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## Primary Colors

Cannot be created by mixing other colors

O Red
O Yellow
O Blue

Secondary Colors
Combinations of two primary colors

O Green

- Orange

O Purple

Tertiary Colors
Combinations of primary and secondary colors

## Color Harmony

A color scheme is a pleasing arrangement of colors. It can be based on:
analogous colors
3 colors that are side by side on a 12-part color wheel

## COMPLIMENTARY COLORS

Colors that are directly opposite from each other on the color wheel (e.g. red and green, blue and orange)

## NATURE

Colors that are inspired by a forest, a garden, the ocean, etc.

## The 60-30-10 Rule for designing homes

- 60\% dominant color (e.g. wall color)
- 30\% secondary color (e.g. upholstery color)
- 10\% accent color (e.g. accent color)


## Monochromatic Colors

Take a single hue and add white, black, or gray to create various hues

O Add white it's a tint
O Add black it's a shade
O Add gray it's a tone

## Create Contrast

Rooms that have contrasted elements tend to appear more defined. Contrast can be created with shade and light, varying depths of color, and combining warm and cool tones.

## Warm Tones vs. Cool Tones

Warm tones, like red, yellow, and orange, have a warming cozy effect and can make rooms seem smaller or more intimate.

Cool tones, like purple, blue, and green, are said to have a calming and soothing effect. They appear to recede so they can make smaller rooms appear larger.


