and modern Laravel practices.
- Used Agile, GitFlow, and peer-reviewed pull requests for collaborative development.

Senior Backend PHP Developer

Savvy Investor (Remote)

Mar 2020 – Jun 2021

- Led backend redevelopment from Drupal to Craft CMS.
- Developed custom plugins: barred user system, AJAX quick edit, reporting tools.
- Built command-line tools to migrate content from Drupal to Craft.
- Set up AWS EC2 deployments using Deploybot and Atomic Deploy.

Backend PHP Developer / Web Team Lead

MOHC, Bournemouth

Apr 2018 – Mar 2020

- Rewrote legacy PHP ecommerce site into microservice-based REST API backend (Slim) + Angular frontend.
- Developed GraphQL authentication module.
- Promoted to Web Team Manager, led UI refresh project for pharmaceutical site.
- Delivered Java-based content migration tools using Coremedia CMS API.

Full Stack PHP Developer

Freelance (Remote)

Oct 2016 – Apr 2018

- Built workforce management features for US-based client PGC Global.
- AWS integrations: EC2, SES, S3 (presigned URLs for secure file access).
- Developed SOAP-based nutrition info sync service for a mobile app.

Laravel Developer

RLA, Bournemouth

Sep 2015 – Sep 2016

- Developed Laravel-based marketing platform "Ad Buyer".
- Integrated campaign tools (Campaign Monitor, Pure360).
- Maintained client websites (BMW, VW); used Laravel Homestead and Envoyer.

Full Stack PHP Developer

Clevertech Solutions, Bournemouth

Apr 2014 – Jul 2015

- Built eCommerce platform for UK high street bank.
- Delivered secure cloud encryption solution (Portico) for Barclays.
- Developed AWS-based bulk email platform and monitoring tools.

Java Engineer

SmartFocus, Bournemouth

Mar 2012 – Apr 2014

- Built personalization engine and data migration tools (MySQL → HBase).
- Worked on RESTful Java APIs and a multithreaded email personalization engine.

Lotus Notes / Java Developer

Donovan Data Systems, London

Feb 2006 – Mar 2012

- Built service-oriented reporting app (Java, Spring MVC, RabbitMQ, BIRT).
- Delivered support app using Java Struts 2.
- Supported legacy PHP and Lotus Notes applications.

* Earlier experience (1999–2006) available on request. Roles focused on Lotus Notes development.

Education
- BSc Hons Applied Psychology and Computing – Bournemouth University (2:1 Degree)
- RSA Advanced Diploma in Business Procedures – Bournemouth & Poole College (Merit-Distinction)

Certifications & Training
- Architecting on AWS
- Spring Core / Spring Web / Spring Integration (VMware SpringSource)
- Hibernate Introduction
- ISEB Foundation Certificate in IS Project Management
- Programming SQL Server 2000
- Business Objects 6.5 Web Intelligence Reporting
- IBM Certified Advanced Application Developer (Lotus Notes & Domino 6/6.5)