

Scotch-Brite Pad Color Guide (Approx. Grit Equivalents)

Color	Approx. Grit Equivalent	Notes
Brown	80–120 (coarse)	Heavy duty; aggressive cleaning, rust/paint removal
Green	120–150 (medium-coarse)	General purpose; scrubbing, oxidation removal
Maroon	180–220 (medium)	Most common shop pad; surface prep for finishing and painting
Gray	320–400 (fine)	Blending finishes, smoothing, light cleaning
White	600+ (very fine)	Non-abrasive; final polishing, between-coats sanding
Blue	800+ (ultra fine)	Very gentle; cleaning delicate surfaces, polishing plastics/metals
Gold/Orange	Variable specialty	Automotive & specialty use; ranges vary by manufacturer