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HP Vis ID

March 2022

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Our journey

Part 1

Discovery phase

Competitor audit

HP audit

Defined issues & vision/mission/beliefs

Development phase

Explored design routes

Determined Vis ID

Part 1

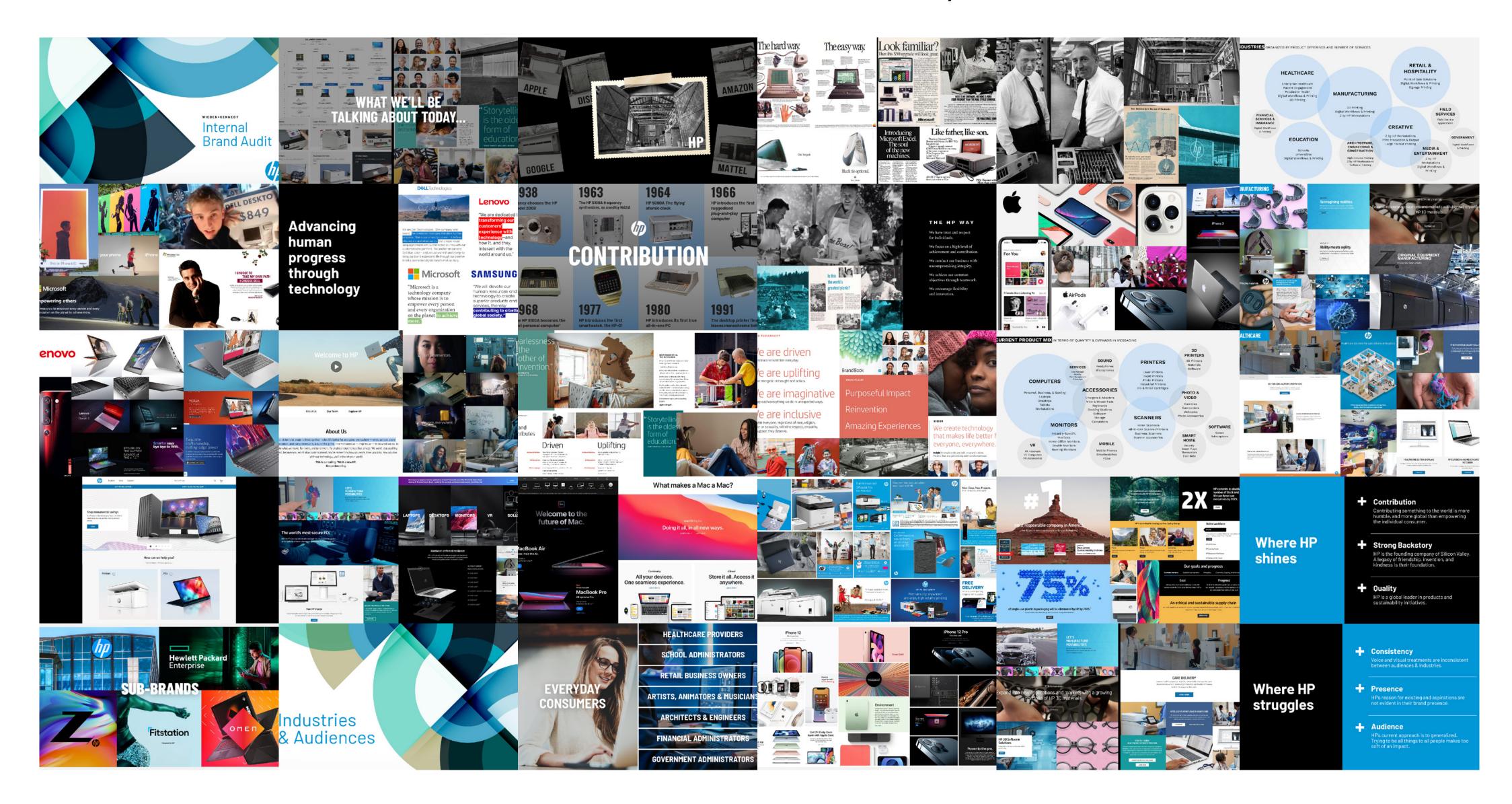
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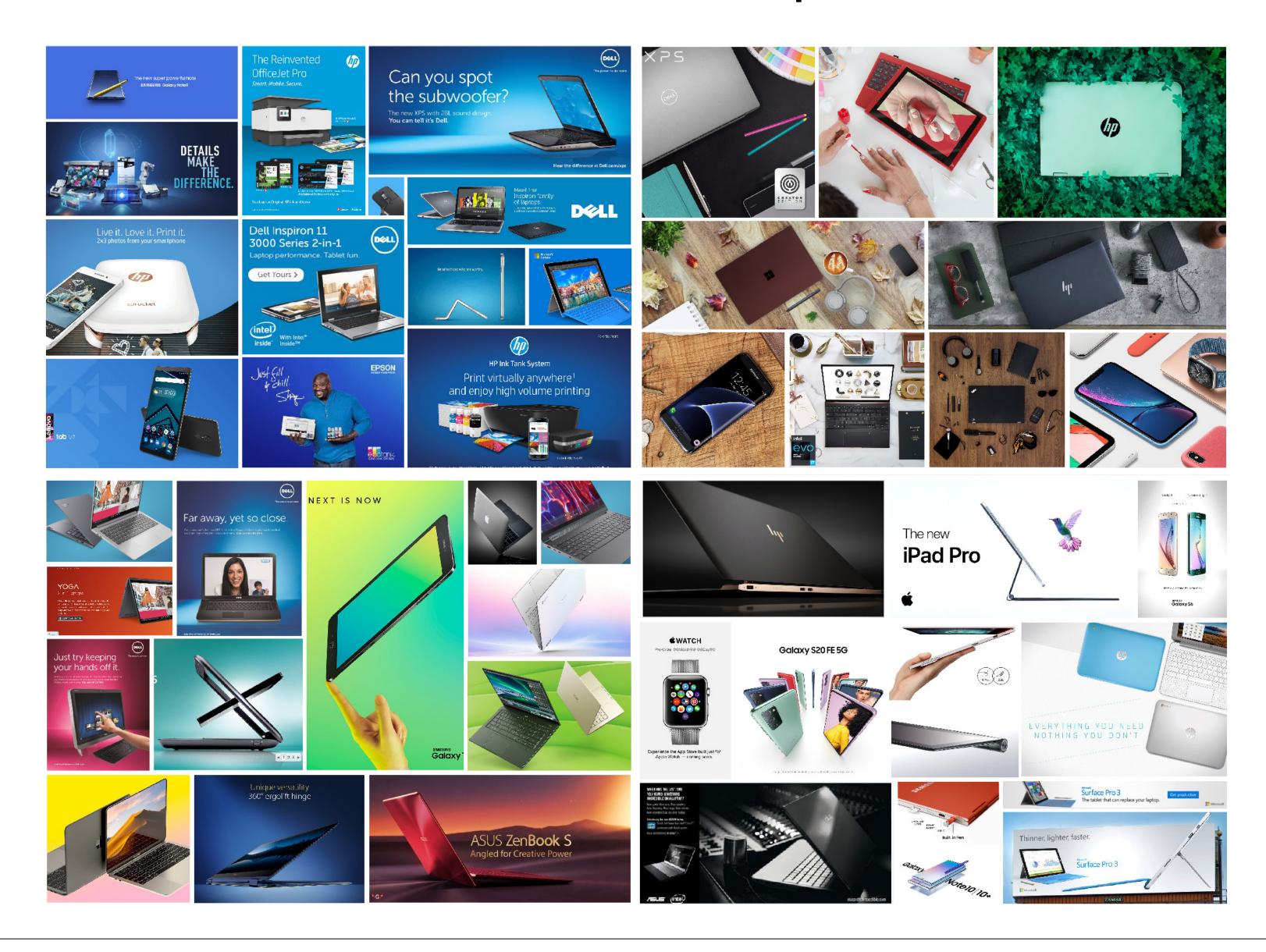


The Vis ID discovery phase was born out of a look around...

a look at ourselves,

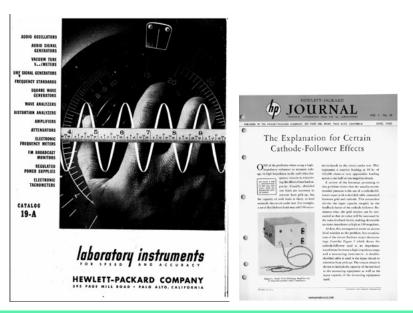


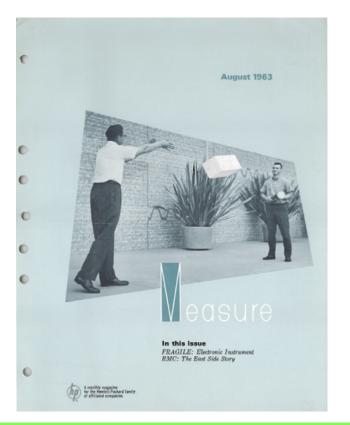
and a look at our competitors.



It's fundamentally rooted in our history,

BENCH BRIFTS

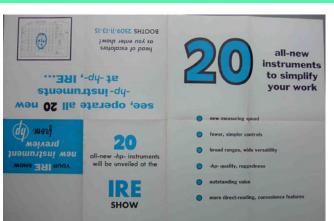








1950s





1960s





1980s





1990s



and built around our Vision, Mission & Belief.

Mision

A world where innovation drives extraordinary contributions to humanity.

Mission

Create technology that inspires ambitious and meaningful progress.

Belief

One thoughtful idea has the power to change the world.

Part 1

Development phase

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Part 02

The visual identity

Vis ID assets overview

Photography People & products





Type Forma DJR

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LinesBlack or white

Colors

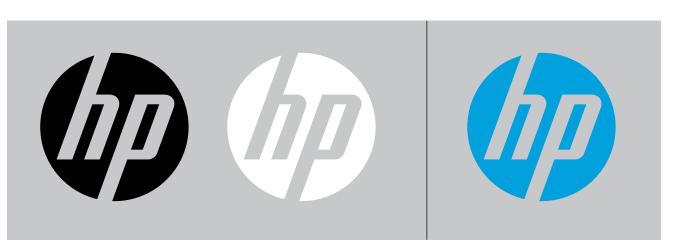
Base colors are 100% saturation; additional colors are made from stepped tints of the original

Reduced but dynamic color system

HP standard cream (text background color)

HP standard gray (photo background color)

Logo Black or White and HP Blue



Detail shown in 10% increments

100%
90%
80%
70%
60%
50%
40%
30%
20%

Layout Putting it all togg

Putting it all together

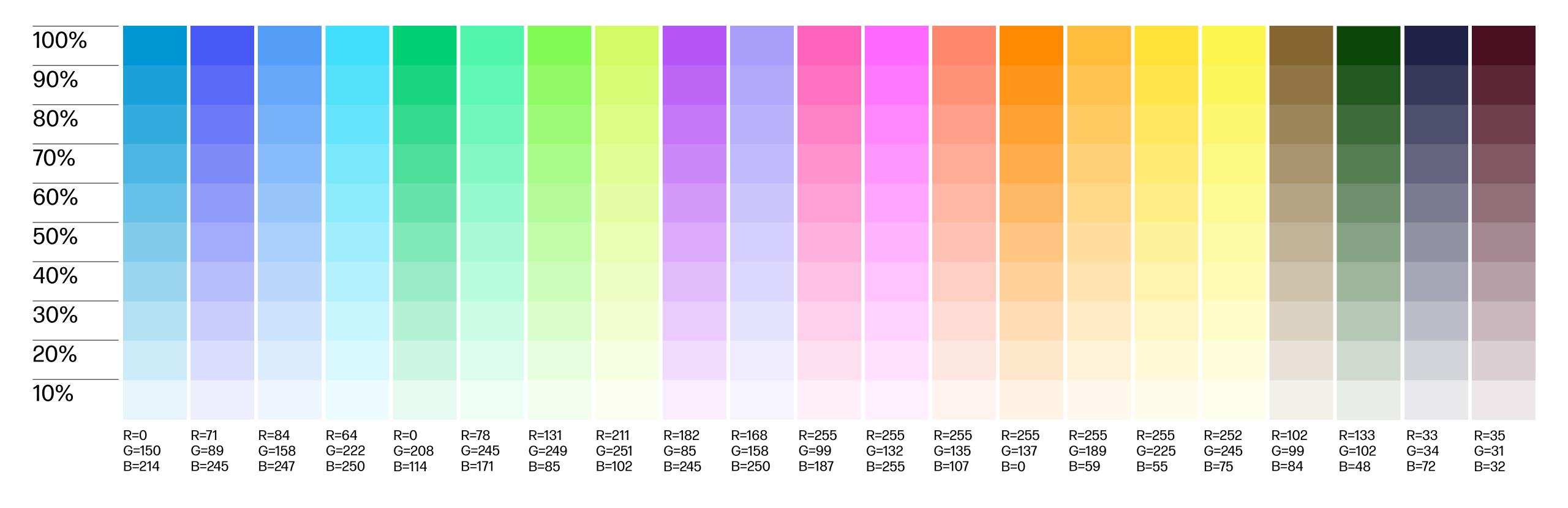








New HP color palette



HP standard cream (text background color)	HP standard gray (photo background color)	Warning red (used for annotating)	Black (used for text & lines)
R=242 G=235 B=220	R=230 G=230 B=230	R=255 G=57 B=0	R=0 G=0 B=0

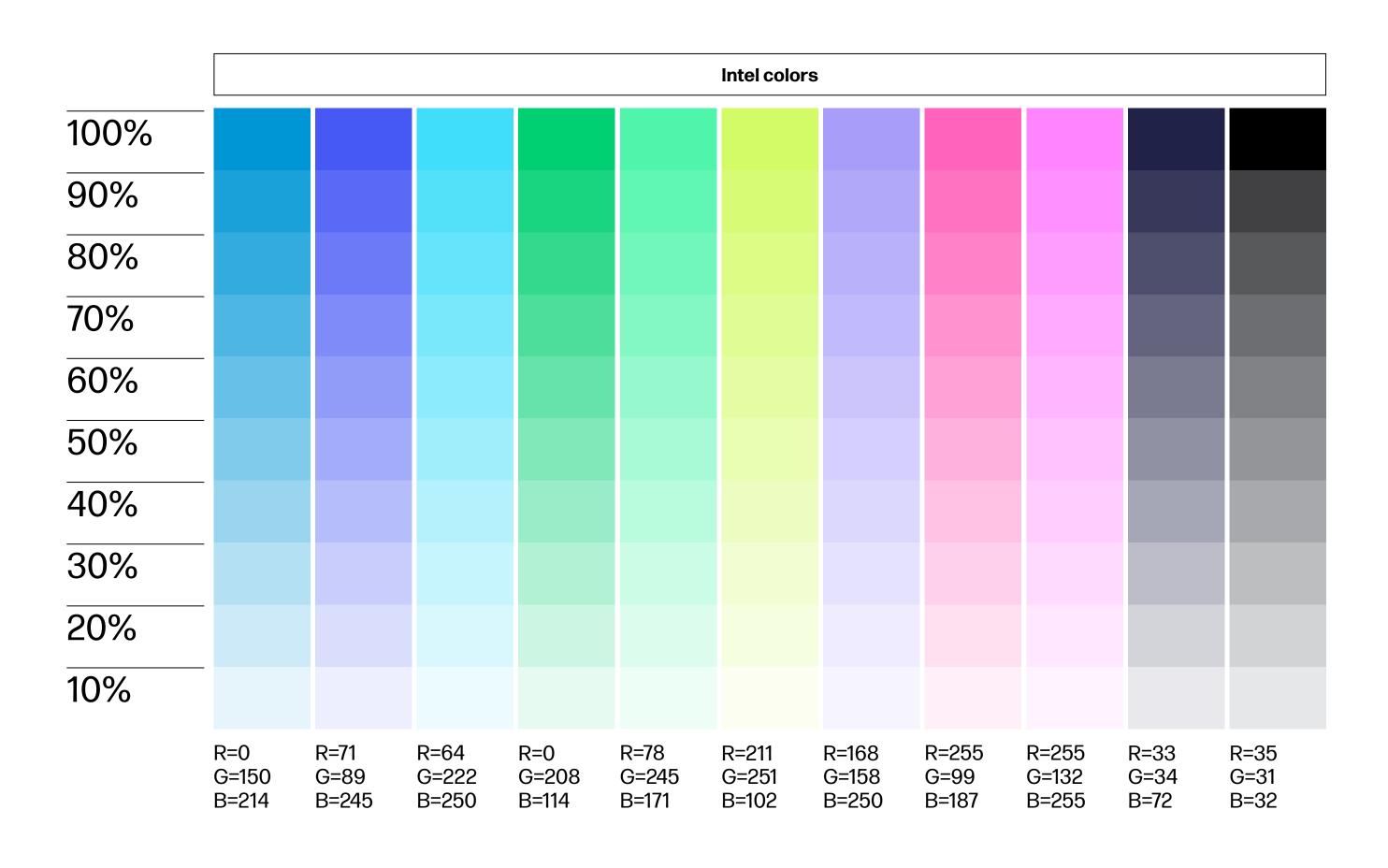
Intel confusingly similar color guidelines

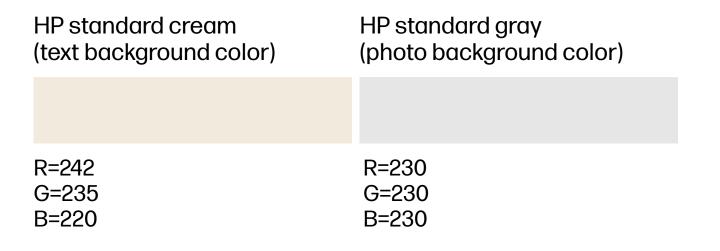
Intel x HP color guidelines

When creating Intel assets you'll have to abide by Intel's confusingly similar guidelines. Within those guidelines they categorize colors as approved 'Intel' colors vs. their 'universal' colors. We've reviewed all of their colors and determined the ones that can be used within the Vis ID for each.

Intel colors

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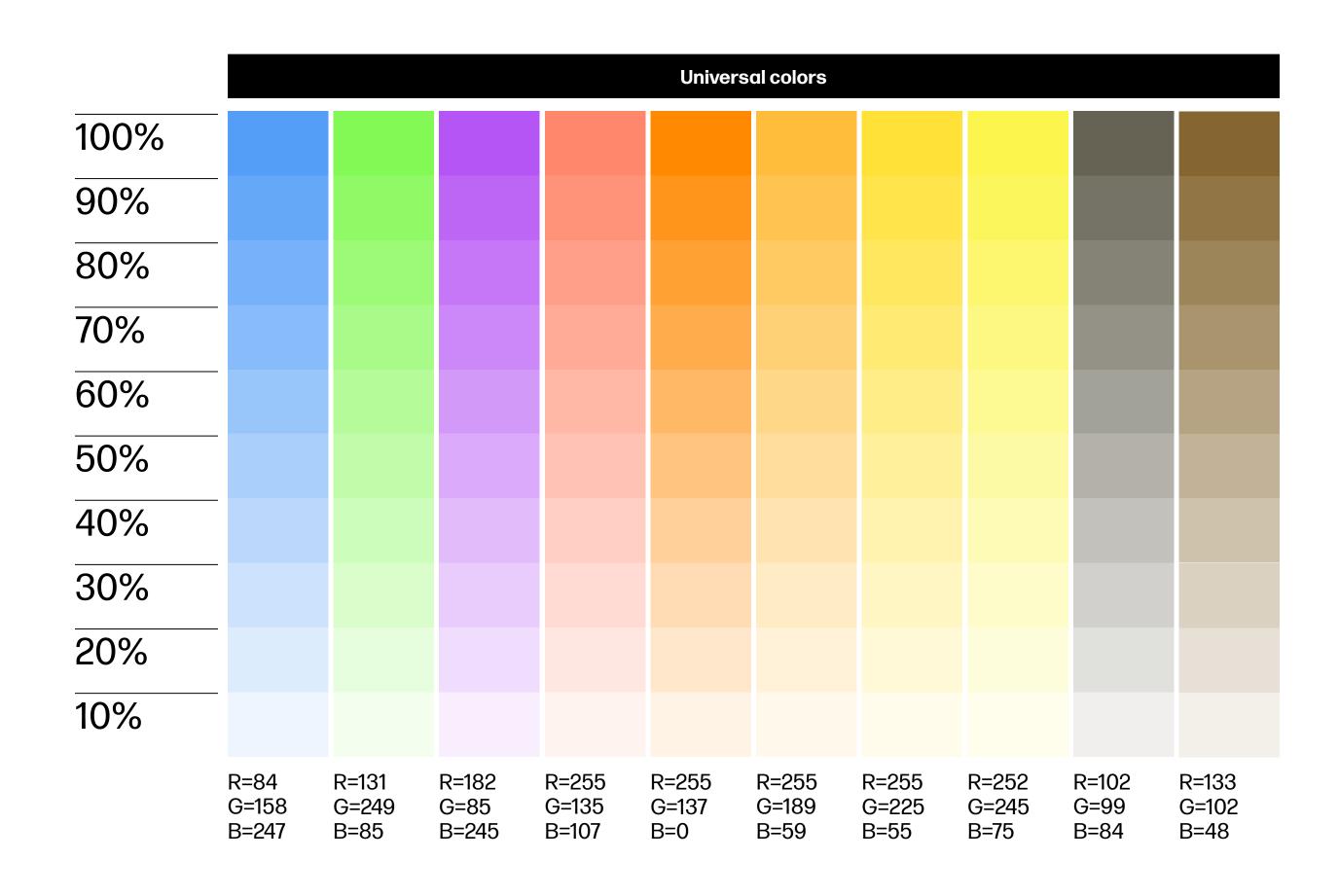
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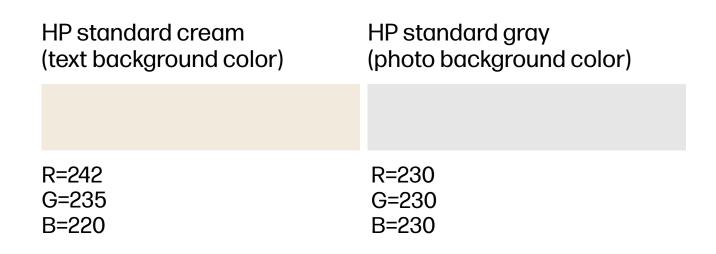
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Universal colors

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HP color system

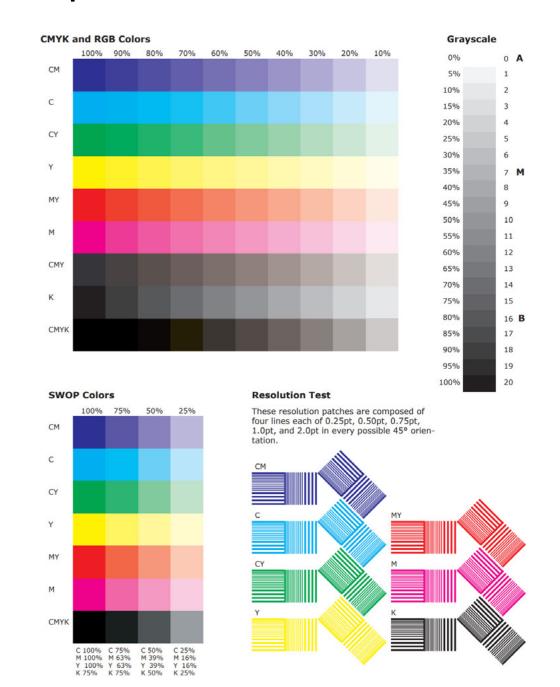
Inspiration

Color steps were inspired by a printer test sheet

How it works

- 1. Select one color to use (no mixing multiple colors)
- 2. Use color step/tint to make stacks or use your selected color at full bleed

Inspiration



Color system applied



Single color

One color



Color stacking

Color tints



(no separator line)

5 tints (no separator line)

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Color executions

- Single color
- Color steps
- Color with cream or gray
- Neutral (all gray)

Design matrix

- The matrix is a tool designed to guide the selection of the best basic layout option for different assets and deliverables.
- The matrix showcases all the basic layout options in different layout proportions, color applications, and photo options.

Color executions

1. Single color 100% 2. Sequence 4 tints



captured, effortlessly.



Every visual perfect! With every moment captured, effortlessly.

These microplastics settle onto seafloors or are

OPERATING SYSTEM: PROCESSOR & GRAPHICS:	Windows 10 Home in S Model Intel UHD Graph
MEMORY:	16GB DDR4-3200
STORAGE:	1TB eMMC

3. Color + natural

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Once plastic reaches the ocean, it is incredibly These microplastics settle onto seafloors or are ingested by animals, causing a host of health and ecosystem problems

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4. Neutral gray

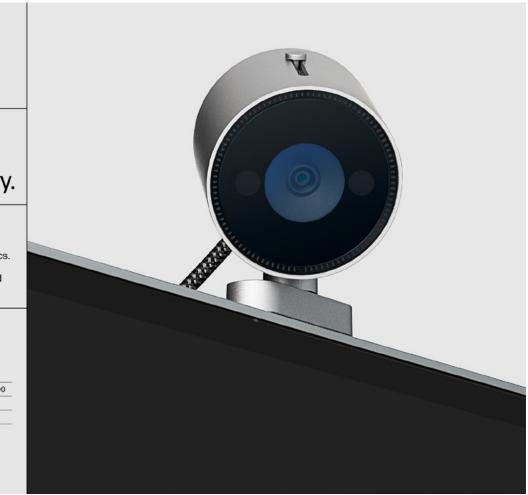
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People



Color executions applied across layouts

Product





































1 color +

natural

Product on neutral

1 color

























Neutral color

In the new Vis ID, the neutral cream and gray can be used to create balance and problem-solve.

Neutrals can be used in layout when...

- 1. You want to create a layout with no color
- 2. Attempting to create a feeling of sameness
- 3. Multiple colors have made the layout confusing

Product photography

For product photography, always use the HP standard gray background. Products cannot be placed on color backgrounds or gradients.

Neutral layout examples



Color and neutral comparison



Type inspiration

The type used in HP's Measure magazine inspired our new type choice.

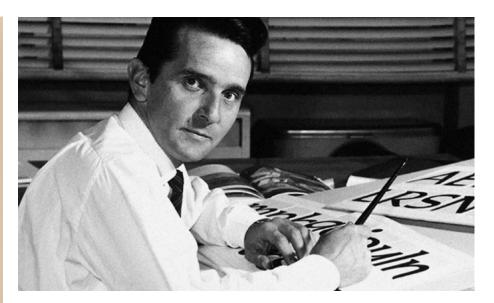
Forma DJR is the new font. It has a modern but still human approach.







*ABCDEFGHIJKLMNO PORSTUVWXYZ& abcdefghijklmnopqrst uvwxyz.,;;'-!?«»()1234 567890 GRa











Type used on HP's Measure magazine share qualities of Forma DJR, like the lowercase "a".

New font

Forma DJR in Display and Micro is the sole font that should be used in all places where HP shows up.

Forma DJR

DISPICIY

Style 1 Big type (40pt+)

Regular weight
Used for heading

Black or white

Major difference

Has tighter spacing; does not look good or read well when small.

Micro

Style 2 Small type (-40pt)

Regular weight

Used for body copy, subtitles &information

Black or white

Major difference

Has more open letter spacing and is better for smaller type.

Type

- 1. One font: Forma DJR
- 2. Two styles: Display & Micro
- 3. One weight: regular
- 4. Two colors: black or white
- 5. Capitalization style: sentence case

Important notes

All Forma DJR Display layout

Has tighter spacing; does not look good or read well when small. Has a classic look of "tight but not touching."

Testing

A layout used in this weight only

To see the difference between spacing and feel between the two styles

The major difference is that Display has tighter spacing, and does not look good or read well when small. It has a classic look of "tight but not touching." Another way to distinguish between Display and Micro, is that Micro has more open letter spacing and is better suited for smaller type and longer paragraphs. This example is to show how a layout would look if it was only set in Display, or if it was only set in Micro. To get the optimal readability and best experience for the audience, it is important that Display weight is only used for headlines while Micro is used consistently for subheads, body copy, subtitles, and information.

Heading (large type)

Subheading (medium/large type)

Subheading (medium/small type)

Copy(medium/small type)

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Leading (big type)
Forma DJR Display 80-100% type size

See and be seen

Leading (small/medium type)
Forma DJR Micro 100-140% type size

Every visual perfect!

With remote video conferencing on the rise, it's more important than ever to have a webcam to interact face-to-face with clients and customers.

This monitor with built-in webcam combines convenience and safety—ease of use meets ease of mind.

Tracking

No special requirement. Track for type under 12pts when necessary.

Forma DJR has a fascinating story that emulates HP's own. It conveys engineering and universality with the touch of humanity and expression.



Headline style
Sentence case



Subhead style
Sentence case

Create without limits.
Experience security with unmatched performance.

Long battery life will get you through a day of meetings. HP Fast Charge battery will get up to 50% battery life in just 30 minutes of charging. When things go wrong, HP Sure Recover with Embedded Reimaging helps you recover anytime, anywhere, without a network connection.

Alignment
Always left justified

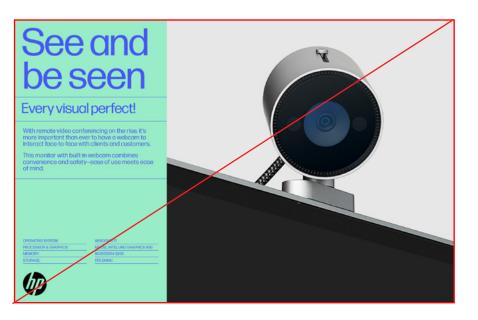


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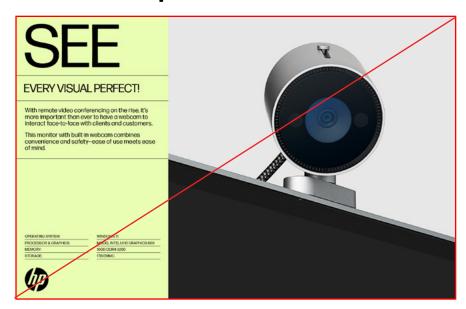
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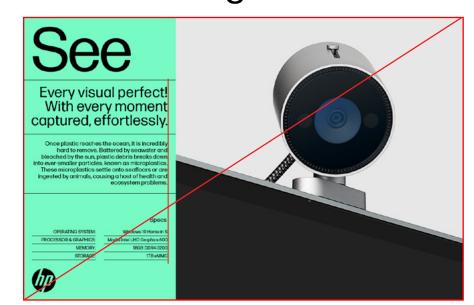
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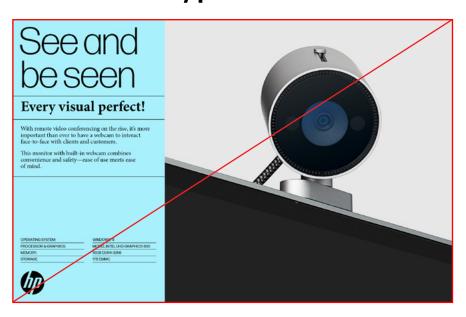
No all caps



No mixed alignments



No other typefaces



No other styles



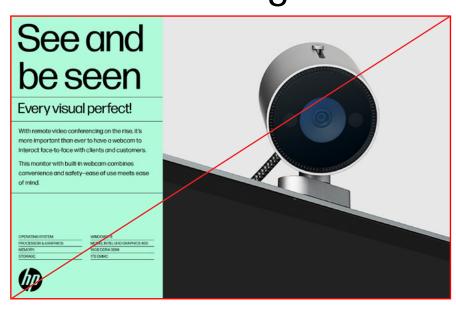
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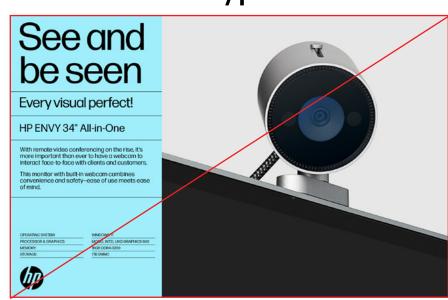
No tight leading



No loose leading



No > than 4 type sizes

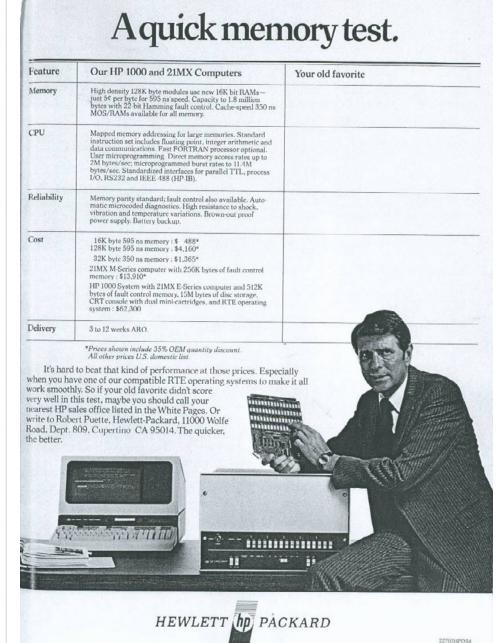


Lines inspiration

Historically HP used lines to separate content and organize a ton of necessary information.

We wanted to lean into this in a modern way.









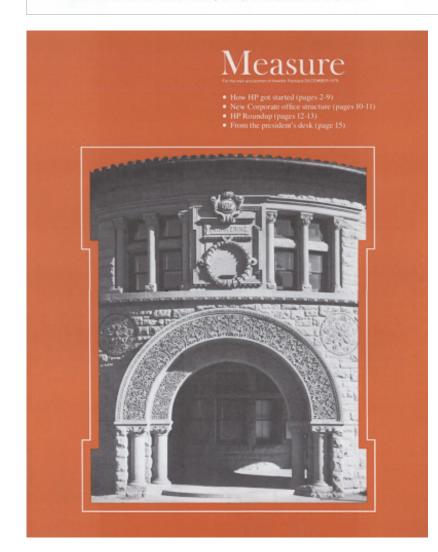


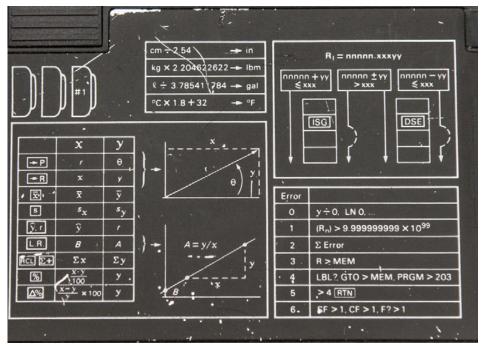
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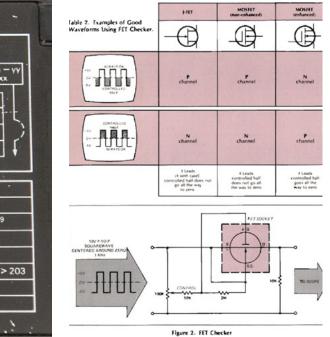
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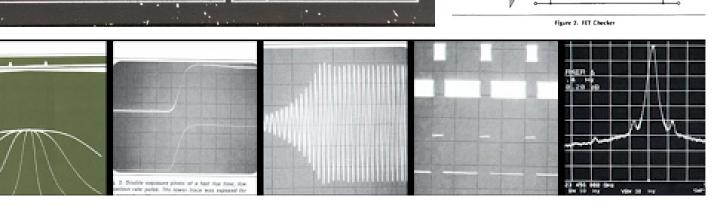
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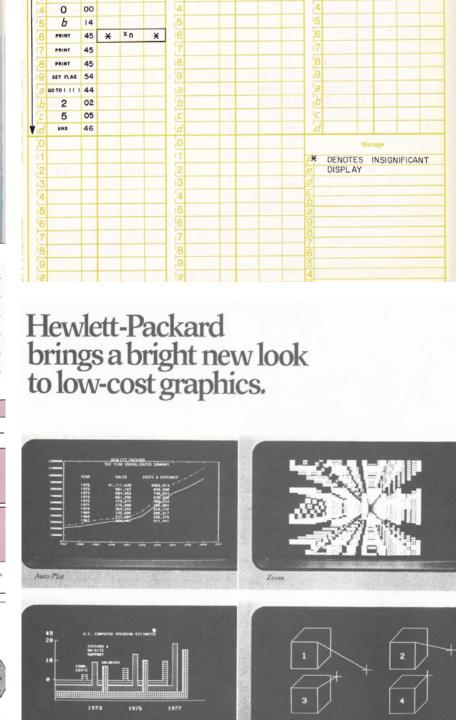
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Lines

Within the new Vis ID we use lines to organize content or provide structure.

We also use lines to emphasize an important headline or statement.

Important notes

Lines as separators Create sections/modules





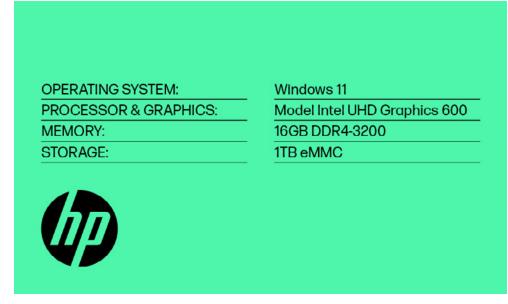
Lines and lists Structure headlines, quotes, and lists



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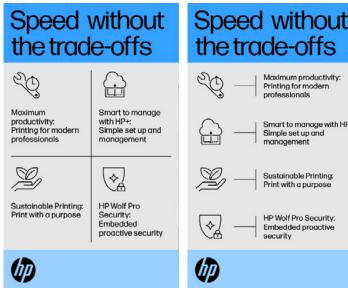
A more thoughtful font.

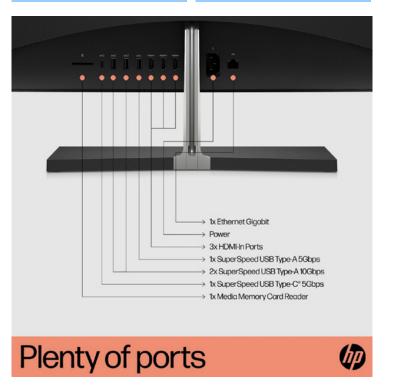




Lines and annotations Organize content





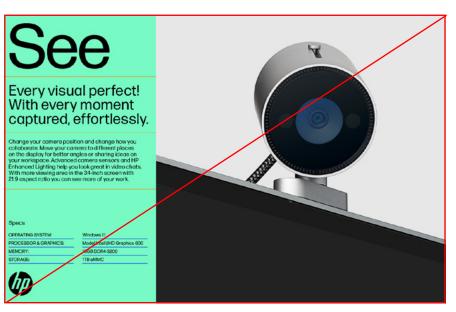


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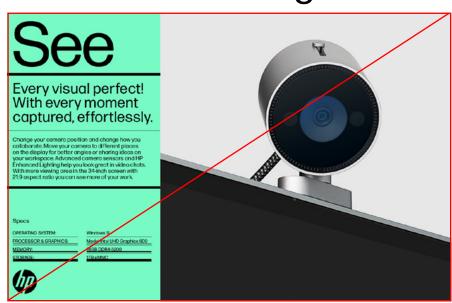
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- 2. One weight
- 3. Two angles: 0 or 90

Important notes

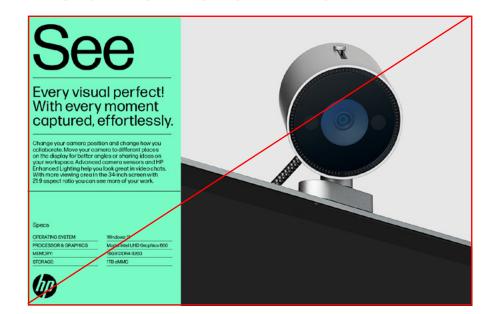
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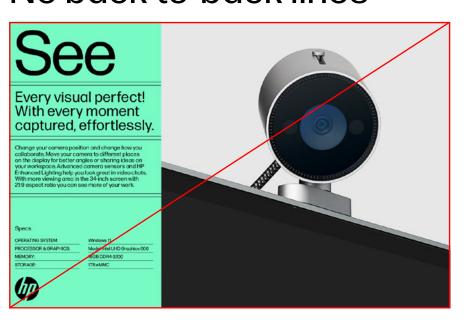
No mixed line weights



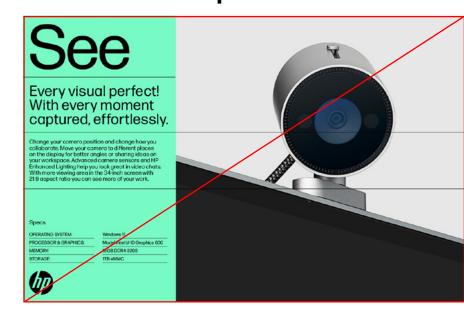
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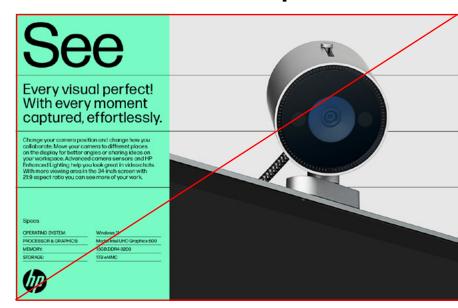
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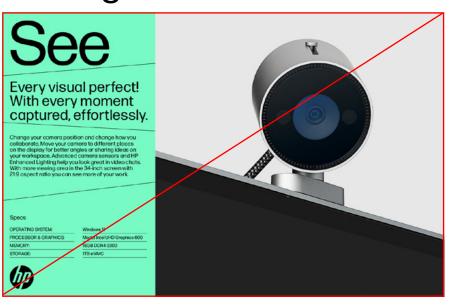
No lines on photos



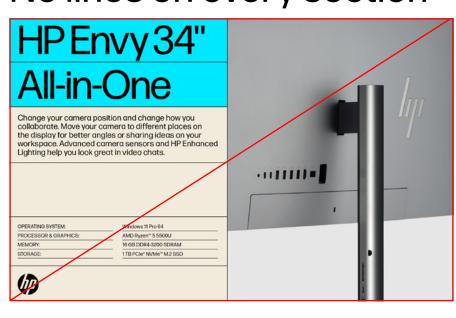
No lines behind photos



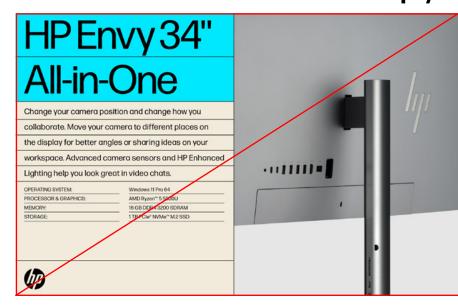
No angled lines



No lines on every section



No lines between all copy

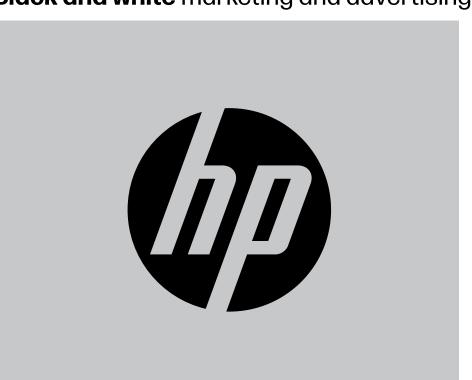


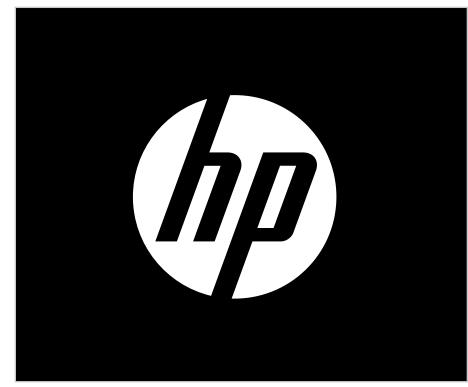
We use the black and white logo in all external marketing/communication work. The blue logo is reserved for corporate communications.

Important notes

Colors

Black and white marketing and advertising





Contrast choose the value (black or white) that gives the logo contrast

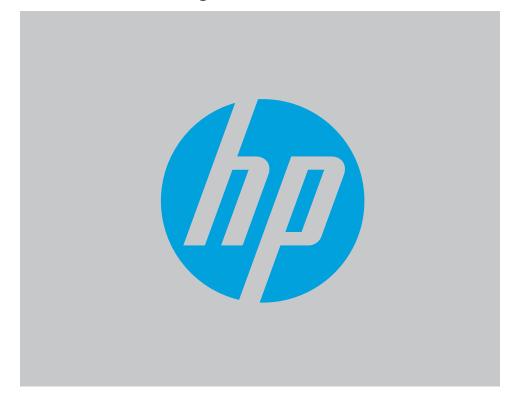








Blue-HP for singular instances





The logo acts as the punctuation mark of a layout.

- 1. Color: black or white (should be same color as type)
- 2. Placement: always in a corner following the end of all content
- 3. Clear space: same as layout margin and equal on all four sides
- 4. Size: not first or last in basic layout hierarchy—6-18% layout height—neither yelling nor whispering. (Logo can be more dominant in logo-primary layouts.)

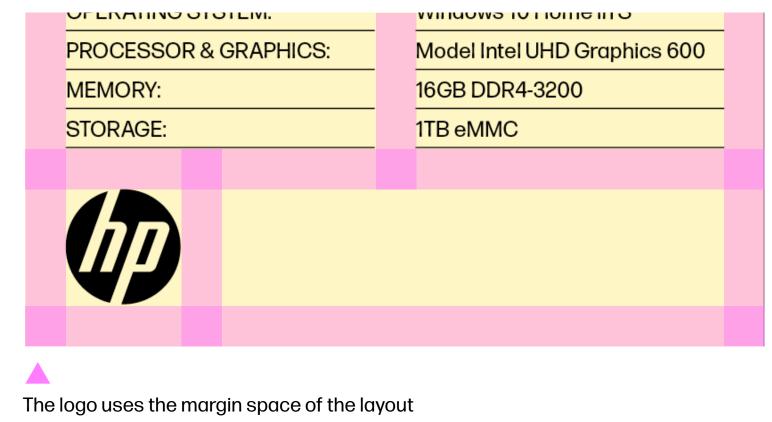
Important notes

Placement Vertical layout



Clear space

Vertical layout detail

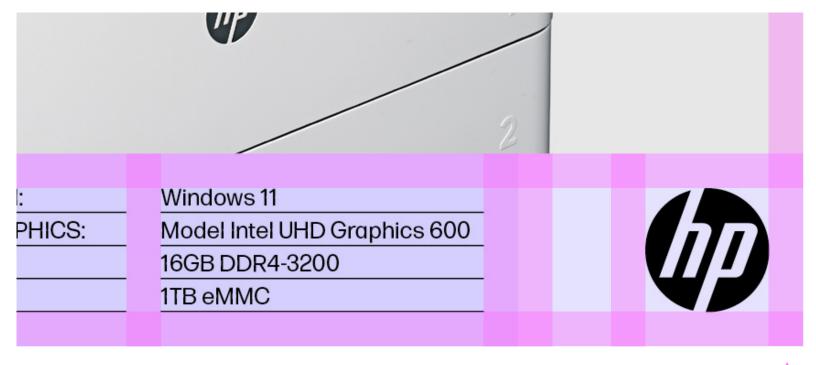


Placement Horizontal layout



Clear space

Horizontal layout detail



The logo uses the margin space of the layout

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Important notes

Size (vertical basic layouts)

Too small (logo 3% layout height)



Good (logo 7% layout height)

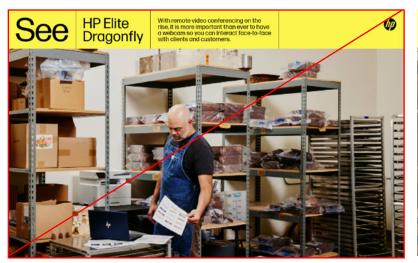


Too large (logo 20% layout height)



Size (horizontal basic layouts)

Too small (logo 5% layout height)



Good (logo 10% layout height)



Good (logo 9% layout height)



Too large (logo 20% layout height)



The HP logo can happily live with partner logos.

Partner logo guidance

- 1. HP is always first i.e. to the left in horizontal and above in a stack
- 2. It's always written "HP with [partner]"
- 3. Partner logo should not appear larger than HP logo
- 4. And if multiple partners are needed, use "HP with [partner | partner | partner]" i.e. just one 'with' and '|' to separate each partner

All jumpstart and CCF guidelines must be adhered to.

Important notes

Partner logo placement HP logo before partner logo









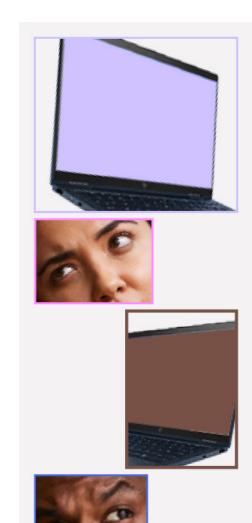
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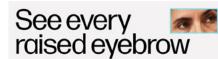
Web banners



















People photography

People photography

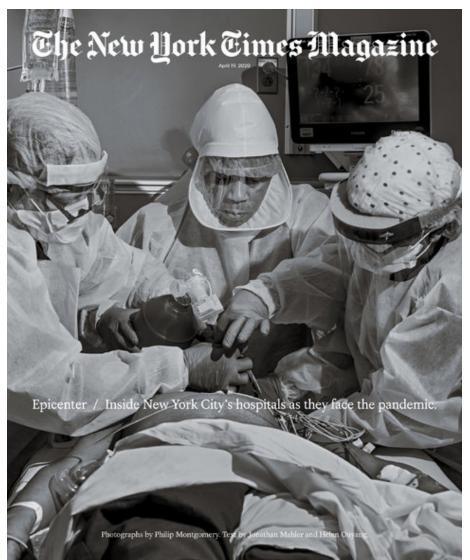
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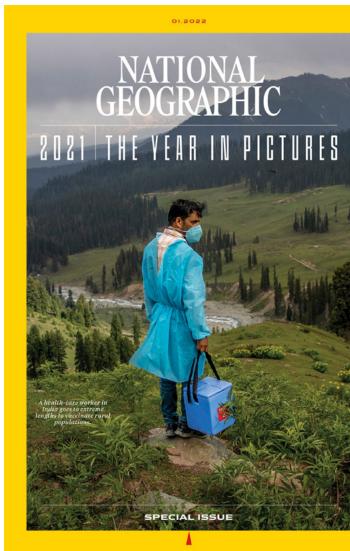
When looking for inspiration, look to sources from the following:

Publications

- New York Times
- National Geographic
- WIRED
- Apartamento
- Time
- VICE
- Popeye
- Space Magazine



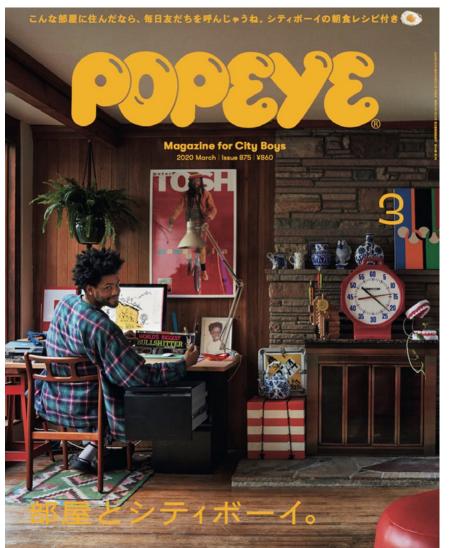














People photography

All people photography should have a documentary/editorial style. The goal is to capture people in their real environments doing real/authentic things.

When capturing people, the product should be secondary. The purpose of people photography is to bring humanity to the HP brand, not to force product into the human story.

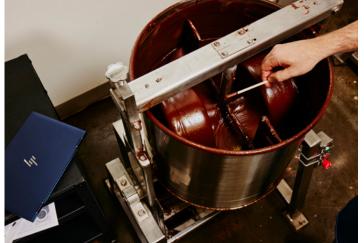




























People photography

Use a documentary/editorial photography style that is journalistic in nature. These images capture people and their personal experiences, hobbies, skills, and professions. Highlight them as unique individuals, and share their stories through HP.

Shot list rubric

Activities

The hero's actions and the environments where they happen.



Portraits

Confident hero portraits captured with a range of expressions.



Product interaction

Hero using products or products in proximity.



Wide



Mid



Tight













People photography

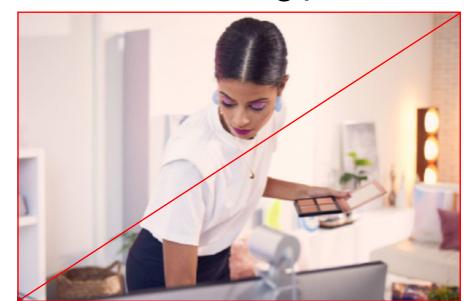
Avoid overly staged "lifestyle" type shots.

Important notes

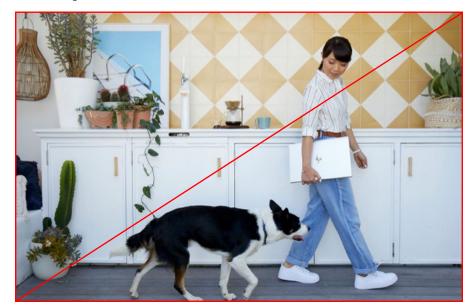
No frozen shots



No uninteresting poses



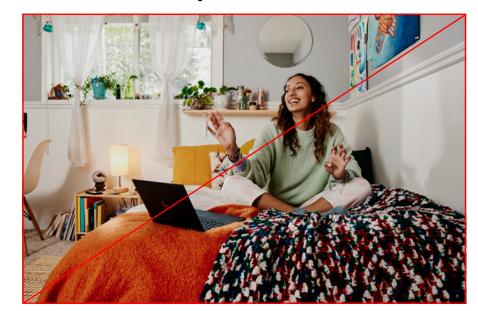
No perfect decor



Not too casual



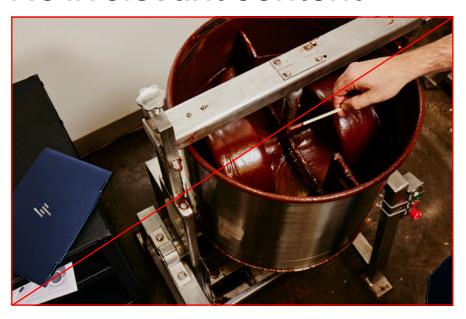
No forced poses



No fake action/expression



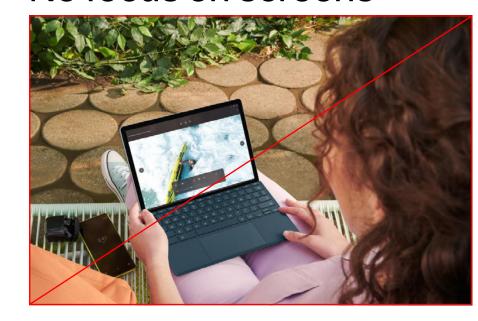
No irrelevant content



No awkward poses



No focus on screens



Product photography

Photo inspiration

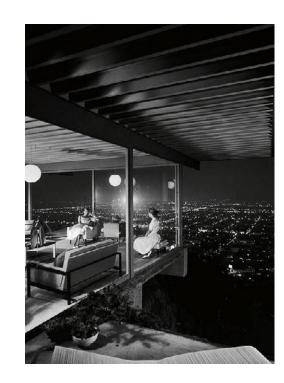
Focus on form, composition, product shape, and texture.

Highlight the materials, and remove the distracting shadows.

- 1. Standard gray background
- 2. Product facing forward
- 3. Products on the same plane
- 4. Black screens
- 5. No shadows

Inspired by mid century modern architecture

(Consistent angles, minimal yet thoughtful)





Inspired by minimalist sculpture

(Minimal yet intentional. Beautiful and monolithic forms)





Inspired by archival catalogs

(Products were shot at consistent angles—inspired by a clean, organized, and archival feel)





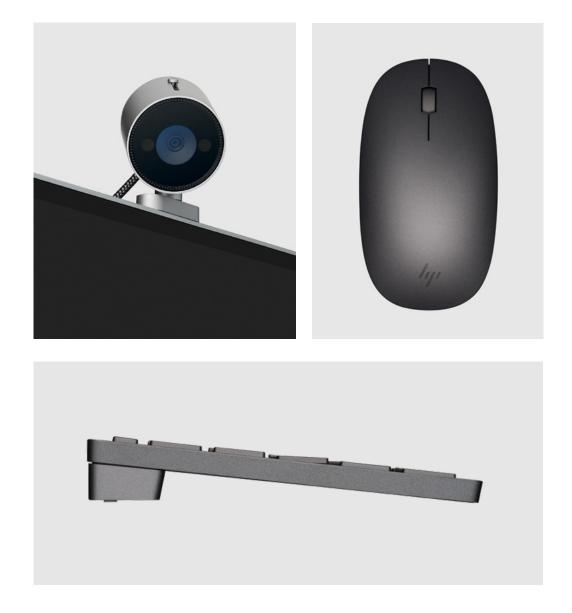




Photo inspiration

Focus on form, composition, product shape, and texture.

Highlight the materials, and remove the distracting shadows.

- 1. Standard gray background
- 2. Product facing forward
- 3. Products on the same plane
- 4. Black screens
- 5. No shadows



Product photography

Examples of what to avoid when selecting or shooting product photography.

Important notes

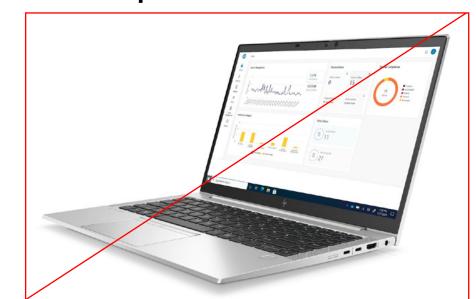
No focus on enviroment



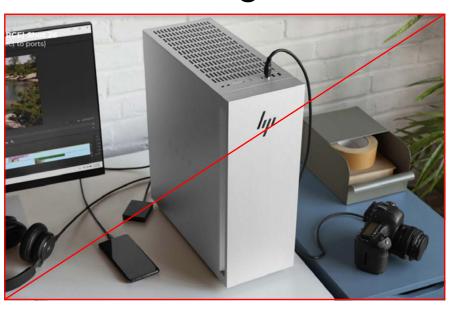
No screens



No drop shadows



No skewed angles



No in-situs



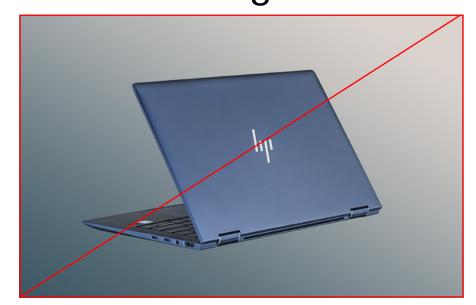
No bad Photoshopping



No "floating"



No color background



No composites



Large format and industrial photography

Large format product photography

Approach industrial and large format photography the same way you would with product photography. Try to shoot in an editorial/documentary style that captures the true quality and aesthetics of the printer without detracting from the subject with unnecessary additions and editing.

- No printouts unless people are featured
- Gray background

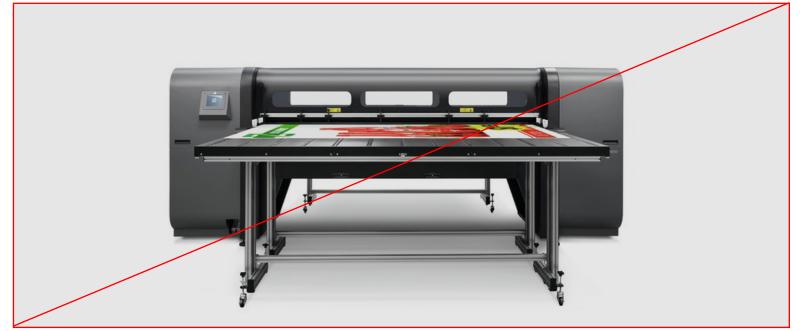








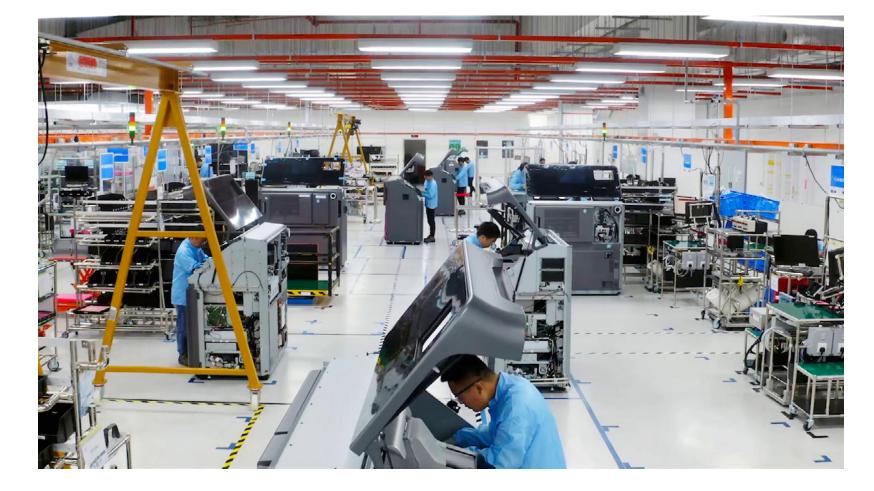




Large format product & people photography

When photographing a large format or industrial printer in a specific space, approach it as you would when shooting people using HP products.

The printer should still look and feel clean and purposeful, but in a realistic setting. Photography of these spaces should feel editorial and authentic.









Sourcing existing IMAGETY

Sourcing existing imagery

When looking for existing imagery, keep the Vis ID photography guidelines in mind.

- Editorial/documentary feel
- Authentic and real people/actions
- Minimal processing/editing

Inspiration for this look/feel can be found via:

- National Geographic
- Colors
- WIRED
- VICE

Ex: Sustainability

Lighting and imagery is too cliche



Generic, stock photo, too soft



Photo is over edited and feels stock



Authentic and real



Interesting shot with minimal processing



Interesting editorial feel



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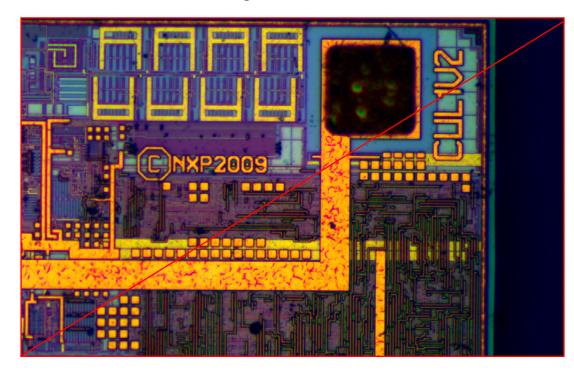
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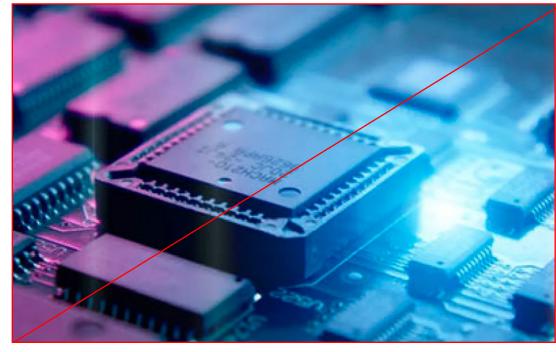
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Ex: Microchip

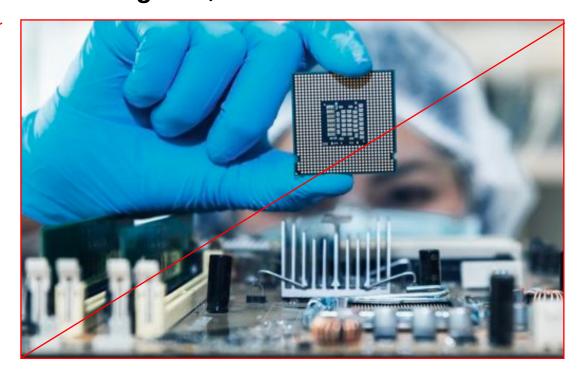
Over edited and superficial



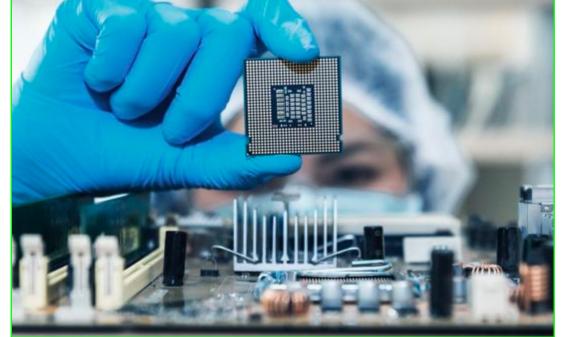
The lighting is confusing



Interesting shot, but over edited



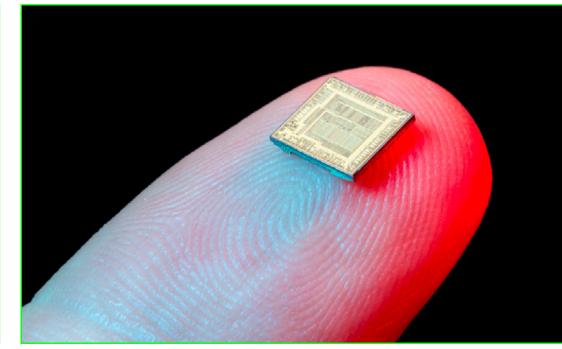
Authentic and real



Straightforward yet interesting



Intriguing shot



Layout

Basic layouts

Layouts are a flexible system that expand and contrast based on the content.

Layouts organize images, messaging, and branding in a clean and pragmatic way.

All headlines and subheads should be in sentence case. Proper nouns are the exception.

1a. Bar (top & bottom)





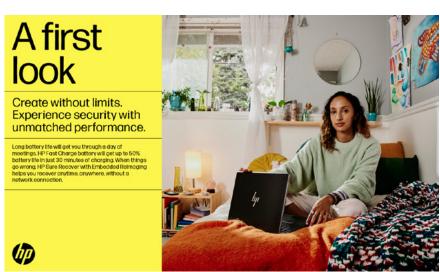
1b. Bar (type over image)





2. Split (left & right)





3. Bisected (left and right)



4. Sandwiched



5. Type driven

Forma DJR has a fascinating story that emulates HP's own. It conveys engineering and universality with the touch of humanity and expression. A more thoughtful font.



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Hierarchy

Text size descends from larger to smaller

Heading module (500 pt)

Subhead module (38 pt)

Every visual perfect! With every moment captured, effortlessly.

Copy module **(**16 pt)

List/logo module (10 pt)

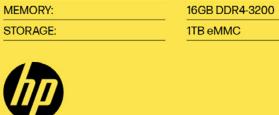
Once plastic reaches the ocean, it is incredibly hard to remove. Battered by seawater and bleached by the sun, plastic debris breaks down into ever-smaller particles, known as microplastics. These microplastics settle onto seafloors or are ingested by animals, causing a host of health and ecosystem problems.

Windows 11

Model Intel UHD Graphics 600

OPERATING SYSTEM:

PROCESSOR & GRAPHICS: MEMORY:



Vertically stacked

Modules stack either vertically or horizontally

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OPERATING SYSTEM:

PROCESSOR & GRAPHICS: MEMORY: STORAGE:

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Modules

Are separated by either line divider or color sections

See

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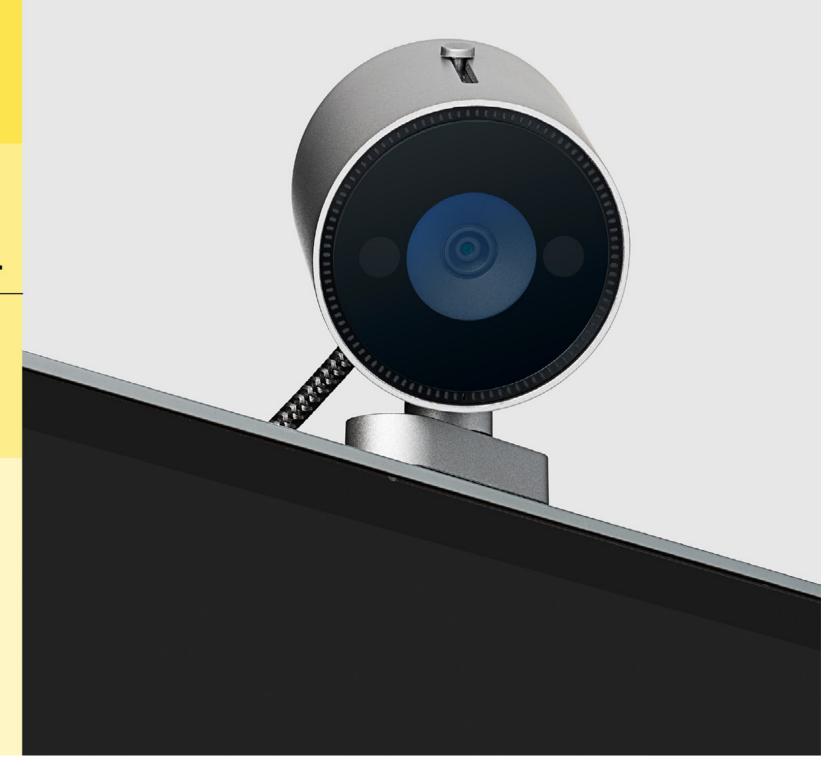
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Basic layouts

Spacing for layout margins and modules is the same. The grid guides horizontal proportions. White space plays an important role—it should be consolidated between opposing module stacks.

Important notes

Margins

Consistent throughout layout



Grid

Determines horizontal proportions: 12 column grid



Embrace white space

White space responds to content. It is consolidated between opposing module stacks.









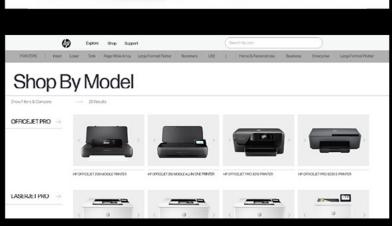
















HP LaserJet Pro 4000

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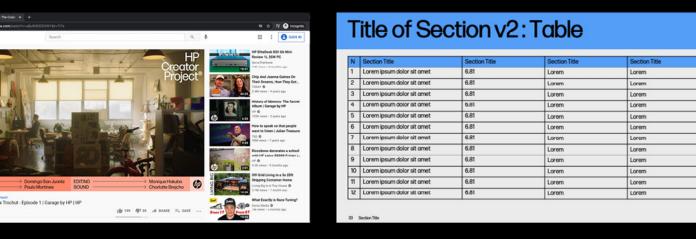






HP Elite Dragonfly







Culture

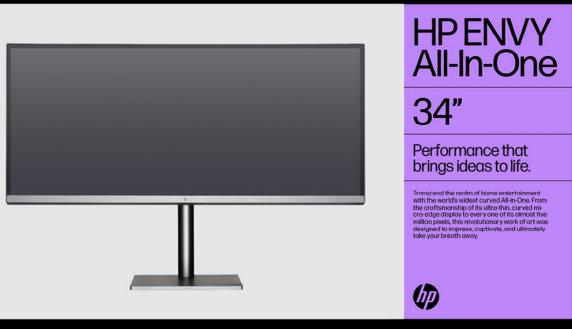
MEASURE

Innovation

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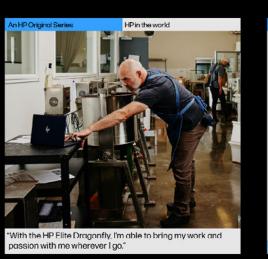


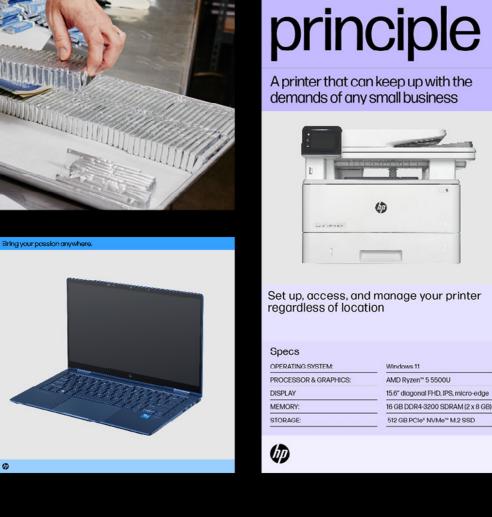












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Animation & graphic illustration

Animation

Animation style should be fun, and witty. We use a minimal graphic illustration approach and expressive typography to communicate aspects of the product or service.

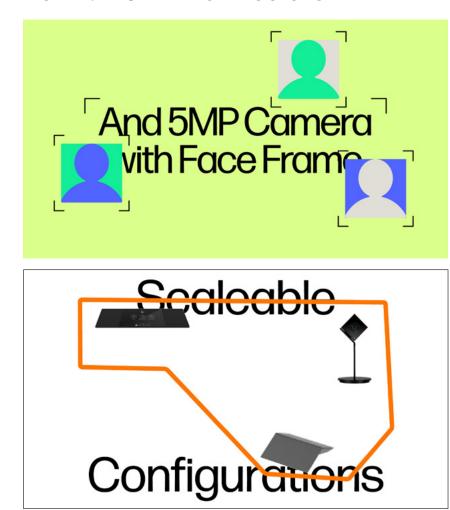
Leaning into visual metaphors to explain complex things is key.

Must Know Things

- Forma DJR Font only
- Colorful type and backgrounds ok when animated

Product demo screenshots

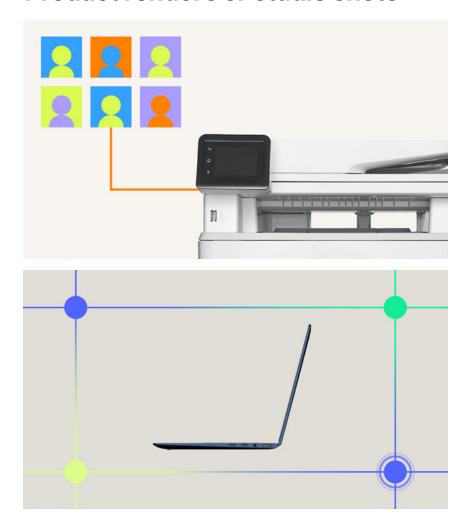
Forma DJR + Vis ID colors



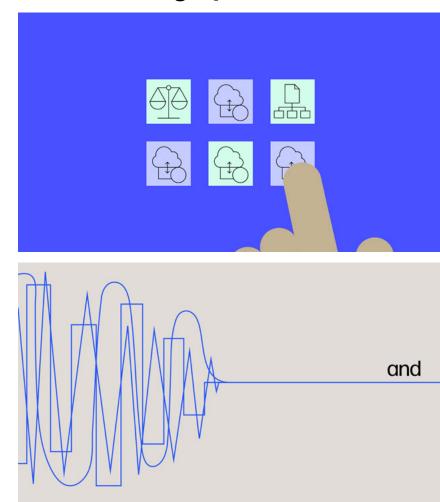
Colorful type + backgrounds



Product renders or studio shots



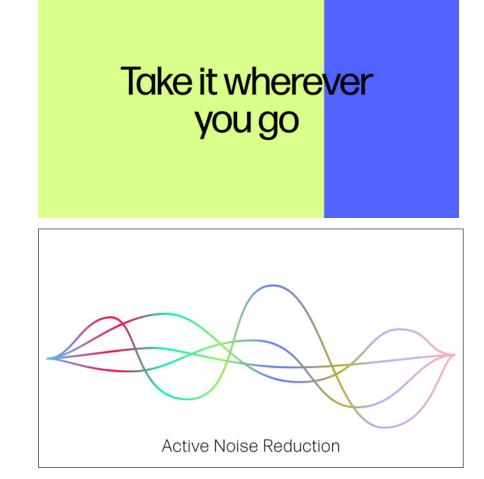
Minimalistic, graphic illustrations



Expressive type manipulation



Simple and concise information



Graphic creative expressions

Campaigns allow us to be more flexible with the general Vis ID and come up with more creative solves. Type, color, and form are manipulated to create see-say visual metaphors to abstractly represent an idea.

Must Know Things

- Only Forma DJR and Vis ID colors
- Colorful type and backgrounds allowed
- Flat and simple illustrations
- Typography manipulation

Important notes

Forma DJR + Vis ID colors

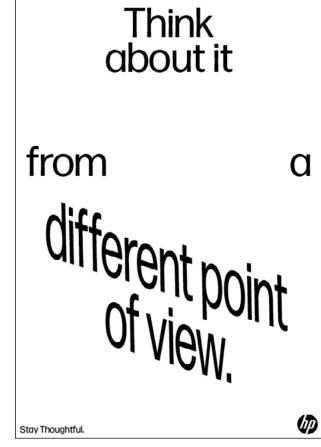


Colorful type + backgrounds

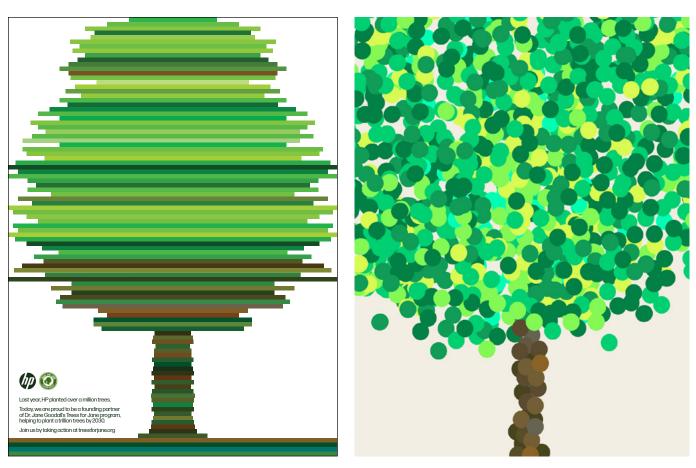


Typography manipulation





Flat and simple illustrations



Infographics

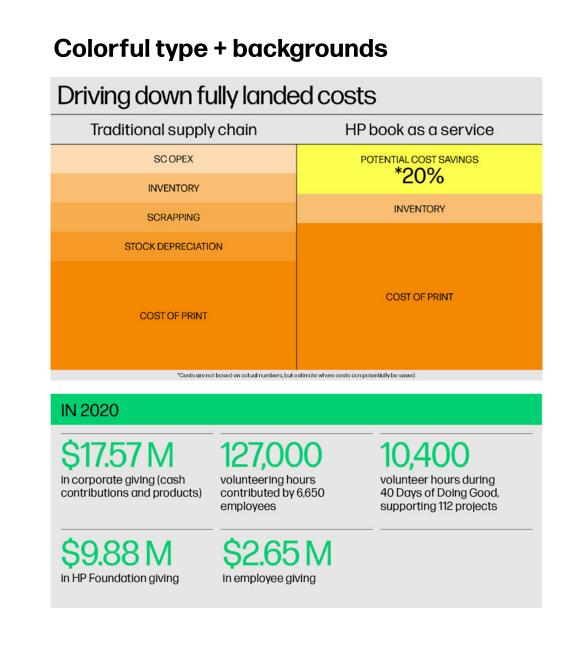
Reports and documents require infographics, charts, and other forms of information-based imagery. This is an opportunity to incorporate the Vis ID color spectrum with gestural typography and graphic illustrations to communicate data and information.

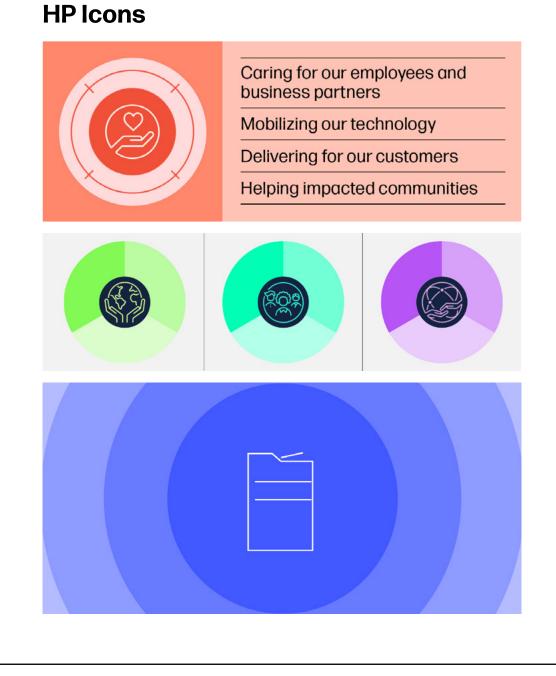
Must Know Things

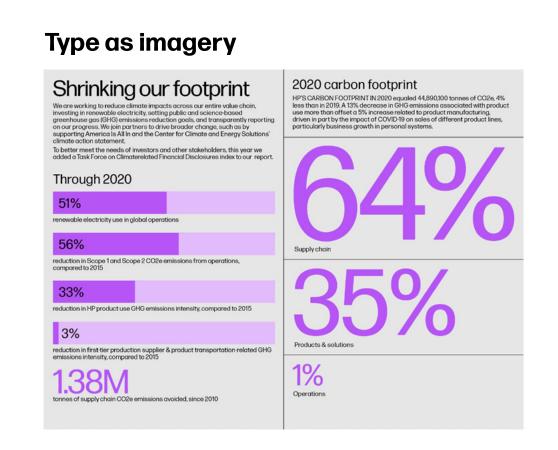
- Only Forma DJR and Vis ID colors
- Colorful type and backgrounds allowed
- Simple, graphic illustrations
- Use type as illustration
- Use icons from the HP icon library where appropriate

Important notes

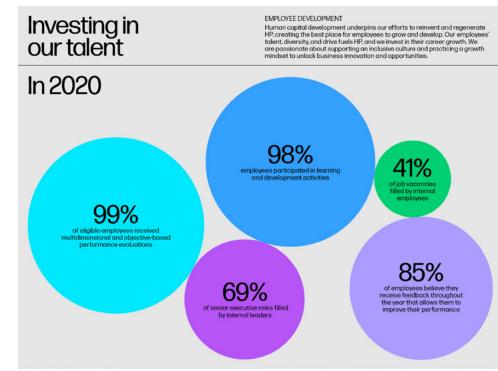
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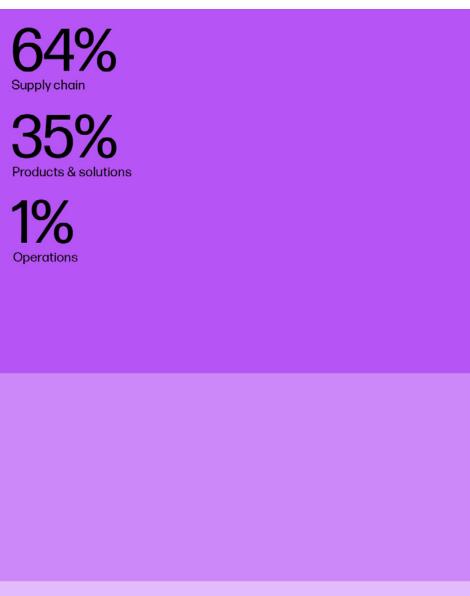






Simple graphics





Frequently asked questions

Questions		An	Answers	
Overall	Will a PPT template, email signature, zoom background, etc that match the Vis ID be available to everyone?	YES	The PPT template, email signature, zoom background, etc. will all be available on Brand Central.	
	Will VisID assets and materials be easily accessible?	YES	Most VisID assets and materials that have been delivered to date can be accessed from Brand Central.	
	Does this affect other sub-brands like Wolf, OMEN, Z by HP, and HP+?	NO	OMEN and Z by HP will continue to have unique brand identities. Please refer to the specific OMEN and Z guidelines. In the case of Wolf Security and HP+, please carry on as usual for the time being.	
Font	Are we still allowed to use HP Simplified? Where?	NO	Forma DJR should replace Simplified in all places. Forma DJR is currently available for download on Brand Central for most languages.	
	Is there language support beyond English?	YES	Multiple languages are supported, and more are coming.	
	Can I use a different weight or styles other than regular Display and regular Micro?	NO	Regular Display & regular Micro only. No Italics or bold.	
Logo/ partner guidelines	What happened to the blue HP logo?		The blue HP logo should only be used in corporate standalone instances. All marketing materials should use a black or white HP logo.	
	Is there a minimum size or clear space rule for the HP logo?	YES	See logo section 2.5 for clear space guidance.	
	Is there a certain way to treat alliance partner logos when paired with the HP logo?	YES	See logo section 2.5 partner logo guidance.	
Photography	Will there be a library or repository for photography in the new style?	YES	There is a bank of people and product photography for reference. Please contact the HP head of photography for all photography-specific questions.	
	Is there a certain way to approach product photography for large format, industrial, and enterprise?	YES	All product photography should be approached in the same way.	
	Can I use props in product photography? e.g., printer paper or other office supplies?	NO	Props like printer paper should only be used when the product is in use. Do not use props if there are no people in imagery with products. Props for HP Papers (ex: photo paper) are the exeption.	

Frequently asked questions

Questions	
Color	ls there guidance on when to use a neutrals vs colors?
	Is there a set percentage to use when choosing tints?
	Can I assign a specific color to my product?
Lines	Is there guidance around when to use lines vs color blocks?
	Are there instances where lines would be preferred over color blocks?
Layout/Headlines	Is there guidance around when to use sentence vs titled case in layouts?
	If I need to put a long headline on a layout, can I use multiple lines?
	Can I add more decoration or ornamentation to a layout I'm creating and still fit within the new VisID?

Answers

YES	See color section 2.2. neutral colors are meant to be balancers and problem solvers.		
YES	Always start with 5-10%, the percentage may need to go up to add more color separation, but 5-10% is the starting point.		
NO	Colors are not assigned, the entire VisID color pallette can be used for any product.		
NO	Using lines vs color blocks is dependent on the layout and what works best.		
NO	The VisID was created to be simple and logical, while being flexible. Use your judgement on what works best with your layout.		
YES	All headlines and subheads should be in sentence case. Proper nouns can be capitalized.		
YES	Yes. Long headlines work best on Bar and Sandwiched layouts. See page 60.		
NO	Don't try to overcompensate; just keep it clean and simple.		

Part 03

The HP brand

The HP brand

Tone of voice

Dave and Bill wanted to make a difference to the world. Their wide-eyed pragmatism created something many considered counterintuitive—a business driven by purpose as much as profit. A company inspired by the possibilities of tomorrow, with a pragmatic plan on how to work toward it today.

This unexpected space where wonder and practicality come together is the distinctive DNA of HP. This is how we talk as a brand; this is our tone of voice.

Wide-eyed pragmatism

Writing guidance

1

Our voice doesn't exaggerate or ponder—it's to the point and clear on what needs to be done today.

- Be straightforward and to the point.
- Prioritize writing in the here and now.

2

We're motivated to understand problems, knowing technology can be the answer.

Only include what's necessary and relevant; be rigorous with the word choice and omit all jargon. 3

We have an engineer's mindset—we're continuously asking questions and experimenting, knowing that's where unexpected solutions come from.

- Be direct without being definitive.
- Our voice comes from an open mind, one that knows there is always more to learn.

4

We're humbly confident, self-assured, and clear on who we are. We know that we don't need to compromise our values.

Our words should have a humble confidence; they should feel written by someone with expertise in their field. 5

We're full of wonder.
We know breakthroughs
can be found
everywhere—we're
excited by and operate
in places far beyond the
tech category.

- We are first and foremost inspired by humanity, and our tone should reflect that.
- While we make machines, we don't talk like them.

See you next time:-)