Understanding Material Design



Sriyank Siddhartha AUTHOR Iinkedin.com/in/sriyank



Material Design Features



Material Design Themes

Lists and Cards - RecyclerView and CardView

Views and Shadows

- Elevation
- Clipping Views

Animation

- Touch Feedback
- Circular Reveal
- Activity Transitions



API 21 Specific Features



Features available only in Android 5.0 and above

- Activity Transitions
- Touch Feedback
- Circular Reveal Animations
- Path-based Animations
- Vector Drawables
- Drawable Tinting



Demo



Apply Theme to your application



Applying Theme

Default Material Themes

Material theme (API 21+)

android:style/Theme.Material (dark version)

android:style/Theme.Material.Light (light version)

android:style/Theme.Material.Light.DarkActionBar

android:style/Theme.Material.NoActionBar (No Action Bar)

Themes with Backward Compatibility

AppCompat (API 7+)

Theme.AppCompat

Theme.AppCompat.Light

Theme.AppCompat.Light.DarkActionBar

Theme. App Compat. No Action Bar



Maintaining Compatibility by XML

For MinSDKVersion >= 21

Resource Directory →

drawable (For API 21 and above)

values (For API 21 and above)

layout (For API 21 and above)

Backward Compatibility: MinSDKVersion < 21

Resource Directory →

drawable (For below API 21)

drawable-v21 (For API 21 and above)

values (For below API 21)

values-v21 (For API 21 and above)

layout and layout-v21



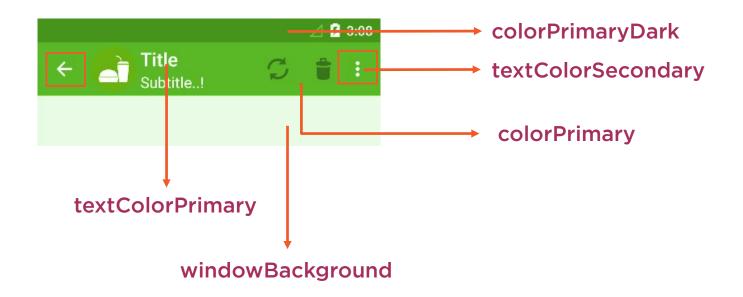
```
// Check if we're running on Android 5.0 or higher
if (Build.VERSION.SDK_INT >= Build.VERSION_CODES.LOLLIPOP)
{
    // Call some material design APIs here
} else { // For Below API 21
    // Implement this feature without material design
}
```

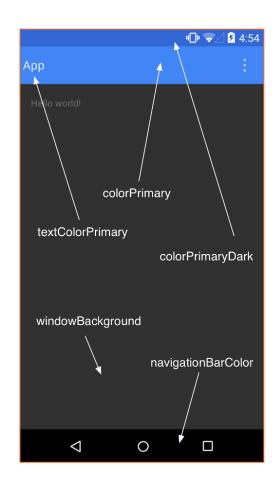
Maintaining Compatibility by Java

A Snippet to maintain compatibility of Material Design Features in Java code



Color Palette

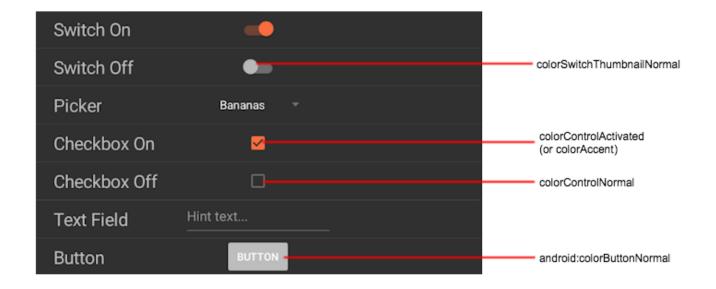






Color Palette







Demo



Color Palette

