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Color Wheel



Primary Colors

The colors from which all other colors come from. Cannot be created by mixing any other colors together.

Yellow Red Blue



Secondary Colors

These colors are a mixture of two primary colors. Example: Green is 50% Yellow and 50% Blue.

Green Orange Violet



Tertiary Colors

These colors are a mixture of a primary and a secondary color.

Example: Yellow-Orange is 50% Yellow and 50% Orange.

Yellow-Orange Red-Orange Red-Violet Blue-Violet Blue-Green Yellow-Green



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Color Harmonies

Groupings of colors that are harmonious together. These can be used as the basis of colorways in yarn.

Complementary Colors

Two colors opposite from each other on the color wheel. Example: Yellow and Violet.

Split Complementary Colors

Selecting a color, then using the 2 colors on either side of what would be the complement Example: Yellow, Red-Violet, and Blue-Violet.

Analogous Colors

Colors all next to each other on the color wheel. Example: Violet, Blue-Violet, Blue, Blue-Green.

Triadic Colors

Three colors evenly spaced on the color wheel. Example: Yellow, Red, and Blue.

Tetradic Colors

4 colors, 2 sets of complementary colors Example: Blue and Orange, Violet and Yellow.

Monochromatic Colors

Variations on one color Example: Red and pinks.













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