

The colours illustrated correspond with the real colours as much as possible.

Explanation of the symbols

Lightfastness

+++ = at least 100 years lightfast under museum conditions

The lightfastness of all colours has been tested according to the ASTM standard D4303.

The Colour Index

The pigments used in Van Gogh paint have been indicated according to the Colour Index. The Colour Index is an internationally used system for pigments and dyes that have been used in all types of paint (therefore also in artists' paint). The system is based on a number and name associated to the chemical structure. Originally the Colour Index was developed the U.S.A., hence the use of

English descriptions of the chemical class.

The abbreviations mean the following:

PW = pigment white

PY = pigment yellow

PO = pigment orange

PR = pigment red

PB = piament blue

PV = pigment violet

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PG = pigment green

 $\mathsf{PBr} = \mathsf{pigment} \; \mathsf{brown}$

PBk = pigment black

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