

# Package ‘viridis’

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**Description** Port of the new 'matplotlib' color maps ('viridis' - the default -, 'magma', 'plasma' and 'inferno') to 'R'. 'matplotlib' <<http://matplotlib.org/>> is a popular plotting library for 'python'. These color maps are designed in such a way that they will analytically be perfectly perceptually-uniform, both in regular form and also when converted to black-and-white. They are also designed to be perceived by readers with the most common form of color blindness.

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scale_color_viridis	<i>Viridis color scales</i>
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Description

Uses the viridis color scale.

Usage

```
scale_color_viridis(..., alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1,
  discrete = FALSE, option = "D", direction = 1)

scale_fill_viridis(..., alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1, discrete = FALSE,
  option = "D", direction = 1)
```

Arguments

...	parameters to discrete_scale or scale_fill_gradientn
alpha	pass through parameter to viridis
begin	The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap begins.
end	The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap ends.
discrete	generate a discrete palette? (default: FALSE - generate continuous palette)
option	A character string indicating the colormap option to use. Four options are available: "magma" (or "A"), "inferno" (or "B"), "plasma" (or "C"), and "viridis" (or "D", the default option).
direction	Sets the order of colors in the scale. If 1, the default, colors are as output by <a href="#">viridis_pal</a> . If -1, the order of colors is reversed.

Details

For discrete == FALSE (the default) all other arguments are as to [scale\\_fill\\_gradientn](#) or [scale\\_color\\_gradientn](#). Otherwise the function will return a discrete\_scale with the plot-computed number of colors. See [viridis](#) for more information on the color scale.

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## Examples

```
library(ggplot2)

# ripped from the pages of ggplot2
p <- ggplot(mtcars, aes(wt, mpg))
p + geom_point(size=4, aes(colour = factor(cyl))) +
  scale_color_viridis(discrete=TRUE) +
  theme_bw()

# ripped from the pages of ggplot2
dsub <- subset(diamonds, x > 5 & x < 6 & y > 5 & y < 6)
dsub$diff <- with(dsub, sqrt(abs(x-y))* sign(x-y))
d <- ggplot(dsub, aes(x, y, colour=diff)) + geom_point()
d + scale_color_viridis() + theme_bw()

# from the main viridis example
dat <- data.frame(x = rnorm(10000), y = rnorm(10000))

ggplot(dat, aes(x = x, y = y)) +
  geom_hex() + coord_fixed() +
  scale_fill_viridis() + theme_bw()

library(ggplot2)
library(MASS)
library(gridExtra)

data("geyser", package="MASS")

ggplot(geyser, aes(x = duration, y = waiting)) +
  xlim(0.5, 6) + ylim(40, 110) +
  stat_density2d(aes(fill = ..level..), geom="polygon") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(panel.grid=element_blank()) -> gg

grid.arrange(
  gg + scale_fill_viridis(option="A") + labs(x="Viridis A", y=NULL),
  gg + scale_fill_viridis(option="B") + labs(x="Viridis B", y=NULL),
  gg + scale_fill_viridis(option="C") + labs(x="Viridis C", y=NULL),
  gg + scale_fill_viridis(option="D") + labs(x="Viridis D", y=NULL),
  ncol=2, nrow=2
)
```

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viridis

*Matplotlib 'viridis' color map*


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## Description

This function creates a vector of  $n$  equally spaced colors along the Matplotlib 'viridis' color map created by [Stéfan van der Walt](#) and [Nathaniel Smith](#). This color map is designed in such a way that

it will analytically be perfectly perceptually-uniform, both in regular form and also when converted to black-and-white. It is also designed to be perceived by readers with the most common form of color blindness.

## Usage

```
viridis(n, alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1, option = "D")
```

```
viridisMap(n = 256, alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1, option = "D")
```

```
magma(n, alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1)
```

```
inferno(n, alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1)
```

```
plasma(n, alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1)
```

## Arguments

n	The number of colors ( $\geq 1$ ) to be in the palette.
alpha	The alpha transparency, a number in $[0,1]$ , see argument alpha in <a href="#">hsv</a> .
begin	The (corrected) hue in $[0,1]$ at which the viridis colormap begins.
end	The (corrected) hue in $[0,1]$ at which the viridis colormap ends.
option	A character string indicating the colormap option to use. Four options are available: "magma" (or "A"), "inferno" (or "B"), "plasma" (or "C"), and "viridis" (or "D", the default option).

## Details

Here are the color scales:



`magma()`, `plasma()`, and `inferno()` are convenience functions for the other colormap options, which are useful the scale must be passed as a function name.

Semi-transparent colors ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ) are supported only on some devices: see [rgb](#).

**Value**

`viridis` returns a character vector, `cv`, of color hex codes. This can be used either to create a user-defined color palette for subsequent graphics by `palette(cv)`, a `col` = specification in graphics functions or in `par`.

`viridisMap` returns a `n` lines data frame containing the red (R), green (G), blue (B) and alpha (alpha) channels of `n` equally spaced colors along the 'viridis' color map. `n` = 256 by default, which corresponds to the data from the original 'viridis' color map in Matplotlib.

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**Examples**

```
library(ggplot2)
library(hexbin)

dat <- data.frame(x = rnorm(10000), y = rnorm(10000))

ggplot(dat, aes(x = x, y = y)) +
  geom_hex() + coord_fixed() +
  scale_fill_gradientn(colours = viridis(256, option = "D"))

# using code from RColorBrewer to demo the palette
n = 200
image(
  1:n, 1, as.matrix(1:n),
  col = viridis(n, option = "D"),
  xlab = "viridis n", ylab = "", xaxt = "n", yaxt = "n", bty = "n"
)
```

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viridis.map

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*Original 'viridis' color map*


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**Description**

A dataset containing the original RGB values of the default Matplotlib color map ('viridis'). Source: [https://github.com/BIDS/colormap/blob/master/option\\_d.py](https://github.com/BIDS/colormap/blob/master/option_d.py).

**Usage**

```
viridis.map
```

Format

- A data frame with 1024 rows and 4 variables:
- R: Red value
  - G: Green value
  - B: Blue value
  - opt: The colormap "option" (A: magma; B: inferno; C: plasma; D: viridis)

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viridis_pal	<i>Viridis palette (discrete)</i>
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Description

Viridis palette (discrete)

Usage

```
viridis_pal(alpha = 1, begin = 0, end = 1, option = "D")
```

Arguments

- |        |  |
|--------|--|
| alpha  | pass through parameter to viridis  |
| begin  | The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap begins.   |
| end    | The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap ends.   |
| option | A character string indicating the colormap option to use. Four options are available: "magma" (or "A"), "inferno" (or "B"), "plasma" (or "C"), and "viridis" (or "D", the default option). |

Details

Here is an example of a 20-element palette:



See [viridis](#) for more information on the color scale.

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**Examples**

```
library(scales)
show_col(viridis_pal()(10))
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