

Finding colors in the landscape

Color choice has a big impact on how well a structure blends with the surrounding landscape. Colors that blend with shadows and other dark tones in the landscape help development recede rather than stand out. In most cases, the Management Plan requires dark earth tone colors found in the surrounding landscape on the exteriors of structures visible from Key Viewing Areas. Bright colors, light colors, and colors not found in the landscape increase a structure's visibility. All colors tend to look brighter and lighter when applied to exterior surfaces. The larger an area is, the brighter and lighter it appears.

Recommended Colors

This chart includes a recommended palette of colors. It does not include every dark earth tone color present in the Scenic Area. The chart represents a sample of colors and a range of shades. You may be able to use colors that don't have an exact match on the recommended chart. Colors found in the Scenic Area vary from site to site depending on variables such as the direction the site faces and the type of vegetation present. Look to the proposed development site for color possibilities.

The Special Management Area allows structures on sites not visible from Key Viewing Areas to be earth tones found at the specific building site or surrounding landscape. This chart includes some earth tone colors that are not dark, which may be found in the landscape and may be acceptable for these Special Management Area sites.

Dark Earth Tone Colors

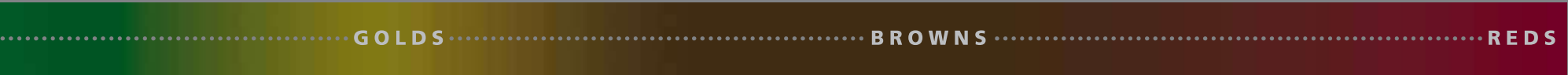
You should choose a color that is present in the landscape at or near your building site. These are dark earth tone colors found in many areas of the Scenic Area.

**NOT ALL COLORS ON THIS CHART
MAY BE APPROVED AT ALL SITES.
PLEASE CONSULT YOUR REVIEW
AGENCY.**

Earth Tone Colors

These colors are earth tones. They are not dark colors and are not recommended for sites visible from Key Viewing Areas.

		BLUES GREENS				
		1	2	3	4	5
A						
B						
C						
D						
E						



Dark Earth Tones

Earth Tones

The more visible a structure is from a Key Viewing Area, the more important color selection becomes. If a proposed structure can be sited so that it is well screened and shaded by existing topography and vegetation, a broader range of colors may be approved.

While color selection is important, other factors contribute to how well a structure can be seen. Distance from Key Viewing Areas, screening by topography and vegetation, exterior textures, and surface variation must be considered together with color to help a structure blend with its surroundings.

Most manufactured home dealers offer standard and custom color options that are similar to the dark earth tones recommended in this Handbook. Available color options change frequently.

You must submit color samples for all exterior building materials. Exterior building components are shown in Figure 18 in the materials and reflectivity section. The review agency may ask you to apply a sample of the color to the exterior material so that it can better assess the color/material combination.

Some additions and pre-existing structures may not be required to be painted dark earth tone colors.



A lighter dwelling will stand out against its background.



The same dwelling painted a dark earth tone with a dark roof will blend into its background.



Even smaller structures stand out noticeably when light colored



Applying dark earth tone colors to accessory structures and unscreened utility facilities helps them to blend with surroundings.