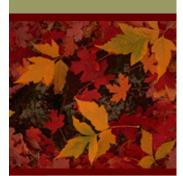
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# The cultural meaning of colors: Yellow

Several studies conclude that even the climate in which we live influences our color preferences, according to psychologist E.R. Jaensch. Jaensch"s research indicates those who live in climates with a lot of sunlight prefer warm bright colors; while those from climates with less sunlight prefer cooler, less saturated colors.

But the environment and the climate also dictate the way colours are classified, according to the relevance they have in the everyday life. For example, Eskimos use seventeen words for white as applied to different snow conditions.

In this Global Colors Trends issue, the meaning of yellow color in different countries will be examined. To be more specific, yellow is interpreted as:

### India:

- Sacred and auspicious
- The Symbol of a Merchant

#### Thailand:

- Considered auspicious as the bright yellow flower "cassia fistula" is a national symbol.
- Represents Buddhism.
- Yellow is considered the royal color, the color of Monday which is the King's birthday

## Egypt and Burma:

Color of mourning

Israel:

• Used to label Jews in the Middle Ages

#### Middle East:

- Happiness
- Prosperity

#### Japan:

- Courage
- · Beauty and refinement
- Aristocracy
- · Cheerfulness

#### Europe:

- · Happiness, joy
- Cowardice, weakness
- · Hazard warning

#### Western:

- · Happiness, joy
- Hope
- Cowardice
- Caution, warning of hazards and hazardous substances

#### Eastern:

- Sacred
- · Imperial

#### China:

- Sacred
- Imperial, loyalty
- Honor
- Masculine color















## The Global Colors Trends palettes are consisting of:

- The Nature's Fingertip
- •Simplicity is Better
- •Let's Party
- The Frozen
- •Luxury and Wealth

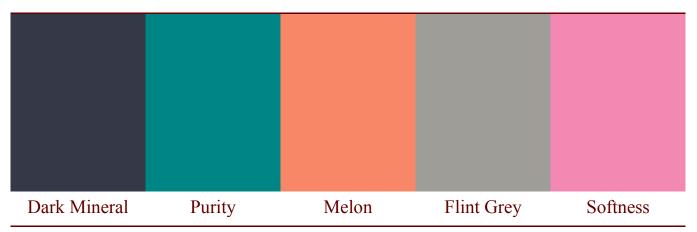
## The Nature's Fingertip

It represents the nature's impact. Colors that are perfectly combined with any winter landscape, classical and timeless shades are the components of this palette.



## Simplicity is Better

Purity, silence and minimalism are the major ingredients of this palette. The absence of complexity creates a modern freshness expressed by this proposal.



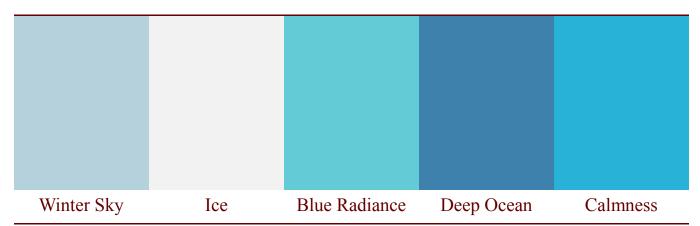
# Let's Party

An energetic set of lively colors creates a feel-good ambience. Traditional shades are taken to the next level, creating a pleasant and optimistic mood.



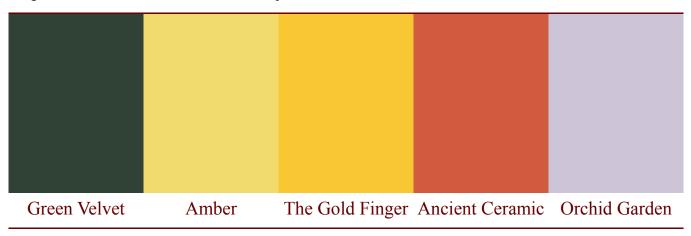
## The Frozen

Icy yet cozy, these colors are inspired by the cold winter ambiance. They create a frosted and matte perception. The illusion of the Arctic Ocean prevails in this palette.



## Luxury and Wealth

Natural and synthetic shades embrace the feel of gold, amber, green velvet and orchids. Warm reflections and an elegant ambience create this luxurious color palette.



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