

ANDRÉ MENESES

Software Engineer

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SUMMARY

Results-driven Senior Software Engineer with 15+ years of experience building scalable backend systems, APIs, and cloud-based solutions. Strong background in Python and modern backend ecosystems, with additional expertise in C#/.NET and cross-platform architectures.

Adept at designing resilient services that handle high-volume data, leading technical initiatives, and collaborating across teams to deliver impactful products. Passionate about continuous learning and adapting to new technologies, currently focused on distributed systems, observability, and developer experience tooling.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Software Engineer

Remote | 2022 – Present

SumUp (via Fivestars)

- Designed and scaled backend services and APIs (payments, user management) using Python and Go, ensuring reliability and performance.
- Built and maintained infrastructure tooling, APIs, and integration frameworks, accelerating product development across multiple internal teams.
- Drove standardization of engineering practices, improving developer experience and reducing time-to-market for customer-facing products.

Freelancing Full-Stack Developer

Remote | 2021 – 2022

Toptal

- Greensleeve Inc – Led development and ongoing maintenance of a web platform using JavaScript and bubble.io, improving usability and performance.
- Analytiks International, Inc – Built a cross-platform server monitoring script deployable without dependencies, ensuring reliable operation across diverse OS and environments.

Backend Developer

Remote | 2021 – 2022

abihome.de

- Built and maintained backend systems supporting student graduation services and internal management applications.
- Leveraged Python and Node.js to deliver scalable, maintainable systems aligned with business growth.

Senior Developer | Architect

São Mamede Infesta, Portugal | 2019 – 2021

ARPA Elastic Solutions

- Architected and developed platforms to manage and optimize RPA processes.
- Delivered end-to-end solutions using Python, Django, MySQL, JavaScript, HTML, CSS in a fast-changing client-driven environment.

Senior Software Developer

Matosinhos, Portugal | 2016 – 2019

ALS Global

- Built and enhanced a global client-facing web application, contributing across backend and frontend layers.
- Worked with SQL Server, .NET Core, C#, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, collaborating with teams across different business domains worldwide.

(Mobile) Software Developer

Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal | 2013 – 2016

Thing Pink

- Delivered multiple Windows Phone and UWP apps from concept to production using C# and XAML, integrating with REST APIs.
- Contributed to Android app development and scripting solutions.
- Led a team of Windows Phone developers, mentoring junior colleagues and ensuring delivery quality.

Software Engineer

Porto, Portugal | 2012 – 20213

WIT Software

- Developed a Java SIP Application Server forming the core of a mobile communication platform.
- Worked on audio/video encoding and decoding challenges, ensuring reliable real-time communication.



EDUCATION

Master in Informatics and Computing Engineering

Faculdade de Engenharia da Universidade do Porto

Porto, Portugal | 2004 – 2009

MAIN SIDE PROJECT

goals.zone

A platform that aggregates and classifies soccer highlights from Reddit r/soccer, providing users with a fast, organized and easy way to discover top content.

MAIN SKILLS

• Python • Go • C# • JavaScript
• React • AWS • Docker

LANGUAGES

• Portuguese | Native
• English | Proficient
• Spanish | Basic

Software Engineer

Porto, Portugal | 2009 – 2012

OPT – Optimização e Planeamento de Transportes

- Contributed to multiple transportation scheduling and optimization projects using C#, Oracle, WPF, Silverlight, Windows Forms.
- Designed automation solutions to generate schedules and optimize public transport operations.
- Started with an internship and transitioned into full-time engineering responsibilities.