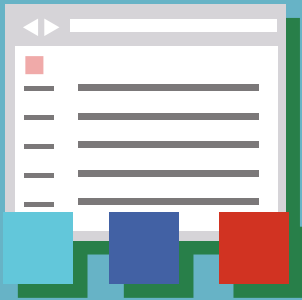


Building the foundations of your website

BEFORE STARTING TO PLAN YOUR SITE LET'S START WITH THE BASICS:



1.) PURCHASE YOUR DOMAIN

Domains can be purchased from many sources. I recommend [Namecheap](#), Google, UK Reg.

TOP TIP: Use [namecheckr.com](#) to check your domain name availability across all platforms!

2.) CHOOSE A HOST

I tend to choose a different host from the domain provider so that I don't have all my eggs in one basket. My top recommendation for superfast hosting is [Cloudways](#), however, for super easy set up [lonos](#) is reliable, gives a free domain for the first year and includes email hosting.



3.) MAKE YOUR SITE SECURE



An SSL certificate provides a secure link between the server where your site is hosted and the visitor's browser. This ensures any data passing between the two remains private and encrypted. I can install this for you.