Why are you interested in working at Doist?

Hey Doisters, I'm André from Portugal 🍣



I'm really excited to apply to this frontend developer position. I admit to having a big fat crush on Doist and have been waiting on an open position for some time (I have even tried recently to cue myself in

https://twitter.com/andrezzoid/status/1220068370650890240). I read almost all your articles about productivity, teamwork and remote work. I'm also a paid Todoist user and everyday I am amazed at how every single detail of it is oriented so I can be as productive as possible. Before Todoist I was unable to cross 3 items off a TODO list, nowadays I even use it for keeping track of my meds.

Fanboy moment aside, I appreciate that Doist run a sustainable, profitable business in the age of VC's, that you have a global and diverse team that I'd love to be a part of and I believe Doist's mission is in line with my own professional mission to support others to do their best work. Should you hire me I pledge to support both fellow engineers and Doist users.

What two career highlights are you most proud of? Why?

I've been a web development teacher and a full time engineer, both of these paths have brought me some of the best moments I've had in my career. My teaching career was a highlight in itself, the first time I felt someone believed in me and gave me the opportunity to teach with so little experience as I had at the time, and I didn't disappoint. Over the next 5 years I taught thousands of students, even some of my very own University colleagues. Not all of them ended up pursuing this career path but I still keep in touch with dozens who did and are making a living out of it. That is incredibly rewarding.

I think my highlight as a software engineer was during these last 2 years at DAZN. As a consultant joining this aggressively growing company I've had the chance to start multiple teams with newly hired engineers and, even though I was not a team lead nor a manager and was one of the few remote engineers, I managed to grow from being an individual contributor to being the kind of person that would offer to onboard people, share knowledge and do pair programming sessions everyday in order to get everyone at the same level. To this day, months after my departure I still get messages from ex-colleagues letting me know they are doing the same for new hires in their respective teams.

What are the top three skills you would bring to Doist if hired as our newest frontend developer?

If hired as a frontend developer I'm bringing not only the required engineering skills for this frontend developer role, I'm also bringing a set of skills that would allow me to thrive at Doist:

- Communication: I'm a communicator, experienced at explaining complex concepts and creating empathy with people. I'm the kind of person who starts the day with a big good morning and a funny GIF. I want to nurture and build trust with the people I work with.
- Proactiveness: I'm constantly looking for ways to help others, either by helping onboard people, sharing knowledge or engaging in pair programming sessions. You know what they say, sharing is caring!
- Learning: I'm forever a student, of technology, of life. And I'm curious by nature. If I don't know, I'll gladly ask for help or offer to shadow someone so I can learn.

How do you handle (or prevent) bugs that only appear in one browser?

The way I've handled in the past possible bugs that only appear in certain browsers was through cross browser testing, either manually or automatically through automated tests. Automatic browser testing has the upside of being able to integrate a continuous integration pipeline and run on every code commit or merge request.

Please share some links to projects or work samples that reflect some of your best work? These could include apps, portfolios, a github profile and/or anything else that showcases your best work.

I don't have a lot of publicly accessible projects but please have a look into my website's source code at https://github.com/andrezzoid/andrezzoid.github.io, although I admit it's missing some of my best work.