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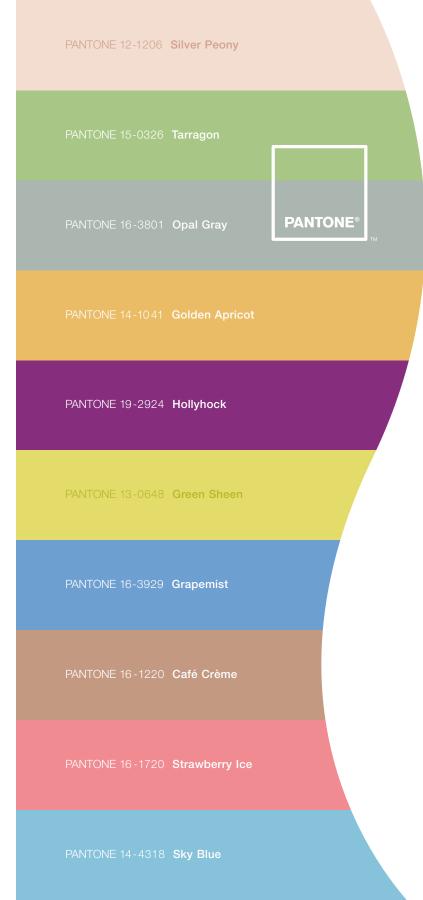
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New York fashion designers are flourishing in a season of new beginnings, using surprising neutrals with innovative splashes of corals, yellows and purples to create a spring in bloom. Tarragon is the freshly cut stem to the blossoming shades of sweet Strawberry Ice, warm Golden Apricot and violet-infused Hollyhock. Café Crème is the rich, creamy contrast to the serenity of calming Sky Blue or the deliciousness of refreshing Grapemist. The yellow glow of gleaming Green Sheen and the blushing beauty of diaphanous Silver Peony reflect the infusion of life brought by spring.

While cool Frost Gray was an important presence in fall of '06, the newest neutral for spring is found in glimmering **Opal Gray**, providing the background to spring's multifaceted, complex brights that can make even the most basic silhouette come alive.

"Most often, colors are not completely reinvented each season," observes Leatrice Eiseman, executive director of the Pantone Color Institute®. "Instead, they evolve from one season to the next. The Apple Cinnamon of fall, for example, becomes the Café Crème of spring. What does change each season is the variation of the colors, and/or the combinations of colors. While navy, black and white are still a presence for spring '07, designers are choosing a greater variety of neutrals as the canvas for this season's captivating new hues."

For 13 years, Pantone has surveyed the designers of New York Fashion Week to bring you the season's most important color trends. This sketchbook previews color for spring 2007. It is also available online at www.pantone.com/spring2007.







Michael Vollbracht for Bill Blass

PROMINENT COLORS
Earth tones mixed with metallic sherbet colors
INSPIRATION
A wonderful piece of music
SIGNATURE COLOR
Magenta
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Mix, mix and more mix



Carmen Marc Valvo (cover fashion sketch)

PROMINENT COLORS
Silver mixed with Dusty Rose, Black and Ivory
INSPIRATION
Paintings by Georgia O'Keeffe
SIGNATURE COLOR
Silver
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Color with shimmer







Douglas Hannant

PROMINENT COLORS
Broad range of Grays and Silver from cool to warm, shades of White, and muted Blues and Greens INSPIRATION
Mediterranean region
SIGNATURE COLOR
Lapis Blue
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Sun-drenched shades that reflect light







Zac Posen

PROMINENT COLORS
Sunset, Nacre, White Gold, Rose Quartz,
Shell, Fog, Aqua, Indigo and Black
INSPIRATION
Watery distortions
SIGNATURE COLOR
Marigold
COLOR PHILOSOPHY



Sun-drenched hues

Catherine Malandrino

PROMINENT COLORS
Black and White—both glossy and matte; Pearl Gray and Nude; primaries of Red, Blue and Yellow INSPIRATION
Mondrian's color palette
SIGNATURE COLOR
Nude and Bold Red, Yellow or Blue
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
A composition of Black, White and Nude with an intense surprise of Red, Blue and Yellow







Y&Kei

PROMINENT COLORS

Cool Taupe and Gray with Matte Silver accents, Light Tan and Pale Gold to Cream with Crisp White, along with Blues from Sky to Navy INSPIRATION

Nature—the energy and movement in the elements SIGNATURE COLOR

Taupe

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

A monochromatic palette—everything is light in color and in feeling



Tracy Reese

PROMINENT COLORS
Ochre, Zinnia, Watered Berry and Slate
INSPIRATION
The vibrant nature and cultures within Latin America

SIGNATURE COLOR

Java

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Mixing and layering colors with textures for a fresh and energetic color palette for spring







Reem Acra

PROMINENT COLORS

Colors are those from a haberdashery: Slate Gray, Pinstripe Silver and neutral tones accented with surprise dashes of more vibrant, warm tones INSPIRATION

A fusion of my travels to both romantic destinations and sleek, urban cities

SIGNATURE COLOR

Pomegranate

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

I want my customer to experience the drama of color, to use color to make a statement and to create an aura of excitement when she enters a room.







Naeem Khan

PROMINENT COLORS
Shades of Pink and Fuchsia, Ivory and Brown
INSPIRATION
The books *The Twentieth Wife* and *The Feast of Roses*about Nur Jhan, the mogul queen
SIGNATURE COLOR
Pinks from roses of the world
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Soft, feminine, romantic







Cynthia Steffe

PROMINENT COLORS

A range of Blues with citrus primaries: Lemon Yellow, Watermelon and Lime Green; Navy, White and Black are also an important foundation.

INSPIRATION

I wanted a bright, happy color palette for a fun and flirty '60s sensibility. Vibrant, luscious colors are looking very modern right now.

SIGNATURE COLORS

All shades of Blue, from Vivid Cobalt to Ink to Midnight Navy COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Fresh, clean, sexy brights—colors that are pure and happy



Peter Som

PROMINENT COLORS

Warm neutrals such as Burlap, Putty and Oyster Gray mixed liberally with Marigold Yellow, Cerulean Blue and Cherry Red. Undertones of shimmery soft Gold add glow. INSPIRATION

Mid-18th century French paintings by Boucher and Vigee-LeBrun SIGNATURE COLOR

Marigold Yellow

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Rich combinations of nuanced neutrals with the graphic punch of "Old Master" paint colors







Yigal Azrouël

PROMINENT COLORS

The color palette is very cool and crisp:

Optical White paired back to Slate Gray with a shot of Cantaloupe. I am also using a lot of heathers

in Gray and Beige.

INSPIRATION

Architecture was the biggest influence.

SIGNATURE COLORS

Grays: Stone and Slate

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

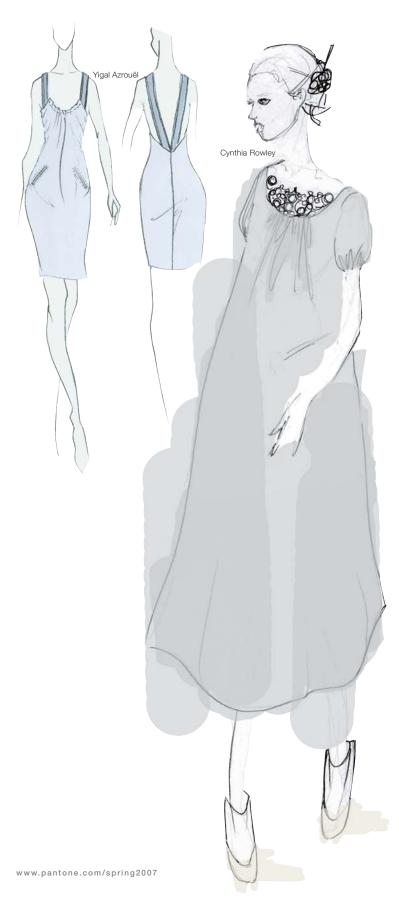
Cool and minimal



Cynthia Rowley

PROMINENT COLORS
Lemon, True Red, Putty, our signature
Cynthia Rowley logo Blue
INSPIRATION

Lacquered wicker—it plays with both unadorned and intricate color palettes and patterns







Lela Rose

PROMINENT COLORS

Mulberry, Saffron, Topaz Blue, Verdant Green and Malted Chocolate INSPIRATION

Cecil Beaton's iconic 1948 photograph of girls in Charles James' billowing taffeta dresses—the gowns mix ethereal Pale Gray and Malted Chocolates with Pungent Saffron, Golden Pollen, Mulberry and Verdant Greens. SIGNATURE COLORS

Pungent Saffron, Verdant Green, Topaz Blue and Mulberry COLOR PHILOSOPHY

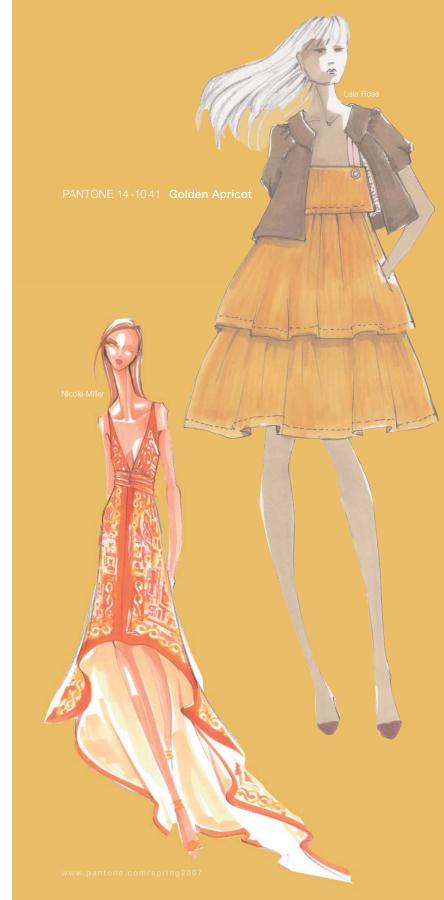
Soft, muted tones as a base but infusing every look with a heavy pigmented color



Nicole Miller

PROMINENT COLORS
Clay and Chartreuse, Ivory and Oatmeal, Sage and Gold INSPIRATION
A trip to Tulum and the Mayan ruins
SIGNATURE COLOR
Clay
COLOR PHILOSOPHY

A lot of neutrals with bright accents and metallic highlights







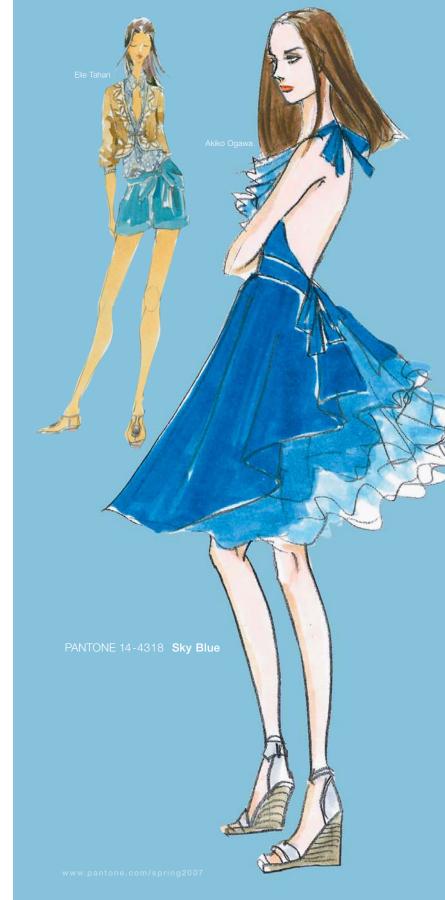
Elie Tahari

PROMINENT COLORS
Deep Claret, Black Plum, Burnt Coral, Iceberg Green,
Ballad Blue, Dress Blues, Wood Rose, Rose Taupe
INSPIRATION
Old-world garden parties in full bloom
SIGNATURE COLORS
Orchid, Mocha, Lavender and Flax
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Versatility



Akiko Ogawa

PROMINENT COLORS
Blues graduating to Aqua and Turquoise with
Reds and Sunny Yellow streaked through like
rays of sunlight at dusk
INSPIRATION
Oceans of Marrakesh and Indonesia
SIGNATURE COLOR
Malibu Blue and Bright White
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Nature's strong yet gentle embrace







Sue Stemp

PROMINENT COLORS

Cream and Raven, Parchment, Straw, Clover and Cameo accented with a Hot Fuchsia Pink, Tudor Rose Red and Electric Bluebell with shades of Lilac

INSPIRATION

An Elizabethan English garden in spring with futuristic flashes of punk

SIGNATURE COLOR

Cameo

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

The color palette is a pretty, fresh base of washed-out neutrals infused with bold brights and silvery metallics.



Tia Cibani for Ports 1961

PROMINENT COLORS

Warm Tan, Ecru and Sage with accents of wax cord in Cool Gray and Dusty Fuchsia. A burst of color highlights the overall collection in Coral and Persimmon Red. True Black punctuates key evening looks.

INSPIRATION

Luxury train travel circa 1940—the golden era of train travel referencing the heritage of Argentina, where centuries-old traditions mix with global civilizations

SIGNATURE COLOR

Fuchsia

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Deep, sultry colors with a dusty finish for a vintage feel are contrasted with neutrals and a hint of metallics for a rich couture expression.







James Coviello

PROMINENT COLORS

Mauve Lavender, Pea Green, Cream Blush and Vintage Rose with accents of Faded Citrus Yellow, True Turquoise, Deep Fuchsia and Metallic Baroque Gold INSPIRATION

A mix of European baroque and paired down Palm Beach elegance SIGNATURE COLORS

Mauve Lavender and Baroque Gold COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Neutrals and soft pastels shot with bold color and Gold accents—basics mixed with bright accents



Kathryn Dianos for KYKLOS

PROMINENT COLORS

Sun-drenched colors such as Terracotta, Ochre and Sienna; beach-inspired colors combining Sand, Pebble and Shell tones INSPIRATION

The colors of the earth in Provence and the beaches of the Greek Islands

SIGNATURE COLORS

Sand and Pebble

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

I feel strongly for neutral shades worn together and layered. Where I used color, it looks as if it were naturally bleached by the sun.







Nanette Lepore

PROMINENT COLORS

Dusty Blue, Pale Blue, Mint Green, Navy Blue—
Indigo color combinations
INSPIRATION

A Venetian holiday
SIGNATURE COLORS
Pale Blue and Chartreuse
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Last season it was all about earth tones; this season is about being fresh, crisp, cool and modern.



Baby Phat by Kimora Lee Simmons

PROMINENT COLORS
Brick Reds, Khakis and shades of Tree Trunk Browns,
Bone White with Warm Greens, Cool Pinks and
Tempting Orange
INSPIRATION
The tropical rainforest of Brazil
SIGNATURE COLOR
There is no one color for our spring '07 collection.
COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Tropical colors as they apply to the Brazilian rainforest







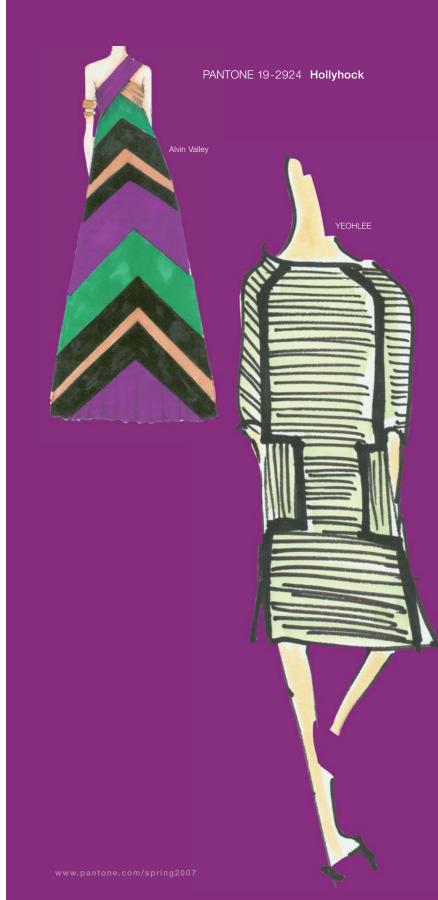
Alvin Valley

PROMINENT COLORS
Fern Green, Majesty, Champagne Beige, Caviar and Princess Blue
INSPIRATION
Iconic figures such as Mary McFadden, Joan Collins as Alexis in *Dynasty*, Baby Jane Holtzer
SIGNATURE COLOR
Rich Gold
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
The Emerald Green of Bulgari, the Sapphires of Bucheron, the Rubies of Cartier



YEOHLEE

PROMINENT COLORS
White, Cream, Beige, Brown and Green
INSPIRATION
Los Angeles
SIGNATURE COLOR
White
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Purity







Rachel Roy

PROMINENT COLORS
True Navy, Almond, Cool Ivory, Soft Aqua Summer with Soft Grays and Lemon Yellow
INSPIRATION
Summer Greek Isles in the 1970s, Rear Window featuring Grace Kelly
SIGNATURE COLOR
Navy
COLOR PHILOSOPHY
Clean, wearable, relaxed yet elegant



Esteban Cortazar

PROMINENT COLORS

Black and White combinations with jewel tones of Emerald Green, Jade, Peacock Blue and Desert Red INSPIRATION

The deep vibrant colors of the Arabian Desert as well as the rich, vibrant jewel tones found in Middle Eastern mosaics SIGNATURE COLORS

Combinations of Black and White with surprises of color COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Black and White combinations, which capture a clean and slick, modern feeling, and jewel tones of Emerald Green, Jade and Peacock Blue, which represent the beautiful piercing and seductive eyes of a woman





Betsey Johnson

PROMINENT COLORS

Peachy Pinky Boudoir Blush with Red, Dove Grays with Blues, all shades of Yellow with a Green touch INSPIRATION

The old ('30s lingerie) with the new ('80s strong brights) SIGNATURE COLOR

Boudoir Blush

COLOR PHILOSOPHY

Opposites attract: highly personal combos of neutrals and brights, dusty dirties with clean Whites and pastels



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designers mix fashion + home

the must-haves

Pantone asked the designers to translate their spring 2007 fashion colors to interior paint colors and describe the room:

Akiko Ogawa Cobalt Blue matched with Bright White and Soft Pink for a bedroom Alvin Valley Fern Green with Caviar borders Michael Vollbracht for Bill Blass Magenta for a foyer Carmen Marc Valvo Silver in the living room—it's very Hollywood glam and mid-century modern. Douglas Hannant Lapis Blue is a strong background to play off Black and White. Elie Tahari The Lavender shade shown throughout the collection painted in a breakfast room can brighten a space year-round.

Esteban Cortazar Teal — We have underlying tones of Teal throughout the collection that would translate to a clean and modern interior color. James Coviello Pea Green — I can see it very clearly since it is the color of the dining room in my country house. Ebonized furniture and gift accessories with accents of Lavender Lilacs highlight this color to perfection. Kathryn Dianos for KYKLOS Faded Terracotta tones applied in a textured way to give a naturally aged appearance Lela Rose Pale Gray is a beautiful color for an area where an expanse of a muted color is necessary, like the living room, and Mulberry would be an indulgent color for use in a small but precious room like a powder room. Nanette Lepore Pale Blue makes a bedroom peaceful. Nicole Miller Mustard would be great in a dining room. Peter Som Marigold Yellow would make a chic and happy statement in an entry foyer or breakfast room. Tia Cibani for Ports 1961 Fuchsia as it is rich and deep with a tame, dusty overtone. A dining room or bedroom will be beautiful in this color as it is rich and luxurious which makes for an inviting ambience. Rachel Roy A bedroom in Almond Reem Acra I would surround myself with walls of Pomegranate where I could lavishly entertain or just curl up with a book. It is such a warm, inviting and passionate color. Tracy Reese Slate would transform a living room into a tranquil and inviting environment. Y&Kei Cool Grays and Silver in the living area would be

Yigal Azrouël I actually do interior design in the showroom seasonally to appropriately backdrop the collection. I would have to say Stone Gray in my studio. Zac Posen Rose Quartz walls in a tropical boudoir with Aqua, Marigold and Tangerine sheets

serene with objects from nature as accents—peaceful and reflective.

Akiko Ogawa A Blue dress for both daytime and evening wear

Michael Vollbracht/Bill Blass Long matte jersey gown in Magenta

Catherine Malandrino A mini folded pleat dress in cotton duchess

satin in bright Yellow

Cynthia Steffe My Cobalt Blue Brigitte dress

Douglas Hannant Suede mini shift dress with a stone belt

in Lapis Blue

Elie Tahari A Daniella Jacket — a suede cropped jacket

in a Silt hue with cinched sleeves and

intricate cutout trim

James Coviello A chiffon dress in a multi-colored, abstract

watercolor print

Kathryn Dianos/KYKLOS A very slim pant in a natural fiber mixed with

LYCRA® for comfort in Sand or Pebble Gray

Lela Rose Saffron laundered taffeta three-tiered dress

or a Chalk eyelet top with roses framing

the neckline

Naeem Khan Racerback top in embroidered roses

Nanette Lepore A Pale Blue patent leather shoe with

Black strapping

Nicole Miller Ivory blouson top with Gold beads

Peter Som Butter Yellow Watteau-back dress

in cotton taffeta

Tia Cibani/Ports 1961 The tango dress in Fuchsia

Rachel Roy Cardigan in Navy or Ivory

Reem Acra A super luxurious t-shirt in a

sophisticated palette

Sue Stemp The Byrd Dress—a draped, wrap-over

halter neck party dress in a cotton/silk/Lurex®

jacquard with beaded Swarovski fringe in either

a shimmery Cameo color or Raven Black

Tracy Reese A stretch paper poplin cowl-back frock in Slate

Yigal Azrouël A perfectly draped jersey chiffon dress

in Slate with contrast silk moiré straps

Zac Posen A braided jacket in precious metals

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