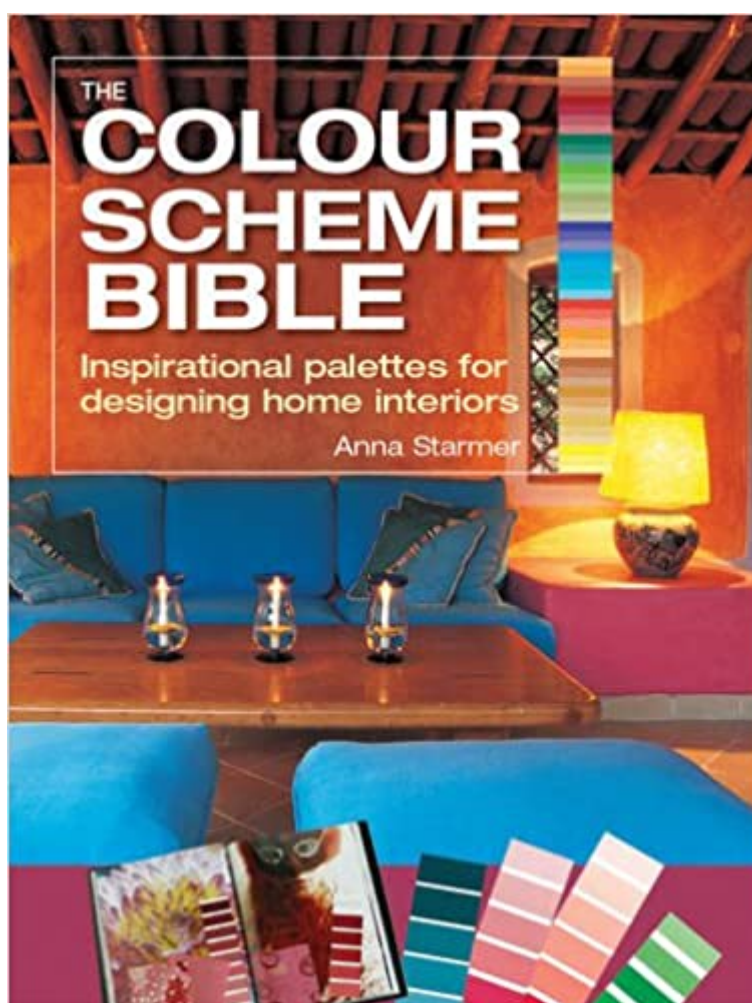


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# The Color Scheme Bible: Inspirational Palettes For Designing Home Interiors



## Synopsis

100,000 sold in hardcover It's hard to imagine a more comprehensive look at color scheme possibilities. --Los Angeles Times What a cool idea for the color challenged among us... 200 combinations fit for a king and queen and their royal family. --Booklist When it comes to decorating, the endless color choices available are enough to overwhelm the most determined home decorator. The Color Scheme Bible solves that problem, and with hardcover sales of 100,000 its value is well proven. This lay-flat paperback edition is sure to be an equally popular choice. With 200 color scheme ideas to choose from, The Color Scheme Bible is an easy-to-use and inspiring reference to using color in the home. It describes how colors interact and the effects they have on a room. It explains how to choose colors that complement each other for a subdued effect, and which colors and combinations energize a room. The book also includes 50 recommended palettes that can be used with different materials for refreshingly original color schemes. Features include: How color creates ambiance and atmosphere How to use color to give a small room the illusion of space and depth 200 distinctive color schemes inspired by nature, art, travel, and even a favorite possession 50 recommended palettes A "How to Use This Book" gatefold.

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## Customer Reviews

What a cool idea for the color challenged among us. Design expert Starmer claims to have sifted through 16 million color possibilities to produce 200 combinations fit for a king and queen and their royal family. The up-front introductions simply whet the appetite, from an abbreviated discourse on

the color wheel to two all-too-short ideas on gathering inspiration by creating scrapbooks or a mood board. Then come the palette choices, separated into nine hues. Each individual palette features eight hues: one main with three variations, along with an overview and mood; room applications (e.g., living room or kitchen); ideas for accents; and highlights, whether for balance or contrast. The only issue? Too many selections--and too few ways to cross-index and cross-reference. Barbara Jacobs

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[Review for previous edition] What a cool idea for the color challenged among us... 200 combinations fit for a king and queen and their royal family. (Barbara Jacobs Booklist 2005-07-01)

[Review for previous edition] It's a sophisticated mix-and-match system with some surprising color marriages... a useful self-consulting tool for the typical homeowner seeking adventure in a can of paint. (Shelley Fralic CanWest News Service 2005-03-26)

[Review for previous edition] Instant answers. (Country Woman)

[Review for previous edition] Mix colors with confidence. You'll find 150 color palettes ranging from pale to passionate. (Flare)

[Review for previous edition] An easy-to-follow and difficult-to-botch guide to the spectrum of home decor. (Michael Gordon Interiors)

[Review for previous edition] Discusses how to use color effectively in interiors... Highly recommended for public libraries. (Gayle A. Williamson Library Journal 2005-09-15)

[Review for previous edition] Starmer doesn't waste a lot of time on the platitudes of how a color will make you feel but offers practical advice on how color combinations match up in each room. You'll also love her take on fabric and surface textures as they relate to color, as well as her tips for selecting task, ambient and mood-creating lighting. (Mike McCarthy Log Home Living)

[Review for previous edition] It's hard to imagine a more comprehensive look at color scheme possibilities... What makes this book especially useful is the range of suggestions for adding color to every room in the house. (Robin Hagey Los Angeles Times 2005-08-18)

[Review for previous edition] Illustrates how color alters any space... [Starmer] explains colors, how they might work and how they work together. (Kathy Flanigan Milwaukee Journal Sentinel 2005-06-05)

[Review for previous edition] Works well as both instruction manual and idea book. Full of wonderful photographs, yet conveniently compact, it is a well-written . . . walk through the color palette. (Nashville Scene 2005-03-31)

[Review for previous edition] A sophisticated mix-and-match system with some surprising color marriages... a useful self-consulting tool for the average homeowner. (Shelly Fralic National Post 2005-05-26)

[Review for previous edition] 200 color combinations for the hue-challenged, from modern and funky to reserved and traditional... a nice alternative to the wall of paint chips. (Rebecca

Swain Vadnie Orlando Sentinel 2005-05-08)[Review for previous edition] Includes a section on how to combine natural and artificial lighting with color to fashion rooms that will be cozy, even in the midst of winter. (Merrie Destefano Romantic Homes)[Review for previous edition] If you're scared of color, or scared of choosing colors for the interior of your home... [this book] could allay your fears. (Cheryl-Anne Millsap Spokane Spokesman-Review 2005-08-11)[Review for previous edition] Helpful hints for working with light and creating mood... Believe it or not, pistachio-color walls really would look fab with that leaf green sofa. (Jenn Houlihan Style at Home)[Review for previous edition] Useful... readers will learn the best color combinations to suit their need. (Jaime Spangrude Woodland Hills Daily News 2005-04-30)Exceptionally thorough. (Reno and Decor 2012-12-01)

This book starts with a few pages about how to pick a color for your purpose. But what it really is, is a list of color schemes, one per page, 250 of them. Each scheme is five colors that she believes go well together. Two of the colors in the scheme are accent colors, the other three are the basic scheme. She lists 21 schemes for pinks going from palest peach to deep magenta. 23 orange ranging from persimmon to very dark brown. 23 yellows going up to a deep ochre. So the range is from soft pastels to very harsh and very dark colors. Is the book worth it? I'm not sure (hence the 3). I did find a couple of color schemes I liked in it, but I like yellow and there weren't many schemes for soft clear yellows. Most schemes were for the more intense, deeper, muddier yellows that I don't care for. I believe that's true for the other colors as well. For my taste, I think I could have done as well playing with paint chips for an afternoon. Deliberately choosing to use 5 colors per room in particular proportions was a novel idea for me, and one I probably wouldn't like to stick to. So I guess I didn't get much for my time or money.

This is an excellent book....the beginning of the book explains a little about colour schemes etc and how to use the book. 80% of the book covers colour schemes for red, orange, browns....etc..practically all the colours of the rainbow.....for each colour scheme..there is a recommendation for other suggested accent colours. I am soooo pleased that I purchased this book.....it will assist me in choosing colours for quilts.....fabric as well as rooms that require a change in colour scheme..... great buy....go get it.

This is actually just a fair color guide if you're considering what colors go well together in painting a room, or rooms, or for a paint project using different colors. Also helpful in working with coordinating colors. I wouldn't say this was a 'bible' as the title suggests, because it isn't quite that indepth. Just

mainly a book of color scheme suggestions, using the same paint guide materials you can find for free in a home improvement store.

I have always had problems deciding what color combinations worked well together. So when I read a review about this book in my local paper I decided that this book might help. It has helped me visualize the color combinations I am considering for my master bedroom remodel. I now can pick a wall color & see at a glance what other colors will complement it, rather than just relying on my rather questionable "eye for color". It helps make the remodeling & redecoration process easier & definitely more fun for anyone who is color challenged!! also like wire bound page format of this book. This makes it easy to keep pages open to the one's you are looking at & I feel that it will maintain its like new condition even after years of use.

i adore this book it helps with every imaginable thing when it comes to color theory, it helps with any idea of what color looks good with another.. it is like the holy grail of color thought.. and i bought it from a seller who really gave me an amazing deal.. i recommend the book and i recommend the seller.

I teach interior decorating and color is one concept I lavish on. And have spent a great deal of time learning about. The color schemes don't clearly stick to the rules of color scheme selection. And are not identified by the basic color scheme types...rather titles like "Diverse, Neat and Tidy", "History, heritage and heirloom". Pause for a moment, do any of you know what colors these titles include or refer too? Me, neither! Now a word about the format...not well done...simply looked like someone took a paint brush and swiped some colors on a page, gave it some fanciful name. I guess I thought it would show many examples of the basic color scheme types like monochromatic, related, triad,complementary, etc. It is not too beneficial to me as an instructional tool. And I am afraid for someone without an previous color knowledge this could lead them in the wrong direction for using color.

Why did it take me so long to find THE COLOR SCHEME BIBLE? I'm patting myself on the back . . . what an excellent purchase!If you are a DIY person AND looking for "the best" illustrated color scheme book with "how to" main color samples and accent samples, this is the book for you. There are eight (8) color suggestions per page defined with Color-Coded Bullets, Mood-Enhancing Color Schemes for bedrooms to family rooms, Ideas for Finishes & Accessories, Different Tones

(intensity) of a Main Color, Accent Colors for an Adjacent Wall or Upholstery Fabrics including two (2) Highlight Colors to complete a finished room design. There are Simple Color Rules with paint color examples, an explanation and reason why and how to build your color selections. This is A SIMPLE TO USE AND EXECUTE COLOR SCHEME BIBLE.

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