

# #8BB4BF



Permalink: <https://hextral.com/hex-colors/color-code-details/8bb4bf/>

Metric	Value	Metric	Value
RGB	139, 180, 191	Brightness	170.2
HSL (°,%,%)	193°, 29%, 65%	HSV V %	75 %
Lab (L*,a*,b*)	70.8, -11.1, -10.1	CMYK (%)	27%, 6%, 0%, 25%
Contrast Black	9.38:1	Contrast White	2.24:1

## Palette neighbours



## Tints & Shades



## Color Profile: #8BB4BF

**Common Name:** *Soft Glacier Blue*

**RGB:** 139, 180, 191

**HSL:** ~192°, ~29%, ~65%

**Contrast vs White:** 3.7:1 – AA Fail

**Contrast vs Black:** 5.7:1 – AA Pass (Large Text)

**Color Mood:** Calm, muted, and inherently professional. This blue carries subtle associations with northern seascapes, digital clarity, and quiet design precision. Its understated character makes it a favorite for low-distraction environments where focus or neutrality is key.

### Notable Close Matches:

- **Exact Match:** NCS S 2020-B10G – #8BB4BF ( $\Delta E=0.00$ )
- RAL Design – #8AB3BF ( $\Delta E=0.66$ )
- Hallman Lindsay “Trisha’s Eyes” – #8EB9C4 ( $\Delta E=1.82$ )
- Matthews “Celestine Blue Met.” – #91B7C2 ( $\Delta E=1.61$ )
- Isomat LPC 1884 – #88B6C0 ( $\Delta E=1.76$ )

### Why Designers Use It.

Designers appreciate #8BB4BF for its balance — sitting just between energetic aquas and conservative greys. It’s a safe pick for UI backgrounds, infographics, and institutional design where clarity without emotional overload is needed. This hue often appears in Scandinavian design palettes and maritime-themed branding. There’s a modest tech-sector adoption, particularly in educational platforms and SaaS UI dashboards — soft enough to fade but distinct enough to structure. It’s not loud, not trendy — which ironically makes it timeless. While there’s no direct natural pigment behind it, it feels like morning light hitting a glacier — cool, serene, dependable. Used occasionally in transport and safety materials where calm visibility is preferred (especially naval and cruise visual systems). Not a fashion-first color, but quietly prevalent in European public signage and some medical interiors. Think Nordic restraint meets UX sensibility.

