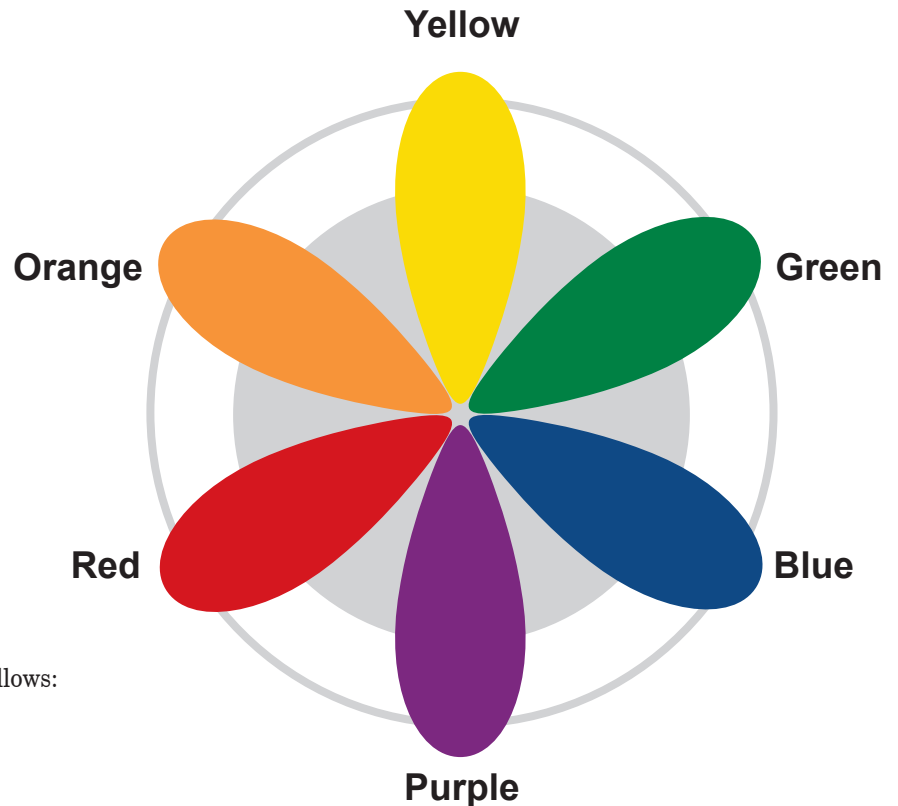




BEHLEN COLOR MIXING INSTRUCTIONS

Several Behlen products come in many colors that can be intermixed to develop custom matches. Knowledge of a few fundamentals is necessary to obtain satisfactory results in color mixing and matching. The following information will be a help to those not familiar with color mixing.

- Orange is made by mixing Yellow and Red.
- Green is made by mixing Yellow and Blue.
- Purple is made by mixing Blue and Red.
- Red and Yellow with a little Black makes Brown.
- Red and Green make Brown.
- White added to Black will make Gray.
- Gray added to Yellow will make Citron.
- Gray added to Red will make Russet.
- Gray added to Blue will make Olive.
- Orchid is an addition of White and Violet.
- Pink or Flesh is a weakening of Red and White.
- Light Tints of all colors can be had by adding White.
- Dark Shades of all colors are made by adding Brown or Black.



It is also helpful to know the pairing of the complimentary colors. A simple list is as follows:



Each complimentary (or opposite) will gray or neutralize its partner. Thus, the complimentary color reduces the effect of its opposite in a color mixture. For example, if a person has a red-brown color that is too red he/she can add a small amount of green (yellow and blue) to neutralize some of the red, and the resultant color will be a brown with less of a red tint

It is wise to add a small amount of complimentary color while using this technique since it's easy to add more but impossible to remove any color. One should also be aware that alternating multiple times between compliments to get just the right tint will sooner or later result in a color with too much gray to be vibrant or sometimes, even controllable at all.