

CAPTURE COLOUR ADD-IN



When formatting your spreadsheets, the built in default colour palette is only so big and for the most part won't contain all your favourite colours.

Typing in the RGB value of your colour and adding to the Recent Colours palette is a pain. Not only that, frustratingly the Recent Colours is limited to that workbook.

Introducing the 'Capture Colour' Add-in. With this Add-in all of your saved colours are available to all workbooks! Just open the Add-in, select your saved colour and click '+ to recent colours'.

Context menus have been added to the text boxes so that you can Cut, Copy, Paste and Undo your colour codes to the text boxes.

The screenshot shows the 'Capture Colour / Colour Converter' window. It has a title bar with a close button. The window is divided into several sections:

- Capture Colour:** Contains a color picker icon and a '+ recent colours' button.
- Save Colour:** Contains 'open txt file' and 'save colour' buttons.
- Convert Colours:** Contains input fields for RGB (r, g, b), hex, and long values, each with a corresponding 'Convert' button.
- Stored Colours:** Contains radio buttons for 'Black text', 'Grey text', and 'White text'. Below these are checkboxes for 'bold', 'italic', 'underline', and a 'no format' button. A 'swap colours' button is also present.
- Search Colours:** A search bar with a red 'X' icon.
- Colour List:** A table listing various colors and their corresponding values.

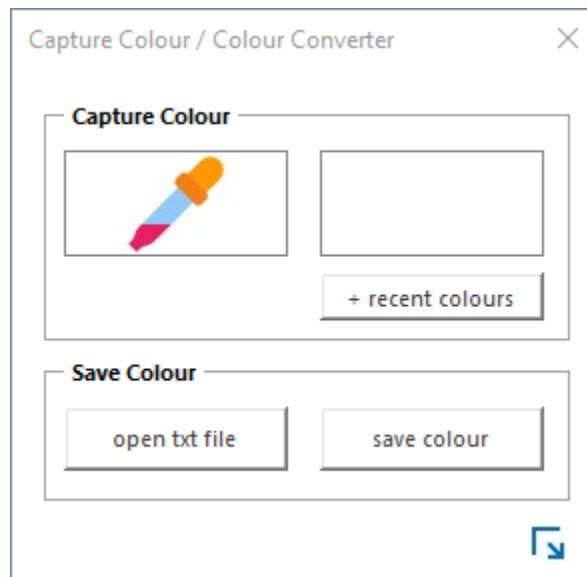
At the bottom, there is a link to the 'Online User Guide' and a small icon in the bottom right corner.

Color Name	Value
Excel Green	207245
Publisher Green	077265
Outlook Blue	1E70B6
Word Blue	2A5699
Access Red	A33639
Powerpoint Red	D24625

Below is a look at each section of the Add-in.

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Capture Colour



Capture any colour on the screen (even outside the Excel app) by clicking on the colour picker, drag and release on the colour anywhere on the screen to capture that colour. The RGB, Hex and Long value of the captured colour will populate in the 'Convert Colours' section.

Click the '+ recent colours' to add the captured colour to your Recent Colours panel.

Save Colour

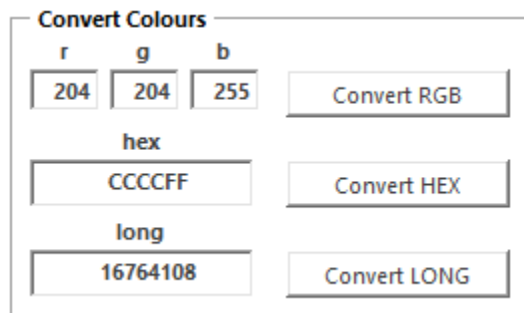


Included with this download is a text file preloaded with 6 colours picked from the office 365 apps. You need to save this txt file in the Add-ins folder where your Excel Add-ins are stored.

When you click the open txt file the app it will open this file.

Clicking 'save colour' will prompt you to enter a descriptive name to your picked colour. The colour name and hex value will be appended to the txt file.

Convert Colour



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The RGB, Hex and Long values of each colour capture populates here.

Additionally you can get your own RGB or Hex or Long values from the internet and click convert; for example a Hex value of 207245 will convert the RGB values to 32, 114, 69 and Long value to 4551200.

After converting the colour then shows in the box at the top. Extensive error handling has been added to this tool to ensure that valid RGB, HEX and Long codes are entered.

Stored Colours

Colour Name	Hex Value
Excel Green	207245
Publisher Green	077265
Outlook Blue	1E7086
Word Blue	2A5699
Access Red	A33639
Powerpoint Red	D24625

The ListBox populates all of your saved colours in the text file.

A single click on a listed colour will put that colour at the top, from there you can change the font colour to Black, Grey or White. You can also format the font to bold, italic or underline. Clicking 'no format' will uncheck bold, italic and underline.

You can 'swap colours' which will swap the font and fill colours in the box .

Typing in the 'Search Colours' textbox filters the list of colours as you type. It searches both name and hex values which is why encourage you to be descriptive with your colour name, putting in the colour family is a good idea too i.e. green or blue.

To rename or delete any saved colours simply click the open txt file button, select the colour you want to amend, save and close.