

# #CBBB9F



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Metric	Value	Metric	Value
RGB	203, 187, 159	Brightness	189.0
HSL (°,%,%)	38°, 30%, 71%	HSV V %	80 %
Lab (L*,a*,b*)	76.5, 1.2, 16.2	CMYK (%)	0%, 8%, 22%, 20%
Contrast Black	11.15:1	Contrast White	1.88:1

## Palette neighbours



## Tints & Shades



## Color Profile: #CBBB9F

**Common Name:** *Natural Beige Sand*

**RGB:** 203, 187, 159

**HSL:** 39°, ~28%, ~71%

**Contrast vs White:** 1.6:1 – *Fail* (WCAG AA)

**Contrast vs Black:** 10.6:1 – *Pass* (WCAG AA+AAA)

### Mood Blurb:

Understated but refined, this tone brings warmth without flash. Popular in modern Scandinavian interiors and earthy palettes, it whispers calm while staying grounded in tradition. Its widespread adoption in contemporary design signals a preference for neutrality with depth.

### Close Named Matches:

- **NCS S 2010-Y20R** — #CBBB9F (*Exact match,  $\Delta E=0.00$* )
- **Dutch Boy – Wood Smoke** — #CCBB9F ( *$\Delta E=0.41$ , nearly indistinguishable*)
- **Jotun – CAPPUCCINO** — #CEBDA2 ( *$\Delta E=1.06$* )
- **Sherwin-Williams – Ramie** — #CDBDA2 ( *$\Delta E=0.93$* )
- **Dunn-Edwards – Bungalow Taupe** — #CEBE9F ( *$\Delta E=1.85$* )

### Why Designers Use It.

- **Because it's neutral but warm.** This is a go-to tone when pure greys feel too cold and whites too stark. Its low chroma and warm undertones make it incredibly adaptable across furniture, wall paint, textiles, and even UI background color systems.
- **Highly used in interiors and architecture.** Think of stucco walls in the Mediterranean or modern eco homes in Northern Europe—it blends effortlessly into natural palettes. It complements raw wood, soft leathers, and off-white ceramics without dominating the space.
- **Strong presence in paint systems and national color standards.** Notable exact or near-exact matches in Dutch Boy, Jotun, Sherwin-Williams, and NCS index show its institutional acceptance, especially for building facades, commercial interiors, and military-approved palettes.

- **Textiles and soft goods love this color.** Often found in linen blends, cotton throws, woven baskets, and organic upholstery, its earthy comfort adds a tactile richness, often favored in hospitality, lifestyle retail, and minimalist home design.
- **Not just a trend, but a staple.** While muted earth tones cycle in and out of high fashion, this one remains—a stable, conservative pick in industries from furniture manufacturing to UI/UX design systems. Its legacy lies in being unassuming yet ever-relevant.

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