

A WEEKLY
POWER
SERIES

OVERDOSE.
PEAK SEASON
POWER SERIES



PREPARING
BUSINESSES
FOR PEAK
SEASON

EPISODE #001 : PROFIT IN PEAK

PROFIT FOR PEAK.

AGENDA.

- Getting to know Carla & ProfitPeak
- BFCM 2024 Benchmarks
- Profitable Growth for Retailers
 - What drives profit
 - Plan your merchandising
 - Impact of discounting
- Customer Lifecycle and Retention



Meet Carla.





ABOUT ME

I'm a mum, wife, Co-Founder and second time CEO.

- Successfully exited multiple ecomm brands (it was not easy)
- Managed an inventory base with 25,000 active SKUs in our warehouse
- 70 wholesalers internationally to keep happy
- 90 staff across digital, marketing, customer service, operations and buying

THE ONLY PROFIT OPTIMISATION PLATFORM



MARKETING

- Multi-touch attribution
- Server side tracking
- Advertising profitability
- Product level attribution



INSTANT ANALYTICS

- Product intelligence
- Retention insights
- Customer lifetime value
- Creative summit
- Unlimited custom reports



ENRICHMENT

- Klaviyo flow enrichment
- Klaviyo dynamic product block enrichment
- Meta CAPI enrichment
- Shopify upselling enrichment
- Dynamic metafield enrichment



FORECASTING

- Revenue forecasting
- Multi-location inventory forecasting
- Multi-market inventory forecasting
- Open to buy recommendations
- Markdown recommendations
- Size curve demand modelling

 **SHERPA AI**

24/7 data analyst building reports, visualisations and making real time business recommendations



BFCM 2024 Benchmarks.

BFCM 2024 Benchmark Data



10-25% OFF

10-25% off discounts
outperformed deeper
discounting

AOV DECLINE BY 5%

AOV declined by 5%
on average

FRIDAY 29TH

was the biggest trading
day

ADVERTISING SPEND & COSTS SOARED

- Google spend increased by 120% MoM
- Meta spend increased by 105% MoM
- TikTok spend increased by 47% MoM
- Google CPC rose 25%
- Meta CPM rose 45%
- TikTok CPM rose 14%

OVERDOSE.

OVERDOSE BFCM 2024 vs 2023 BENCHMARKS AU ONLY

Spend

- Google spend increased by 22%
- Meta spend increased by 25%
- TikTok spend increased by 60%
- Pinterest spend increased by 50%
- Bing spend increased by 8%

CPC & CPM

- Google CPC rose 18%
- Meta CPM rose 11%
- TikTok CPM rose 12%
- Pinterest CPM rose 45%
- Bing CPC rose by 22%

ACQUIRE IN AUGUST & OCTOBER

- Aug & Oct new customer cohorts spent the most during November
- The best performing retailers achieved repeat shopping behaviour in Nov & Dec
- 75% of revenue was from new customers
- 16% of BFCM acquired shoppers returned
- Average post-BFCM return time was 70 days

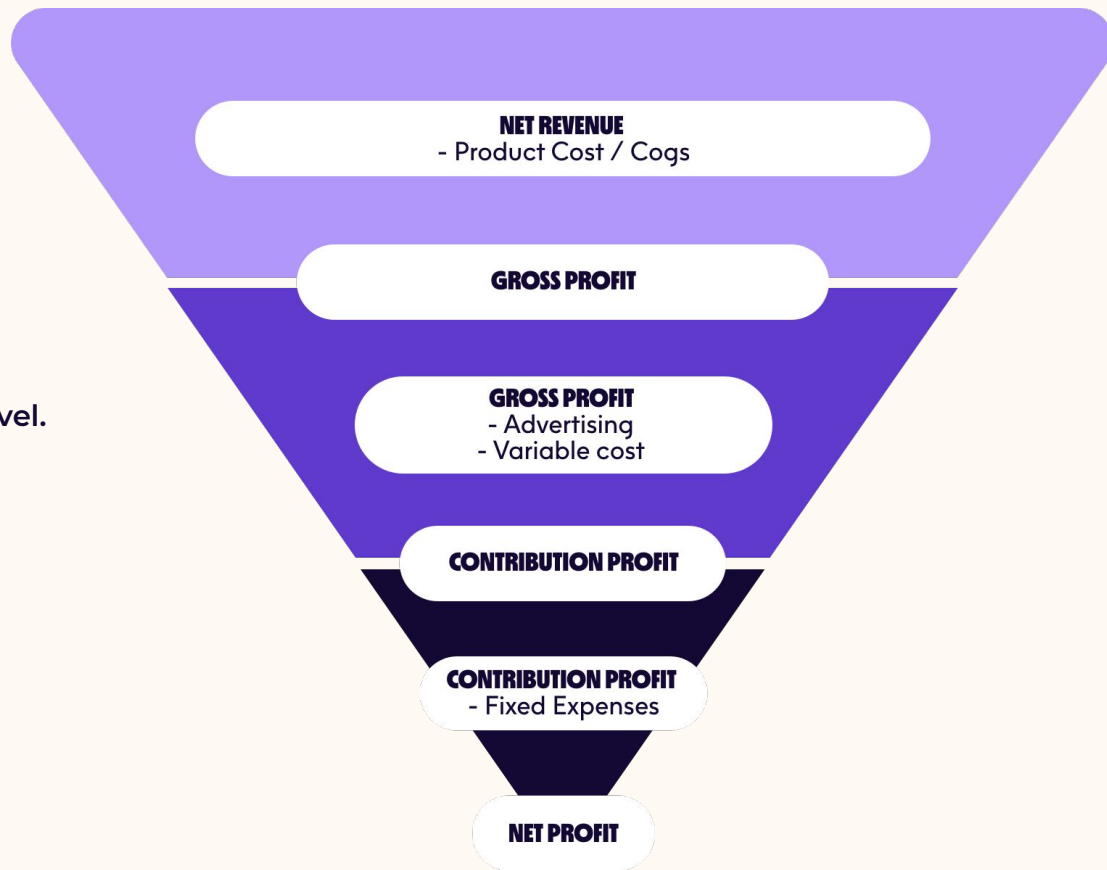
Profitable Growth for Retailers: ProfitPeak's Framework.

REVENUE GROWTH ISN'T ROI

True profitability lives at contribution profit level.

ROI comes from:

- Higher AOV
- Higher Margins
- Lower COGS
- Lower CAC



DISCOUNTING ISN'T FREE

The more you discount, the lower the CAC you can afford.

10% OFF



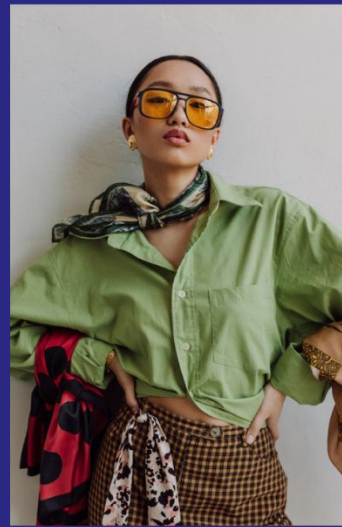
\$15 PROFIT

20% OFF



\$5 PROFIT

30% OFF



-\$10 PROFIT

RRP \$100

\$30 COGS

\$30 CAC

\$15 VARIABLE
EXPENSES

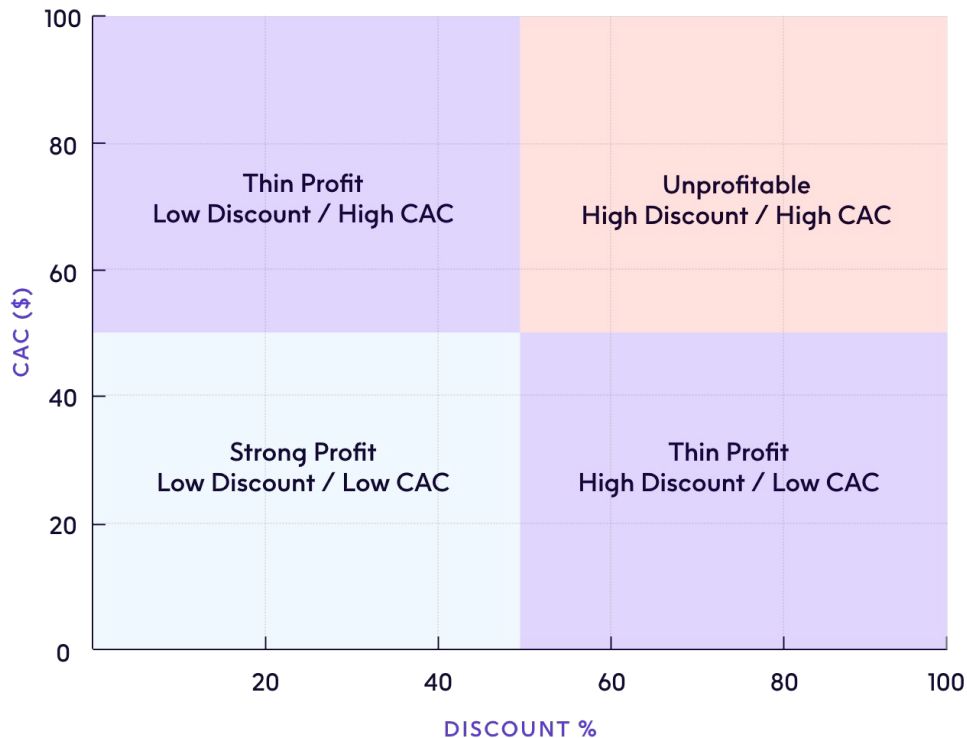
BALANCING DISCOUNT & CAC

Profit per order = net revenue - COGS - shipping cost - merchant fees...

Must be higher than your CAC to be profitable!

TIP: Boosting AOV during a sale can help to protect profitability

DISCOUNT % VS CAC: PROFITABILITY MATRIX



KNOW YOUR CAC CEILING

RRP: \$100

↓ -30% Black Friday Discount (\$30)

Selling Price: \$70

↓ -COGS (\$30) ↓ -Shipping (\$8) ↓ -MerchantFees (\$2.10) ↓ -Pick/Pack/Packaging (\$4) Total Variable Costs: \$44.10

Contribution Margin: \$25.90

Maximum breakeven CAC: \$25.90

and this is before we talk fixed costs!

Sherpa BETA

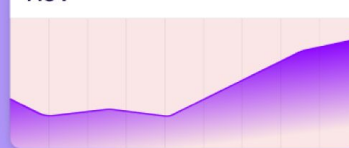
Hello Marianne,
How can I help you today?



Based on our AOV today and blended nCAC how much can we afford to discount, while making \$10 profit per order.

So long as AOV does not fall below \$80 and nCAC remains below \$25, you can afford a 20% off sitewide discount.

AOV



AOV \$160

AOV \$120

AOV \$80

CHANGE YOUR OFFER UP

To master inter-November repeat purchases, you have to get them in your CRM to email and/or SMS

BUNDLES

GIFT WITH
PURCHASEPRODUCT
EXTENSIONSINFLUENCER
COLLABORATIONSMYSTERY
BOXESFREE
SHIPPINGLIMITED
EDITION

EXCLUSIVITY

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PRIORITISE THE RIGHT PRODUCTS

1. ANCHOR PRODUCTS FOR NEW VS RETURNING CUSTOMERS

- New Customer Anchors → Entry-level, broad appeal, easy to gift, strong first-purchase drivers.
- Returning Customer Anchors → Higher-margin, premium, exclusive lines that deepen loyalty & LTV.

2. HIGH STOCK ON HAND (SOH)

- Prioritise SKUs with depth of inventory to scale without stockouts.
- Avoid wasted spend on low-SOH products that frustrate customers.

3. LOW RETURN RATES

- Focus ad dollars on products with proven fit/quality.
- Every return erodes BFCM profit - cut products with high return friction.

4. HIGH CONVERSION RATES

- Promote products with proven sell-through efficiency.
- Protect ad spend by leaning into SKUs with strong CVR

MANAGE INVENTORY AND ADS LIKE A PRO

Scale these top performers
Over-index on ad spend
Never go out of stock

A Class = Best Performers

The 20% of products driving 70% of your profitability

Cross-sell and merchandise
Invest in ad spend
Create more stock turns

B Class = Contenders

The 50% of products driving 20% of your profitability.

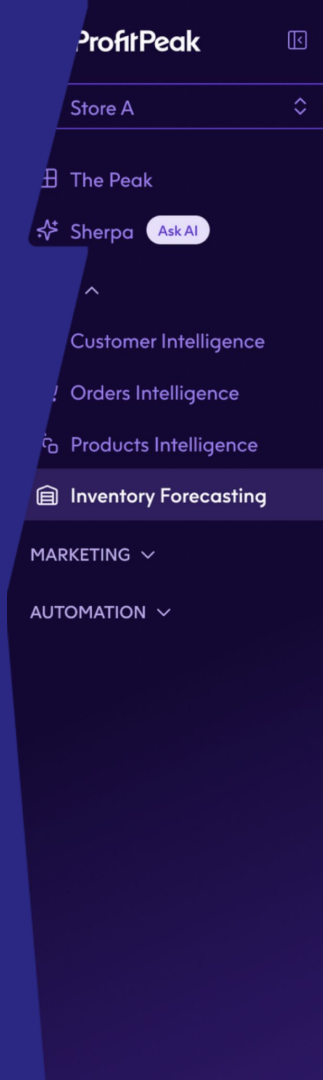
Segment out of main ad campaigns
Turn into cash ASAP

C & D Class = Holding You Back

The 30% of products driving 10% of your profitability.

REAL-TIME DATA DRIVEN DECISION MAKING

- Know your daily advertising budget, revenue target, CAC ceiling and contribution profit target
- Track how you are pacing intra-day
- Add fuel to the fire when needed by changing creatives or offers
- Don't panic if you need to re-set expectations

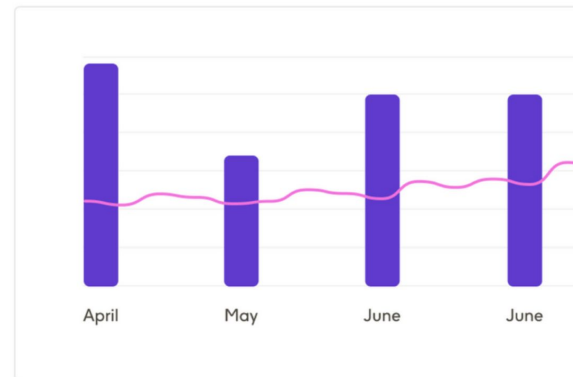


Inventory Forecast [Summary](#) [Inventory](#)

All locations

Next 3 months

Sales Forecast

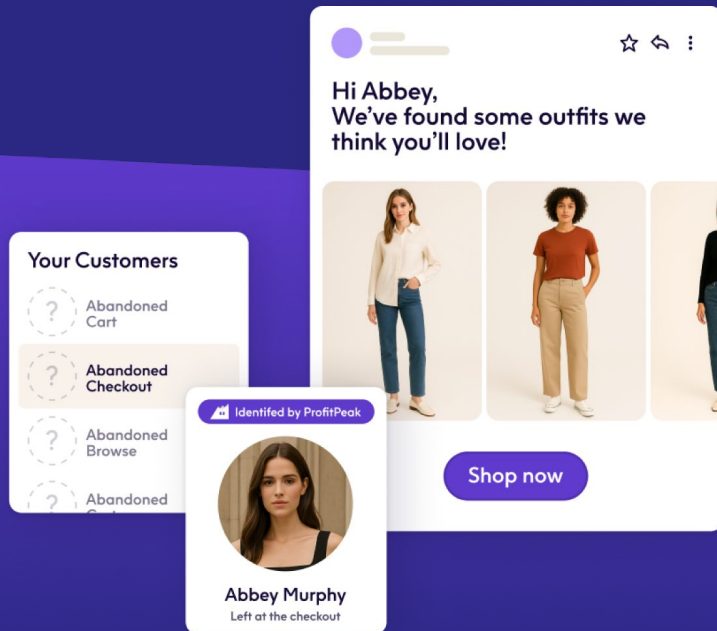


Month by Month Forecast

Month	Target	Assessment
August 2025	1.6m	Healthy
September 2025	1.8m	Healthy
October 2025	2.0m	Excess
November 2025	1.5m	Excess
December 2025	1.5m	At Risk
January 2026	1.5m	Excess

PLAN FOR RETENTION UPFRONT

- 🎯 Segment new vs. returning buyers: build flows for each immediately after purchase.
- 📧 Post-purchase journeys: thank-you, education, product usage tips, cross-sell.
- 🔄 First-to-second purchase programs: incentives within 30–60 days to lock in repeat orders.
- 📊 Measure beyond BFCM: track 90-day LTV, repeat purchase rate, subscription sign-ups.
- 💡 Shift mindset: BFCM is the starting line for customer lifetime value, not the finish line.



REMEMBER

- Profitability = measured at contribution margin
- Discount + CAC = two sides of same coin
- Growth can be profitable with structure: 5-step framework
- Retention = ultimate lever to stop the BFCM hangover



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THANK YOU.
DON'T BE A STRANGER.

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