

TYPES OF CERAMIC PIGMENTS

COLOR	BASE	PROPERTIES
YELLOW	Tin-Vanadium Praseodymium-Zircon Vanadium-Zirconium Lead-Antimony Cadmium Tin-Antinomy-Nickel	 High-temperature-stable pigments sensitive to reducing kiln conditions. Clean and bright yellow pigment appears to have less red value compared to other yellow pigments. High temperature stability and less sensitive to glaze composition. Orange pigment, not to be used in high lead or boron glazes. Over-grinding will cause loss of intensity and glaze defects. Develops a deep yellow-orange color in high-lead glazes. The pigment is stable only to a maximum temperature of 2100°F Cadmium sulfide yellow and cadmium sulphoselenide orange belongs to this group. Mainly used in glass and porcelain enamel ware. Light yellow pigment for low-temperature products (glass and enamels)
BLUE	Vanadium-Zirconium Cobalt	 Famous turquoise blue pigment with high chemical and temperature stability. This group contains pigments based on Co-Si, Co-Zn, and Co-Al. These pigments can be used in all applications
GREEN	Chrome Chrome-Cobalt	 Chrome-silica is known as Victoria Green. Application is restricted only in non-opaque transparent glazes. Yields clear green to blue-green shaded colors. Strongly recommended for body stains.
BROWN	Chrome-Iron-Zinc Chrome-Iron-Zinc-Alumina Chrome-Antimony Chome-Wolfram Titanium-Chrome-Wolfram	 Provide color shades ranging from light tan to deep red brown. The addition of tin oxide improves the stability of the pigment. Excess grinding should be avoided as it changes the color from red to yellow-brown. Light to dark brown color used as body stains and in porcelain enamels. Not reccomended for use as a glaze stain. Light brown pigment used in the porcelain enamel industry.
RED AND PINK	Chrome-Tin Iron-Zircon Manganese-Alumina Chrome-Alumina Cadmium-Zircon	 Suitable for glazes rich in calcium. Small addition of tin oxide is recommended to improve the stability. Color shades from pink to burgundy can be obtained. Suitable for glazes containing zircon. Low zinc content is advisable. Not suitable as glaze stain due to the refractory property of the pigment. Used to color bodies. Used only in low-temperature glazes. The glaze should be free from calcium and high in zinc. Encapsulated cadmium pigments. High stability.
VIOLET	Chrome-Tin Cobalt-Borate	 Same family as the Cr-Sn pink, but used in glazes low in calcium. Low-temperature violet pigment.
GRAY	Tin Titanium-Antimony Zircon	 Stable gray pigment with a light blue shade. Gray pigment used in the porcelain enamel industry. Used in opque glazes with low zinc content.
BLACK	Cobalt-Nickel Chrome-Copper	 Stable spinel structure. Recommended for all glaze types. Suitable for glass and porcelain enamel ware. Not recommended as a glaze pigment.