YIGIT KANTEL
PRODUCT & INTERACTION DESIGNER

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PROJECTS

Eight Sleep – Design Hackathon
Rest Pod · Hypothetical brief
Challenge · 1 of 30 selected
Nov 2026 · Milan

- Designed Rest Pod around timing, not booking: it **predicts each employee's circadian dip** from Pod sleep data, books a 30-min nap into it and wakes them in light sleep.
- Designed a **separate no-Pod flow** where one question, "When did you wake up?", estimates the dip instead of sleep data.

Pass
Booking & payments product
Self-initiated · In build
Oct 2026

- Designing and building a booking product in React and Supabase, covering **cancellation, refund, no-show and lapsed subscriptions.**
- Designing the merchant dashboard for capacity, bookings and repeat customers; tickets are objects customers hold, not receipts.

Cash App (concept)
Dispute & resolution flow
Self-initiated · Case Study
Jun 2026

- Redesigned the dispute flow around **Regulation E,** with a **state model covering every step from reported to under appeal.**
- Designed the denial and appeal screens most products skip, backed by competitive research across four financial platforms.

Domani
Restaurant operations SaaS
Assignment · Case Study
May 2026

- Designed a five-module operations platform and a token-first design system, plus a written decision memo – **resulted in a job offer.**
- Built the information architecture before any screens, then designed responsive layouts across three breakpoints.

Piki
On-site ordering
Self-initiated · Case Study
Feb 2026

- Designed order, payment and pickup as one system across phone and counter; in usability testing, **4 of 4 participants completed the ordering task unassisted, averaging 1.5 min on task.**

EXPERIENCE

MTFS
Industrial Designer, Part-time Intern
Mar 2024 – May 2024 · Milan

- Designed bespoke trade-fair stands in Rhino and SolidWorks, documented well enough to be built on site without me.
- Produced construction drawings and building plans in Rhino, meeting non-negotiable fair regulations at Salone del Mobile 2024.

Isola Design
Scouting & Project Management, Intern
Sep 2023 – May 2024 · Milan

- Scouted and onboarded **120+ international designers** in Notion; **32 exhibited at Dubai and Milan Design Week.**
- Curated exhibition spaces for selected designers; exhibitions ran in two cities across one season.

EDUCATION

Scuola Politecnica di Design
Dec 2023
Master's Degree, Industrial Design

Özyeğin University
Feb 2022
BSc, Communication Design

Google
Jan 2026
Google UX Design Professional Certificate

SKILLS

Design & Research
Figma, Protopie, Lottielab, FigJam, Miro · User research, usability testing, prototyping, information architecture, design systems

Technical
HTML/CSS, reads React and JavaScript, implementation-ready handoff; prototypes and builds with Claude Code and Cursor

Languages
Turkish: Native • English: Professional Fluency • Italian: Conversational • German: Elementary