

NAME

dircolors – color setup for ls

SYNOPSIS

dircolors [*OPTION*]... [*FILE*]

DESCRIPTION

Output commands to set the LS_COLORS environment variable.

Determine format of output:

-b, --sh, --bourne-shell

output Bourne shell code to set LS_COLORS

-c, --csh, --c-shell

output C shell code to set LS_COLORS

-p, --print-database

output defaults

--print-ls-colors

output fully escaped colors for display

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

If *FILE* is specified, read it to determine which colors to use for which file types and extensions. Otherwise, a precompiled database is used. For details on the format of these files, run '**dircolors --print-database**'.

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REPORTING BUGS

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GNU coreutils home page: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

General help using GNU software: <<https://www.gnu.org/gethelp/>>

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SEE ALSO

Full documentation <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/dircolors>>
or available locally via: info '(coreutils) dircolors invocation'

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