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# **Diamond Engagement Rings - The Natural Colour Of A Diamond**

[Diamond engagement rings](#) are the best friends of ladies. These rings signify and formalize agreements for future weddings. And for women, having their partners ask their hands in marriage is one of the most joyful moments in their lives.

Traditionally, it is the man who visits the store to shop around for the best engagement ring for his woman. Selecting an engagement ring is quite difficult as there are lots of varieties, styles, and designs in the market. In addition, upon closer look of a diamond, one would see that it has a slight tint to it. That hue constitutes a part of the four C's---clarity, carat weight, cut, and color---that determine diamond quality. In this article, we will talk about the last C, which is color.

Many diamonds are not really colorless. The tint comes from impurities that are molecularly embedded in the carbon that composes the diamond. Yet it is the pure colorless diamonds, often called white diamonds, which all other colors are compared to.

The Gemological Institute of America (GIA) has created a set of guidelines to find out the color of a diamond. The tint of a candidate diamond is compared to the color of corresponding control stones, which are pre-selected to a specific colour.

The diamond that is to be color graded should be a loose stone. This means it should not be set into the metal since the metal can alter the natural hue of the stone. Next, the candidate diamond is placed table-down, pavilion-up beside the control stone. It is then viewed and scrutinized with a 10X loupe. A letter system from D to Z is then used to classify the the diamond's color with D being given to rare, completely colorless diamonds.

- \* D to F - colorless or white
- \* G to J - almost colorless
- \* K to M - tinted in a barely imperceptible yellow hue
- \* N to R - lightly tinted in a yellow hue. The color can be seen by the human eye, even without special viewing equipment
- \* S to Z - moderately tinted, going to brown. The hue is visible even when the diamond is placed on its setting.

Consult with an experienced jeweler to assist you in selecting the right engagement ring and [diamond earrings](#) with the correct diamond color.

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