100 new NCS Standard colours

For the first time since 2004, NCS Colour are launching new Standard colours, going from 1950 to 2050 colours.



Which white colour to choose? How to choose between different greige colours to get the right nuance, not too grey nor too beige? Can the famous Nordic light be adapted in a design, by using a specific colour hue?

By launching 100 new NCS Standard colour in the low chromatic colour area, NCS Colour aims to solve these



questions and make colour design choices easier.

A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE CAN MAKE A GREAT IMPACT Low chromatic colours are very important in interior & exterior design, product design and architecture. When looking at colour samples, it is often difficult to distinguish between one colour and the other. However, when the colour is applied, slight differences in nuance or hue can make a major impact on the final design. For this reason, NCS Colour is making the Standard range of colours denser in the low chromatic area of the colour space, by adding 100 new NCS low chromatic Standard colours, going from 1950 to 2050 Standard colours. This offers the user more options and greater control.

GLOBAL DESIGN COMMUNITY

The 100 new colours are the result of a joint effort between NCS Colour and a global community of colour professionals to improve the NCS System even further. New technology has enabled NCS to produce samples in completely new nuances with low chromaticness. These have never before existed in the NCS Standard colour range.

"The low chromatic colours are a constant in our top list regarding best-selling colours. We have seen over the years how important these colours are. They are frequently used in our colour development projects with the decorative paint industry, kitchen brands, home appliance, automotive industry etc. and recurrently top the list of most requested colours by the design community."

- Ingela Koski-Vähälä, Product Manager, NCS Colour



FOUR COLOUR AREAS

Low chromatic colours are the most frequently used colours in NCS apart from the truly Neutrals (N). The new colours focus on hues between Yellow and Red. This area of the NCS colour circle includes beige and brown (as a nuance of orange) and pink (nuance of red). Furthermore, "White" is an extremely important colour for paint. Even though there are countless white shades in the market, most of them have between 05 to 10 in Blackness and 00 to 02 in Chromaticness in NCS. For this reason, NCS adds two new nuances in this space, 0601 & 1001, which corresponds to the most sold whites apart from current Standard NCS.

"We take pride in constantly working to improve the Natural Colour System and its physical and digital representations. Adding 100 new Standard colours is an important milestone for us."

- Elin Askfelt, CEO, NCS Colour



UPDATED DESIGN TOOLS

In relation to the addition of new colours, NCS also releases an update of the most popular design tools containing colour samples of the complete NCS Standard range. This includes the products NCS Index, NCS Atlas, NCS Block, NCS Album and NCS Box. The updates are made to improve usability and the sustainability of the tools.



The 100 new colours and updated design tools are launched to the market 7th of April 2022.

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