# useColorScheme

Respond to color scheme updates from the **Appearance** module.

The return value indicates the current user preferred color scheme. The value may be updated later, either through direct user action (e.g., theme selection in device settings) or on a schedule (e.g., light and dark themes that follow the day/night cycle).

```
import { useColorScheme } from 'react-native';
const colorScheme = useColorScheme();
```

## API

### Return value

**useColorScheme** returns the color scheme value.

> **colorScheme**: "dark" | "light" | null
>
> A string representing the color scheme.

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