

How to change or add theme to Android Studio?

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I have just installed Android Studio in my Window 7 64bit.
When I launch the application the background of the screen where we write the code is white.
I would prefer black or any other color.
I am not sure whether we can change the color/theme OR add more themes.



android-studio

themes

edited Feb 27 at 16:00



Zoe

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asked May 16 '13 at 5:15



kongkea

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for window 7 64 bit. we need to add System Variable
JDK_HOME with value c:\Program Files\Java\jdk1.7.0_21\ –
[kongkea](#) May 16 '13 at 5:34

1 I didn't in fact i am happy your working in anew fresh tool like
android studio. – [Abhijit Chakra](#) May 16 '13 at 13:21

29 Answers

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Android Studio 3.1.2 File->Settings->Editor->Color Scheme-> In scheme name select Darcula and apply to see a awesome dark background theme editor



edited May 24 '18 at 8:47



Languoguang

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answered May 16 '13 at 6:39



flexdroid

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73 Android Studio -> Preferences -> on this Mac – Oleksiy
May 19 '14 at 15:39

9 How I can reset this theme, I want to get back for white theme
– Mahdi Alkhatib Sep 16 '14 at 4:03

18 To go back to white theme you have to change in
Appearance --> Theme as well. – tmin Feb 20 '15 at 22:20

13 Easy, isn't it?! In Eclipse I had to do unspeakable witchcraft
ceremonies to get a mediocre dark theme. – Josh Apr 22 '15
at 8:47

2 I did this on a mac and the text editor became black but I had
to restart android studio for it to take effect on the menu bar
at the top. – Arthur Garza Jul 21 '16 at 13:43



You can download new themes from <http://color-themes.com/>

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Once you have downloaded the .jar file, go to File -> Import Settings... and choose the file downloaded.



edited Nov 2 '16 at 19:26



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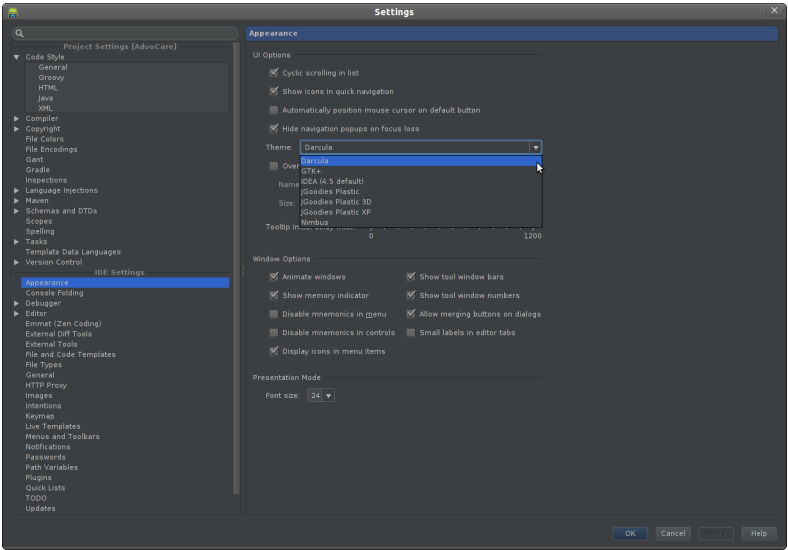
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- 10 Great themes there, much better than Darcula – [matt.writes.code](#) Apr 9 '14 at 19:35
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- 3 Thanks for including the link to the gallery. – [Joshua Pinter](#) May 3 '14 at 15:28
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- 12 After adding new theme you must restart android studio two times to see theme in your Colors and Fonts > Scheme list. (On Android Studio 1.2.2). At least in my case it works. – [Eftekhari](#) Jul 12 '15 at 17:11
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- 5 Looks like the link is now dead – [Shaheen Ghiassy](#) Oct 11 '16 at 5:52
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- 5 Just as a friendly note: The suggested link will provide editor color themes and *not* IDE themes. Editor color themes will only affect the colors of the program code you're writing in the editor tab. The IDE itself, such as buttons, dialogs and windows, will be unaffected by these. – [dbm](#) May 27 '17 at 6:39
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//you need to go to the File-> settings in that choose IDE settings-> Appearance in that choose the Theme: options

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answered May 16 '13 at 14:07



Padma Kumar

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- 3 Why do you have so many themes. I only have one two. – [Bagusflyer](#) May 17 '13 at 16:13
- 5 @bagusflyer dont go to the editor font options. click on Apperance. – [Padma Kumar](#) May 17 '13 at 17:59
- 26 I know where the Apperance is.But I only have two themes to select.You have a lot more. – [Bagusflyer](#) May 19 '13 at 0:01
- 1 @kongkea This is right answer i don't know why you don't selected as right answer – [Milad](#) Jun 12 '15 at 17:04
- 1 You have to understand that people who posted this answer really like to brag. Get use to it. They gonna post code and link without explanation. They are so very good at it. – [Neon Warge](#) Dec 16 '16 at 4:31

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File->Settings->Editor->Colors & Fonts->

Mac OSX

Android Studio -> Preferences->Editor->Colors&Fonts

answered May 18 '13 at 20:23



Triode

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Dayle Reese has an amazing set of [color schemes available](#) for use in both AndroidStudio and IntelliJ. Depending on the IDE you are using, these ICLS files go into a particular directory (*This is for Windows*):

Android Studio

%USERPROFILE%/.AndroidStudio/config/colors

IntelliJ

%USERPROFILE%/.IntelliJIdea/config/colors

Once you've placed the ICLS files in one of the directories above, relaunch the IDE so that it picks up the new themes. There is also a nice page containing a [preview of most/all the themes](#) so you can figure out which ones you like most. Enjoy.

edited Aug 19 '15 at 9:01



Rohit Mandiwal

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Thanks! By the way in my case I had to copy these files to
%USER_HOME%/.AndroidStudioBeta/config/colors – [Mikel](#)
Sep 30 '14 at 8:04

@MichaelLiberman Awh yes, I should have updated this after
beta released. Thank you! – [Lo-Tan](#) Sep 30 '14 at 18:45 ✎

Weird. I have to use %USERPROFILE% as
%USER_HOME% isn't set for me (Windows 8.1) – [Jedidja](#)
Nov 21 '14 at 14:17

16 On Mac this directory is
~/Library/Preferences/AndroidStudio/colors – [nighthawk454](#)
Jan 26 '15 at 20:30

2 I've added the .icls files in
%USERPROFILE%/.AndroidStudio/config/colors and
restarted the IDE. But, I'm not able to see the themes in File-
>Settings->Editor->Colors & Fonts – [Srichakradhar](#) Oct 19 '15
at 10:07



Just a note for people in the future. To add more themes
on a **Mac**, put the theme .icls files in

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~/Library/Preferences/AndroidStudio/colors/



Then restart Android Studio. And select your new themes
in

Android Studio > Preferences > Editor > Colors&Fonts

Android Studio can use any theme that are made for
jetbrains IDE. [Here](#) is a good Github repo that has many
themes for different IDEs.

your theme. Try it, the IDE will look much better.

Windows should have similar setups, just the theme directory will be a bit different, search for JetBrains Ide theme location should give you the result.

answered Feb 26 '15 at 8:50



[Johnson](#)

310 3 9

How can I do the same on Windows? – [Imiguelvargasf](#) Jun 6 '16 at 16:00

In my case this was my location
~/.Library/Preferences/AndroidStudio2.3 and I had to create the "colors" folder because it didn't exist there. So the final path was: ~/.Library/Preferences/AndroidStudio2.3/colors – [Chuy47](#)
Oct 9 '17 at 20:22



If one just need to change (strictly just) the editor's background to your own colour.

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Preferences > Editor > Color & Fonts > General >
Default Text > Background

Although you need to save it as your own theme.

answered Jan 31 '14 at 18:06



[GheloAce](#)

889 1 14 24

1 Thanks! I use Darcula but wanted to change my editor background. This did the trick. – [Tony D](#) Dec 15 '14 at 15:35

This is true answer for changing background – [Eftekhar](#) Jul 12

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at 18:48



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1. Download a color theme you like - <http://www.ideacolorthemes.org/themes/>
2. Import the theme. File -> Import Settings. Navigate to the theme-name.jar. Click the "Ok" button. This will tell you restart your application, at least it did for me, and it automatically selected the theme for my editor.
3. Change the editor's theme color by going to File -> Settings -> Editor -> Colors & Fonts. Select the scheme and click the "Ok" button.

Note that this changes the editor's theme color, not the entire application's theme.

edited Sep 14 '17 at 6:10



Twometer

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answered Sep 1 '15 at 23:07



Derek Kier

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1 File -> File Import Settings – [Petro](#) Mar 5 '16 at 4:17

Thanks for your answer – [SaiKiran](#) May 21 '16 at 13:08

8 think this is a dud site (07/2017)? – [Johnny Rockex](#) Jul 27 '17 at 16:44



Press `Ctrl` + ``` (Back Quote).

Then select "Switch Color Scheme" or press 1.

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Select "Darcula" or press 2

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answered Aug 29 '13 at 14:38



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File->Settings->Appearance

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There's a dropdown box with various themes.



answered May 16 '13 at 5:23



Dmitters

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Yes this is working in Latest Android Studio all of the above are for previous versions :) – [Naveed](#) May 27 '15 at 4:42



Mac OS

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To install new Theme on Mac go to Preferences -> Plugins -> Browse Repositories -> Select Category "UI" and search theme name, I recommend "Material Theme UI" click on the green button "Install" and then restart after installation.



If your theme is .icls format.

1. Right click on finder and select "go to folder"
2. type "~/Library/" to go to hidden library folder
3. find "Preferences"
4. find "AndroidStudio2.x"

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new theme will be installed.

to change themes go to Preferences -> Editor -> Colors & Fonts and then select the scheme.

answered Apr 14 '17 at 6:55



Aamer Shahzad

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Thought I would add this as an answer, for anyone who accidentally mess up like I did!

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It't not really an answer to the original question, but a few other posts refer to this post, so thought I would add it here (cause its slightly relevant to the question). Hope it helps someone!

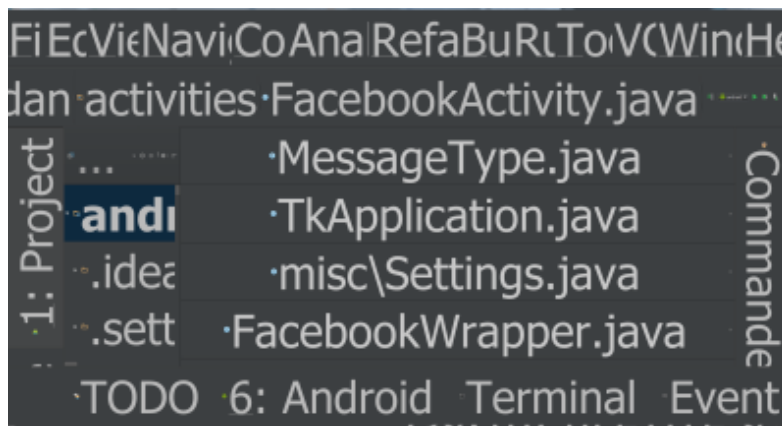


Today I accidentally set my IDE font size on Android Studio very high (was going to set it to 10, but it accidentally became 110).

Now, the big issue for me was that opening the file menu was not possible (well, could open it, but could not get to the settings choice), so I had to figure out how to do it manually.

I found the Android Studio IDE settings in the Users/%username%/.AndroidStudioPreview/config folder and in there, the ui.inf.xml file, in which I could change the option FONT_SIZE back to a more manageable size.

Following image is android studio with 110 px font size on a 1920x1080 screen:



answered Jan 9 '14 at 11:42



Jite

4,862 2 18 31

not a downvoter any shortcut to reset that ! – [Maveň](#) May 15 '15 at 7:03



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On OSX, in the menu bar at the top, click on Android Studio > Preferences > Appearance and you will see a theme drop down.



answered Sep 15 '14 at 14:42



Dwayne Forde

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File->Settings->Appearance & Behavior-> Appearance and In theme select Darcula and apply dark background theme editor.



answered Sep 9 '15 at 8:42

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▲ In 2.3.2 i can change the theme by following

7 View -> Quick Switch Theme -> 6.Look and Feel



answered May 31 '17 at 6:28



[abbas.aniefa](#)

2,503 15 30

Hello i have issue not showing name of class in Left side
Project stucture – [Bipin Bharti](#) Jul 27 '17 at 7:58



You can try this [Making Android Studio pretty](#) to change
the android studio look and feel different.

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answered Jun 15 '16 at 13:26



[santoshpatmca](#)

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Exactly what i was looking for, not just a text color scheme but
an IDE theme, very nice awnser :) – [Francois](#) Jun 23 '16 at
11:33



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- Go to File > Settings,
- now under IDE settings click on appearance and select the theme of your choice from the dropdown.
- you can also install themes , they are the jar files by
- File > Import Settings , select the file or your choice

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open up click yes and studio will restart and your theme will be applied.

edited Nov 28 '18 at 14:23



Agilanbu

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answered May 24 '15 at 7:49



Ravi Rawal

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Simple. Just hit `CTRL` + `alt` + `s` - appearance & behavior - appearance - Theme - (Darcula)

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edited Jan 30 '16 at 13:15



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answered Jan 30 '16 at 12:45



Koech

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Switch theme:

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Windows:



File->Settings->Appearance & behavior->Appearance.

Select the "theme" dropdown, and change between whatever themes you have installed. It shows the default themes and any you have installed in the form of plugins.

As plugin from plugins.jetbrains.com

Windows:

File-> Settings -> plugins -> install JetBrains plugin/browse repositories/install plugin from disk

The last part has three different options. The first has a few amount of plugins, and looks like only the official plugins. Browse repositories have much more plugins, and seems to be like going to the plugin page. This is a shorter way than going to the IntelliJ plugin page and downloading the plugins manually. If you download, click install plugin from disk. This allows you to drag and drop, or find .jar files.

External websites

These are installed slightly differently. Find any theme you like from websites such as [this one](#).

Go to

File->File import settings

These are not plugins, and as such have to be installed in a different manner.

answered Apr 14 '17 at 17:29



Zoe

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On Windows: File-> Settings-> Appearance&Behavior-> Appearance: Change "**Theme field**".

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answered Jul 4 '15 at 8:21

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▲ File - Settings - Appearance & Behavior - Appearance -
3 CHOOSE Darcula in "Theme" - Press Apply.

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or



Choose File - Settings - Editor - Colors & Fonts - Then
SELECT Darcula in scheme name - Press Apply - restart
Studio (sometimes not all elements implement theme)

answered Sep 5 '16 at 9:28

[Morozov](#)

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You can use `CTRL` + `SHIFT` + `A` and then simply type
3 `theme` to go directly to the theme settings. Same goes for
pretty much any setting, refactoring or action you're
looking for.



edited Dec 13 '18 at 11:51

[Agilanbu](#)

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answered Sep 3 '13 at 15:25

[Kevin Coulombe](#)

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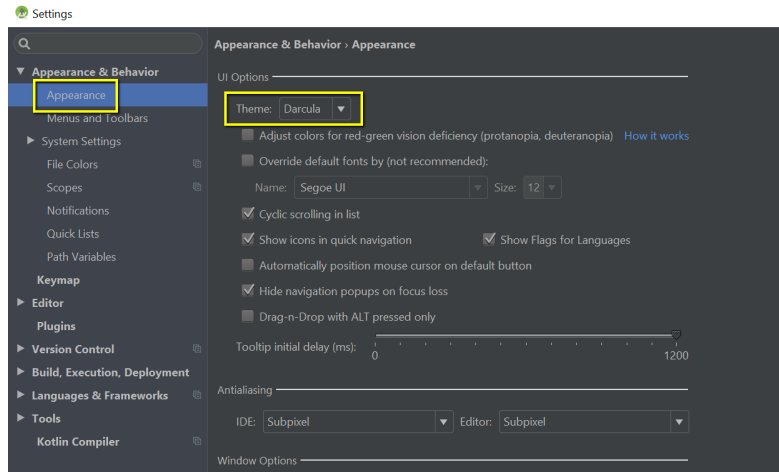
For easy reference in Android Studio 3.0.

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Click **File > Settings > Appearance & Behaviors >
Apperance**



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answered Oct 26 '17 at 5:44



[Marvin Glenn Lacuna](#)

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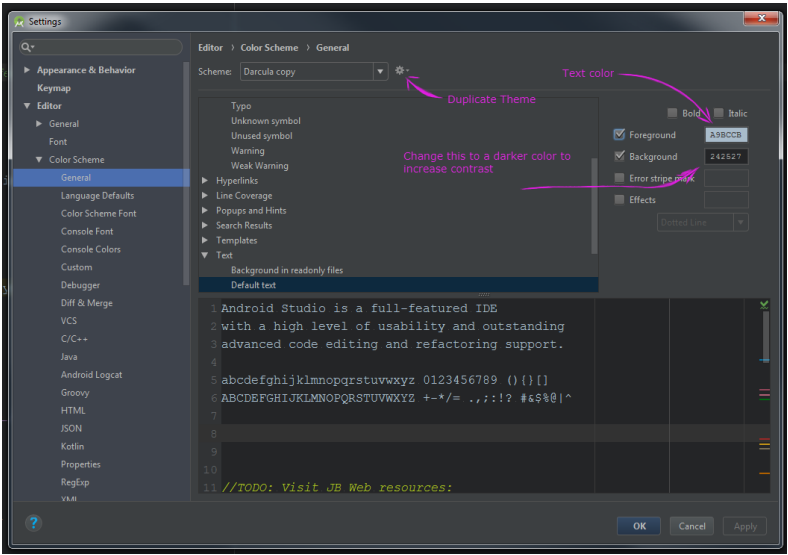


You can **change or import a theme** by using the icon that the "Duplicate Theme" arrow is pointing to in the photo.

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Every one sees color differently. Most times a small change in contrast is all you need. **Removing the hase from Dracula** by changing the *Background color* to 242527 was perfect for me.



edited Aug 18 '18 at 16:28

answered Aug 18 '18 at 16:18



Jeffrey

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- On Windows 7 - 64Bit File->Settings->Editor->Colors&Fonts-> Use the dropdown box: "Scheme name" and select Darcula.

answered Jun 13 '13 at 12:53



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- I've found interesting themes from

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answered Aug 25 '16 at 8:47



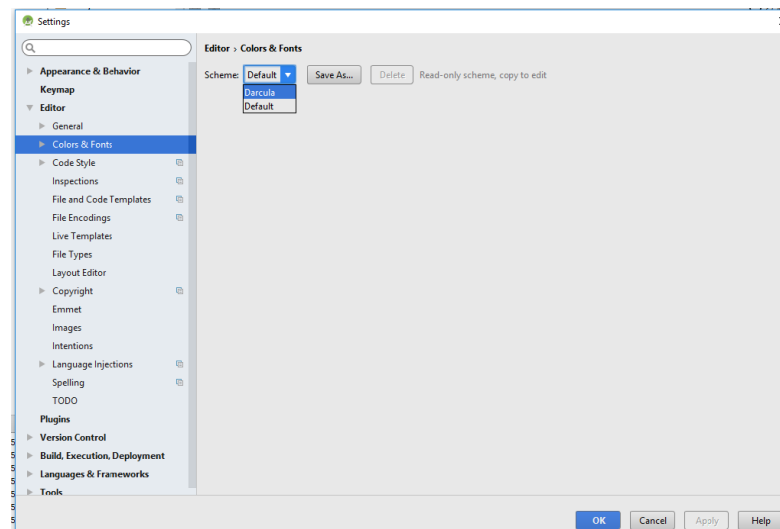
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I am using android studio 2.2.3 and I am able to change theme by following steps

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1. go to **File > Setting** it open an window like attach image
2. then **Editor > Colors & Fonts**
3. Select theme from **Scheme** dropdownlist
4. now select **Ok**



answered Feb 26 '17 at 12:34



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1. Go to File -> Settings -> Appearance&Behaviour -> Appearance
2. Change the theme to whatever you like.
3. Then restart the android studio.

answered Apr 22 '17 at 13:47

[Saurabh Singh](#)

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In mac Android Studio > Preferences > Editor > Color Scheme -> Color Scheme Font. Change Scheme to Dracula

answered May 14 '18 at 4:47

[Rocky](#)

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