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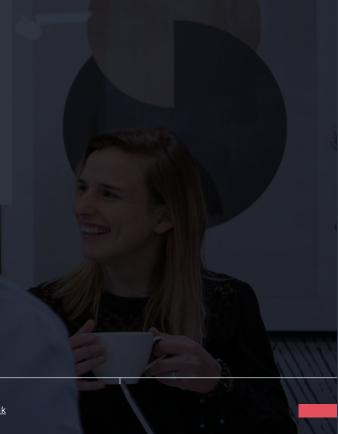
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## Brand Book & Visual Guidelines

#### **Brand Book 2024**

Our brand guidelines define the core elements of our brand, ensuring consistency, clarity, and impact across all platforms.

From our visual identity to our tone of voice, these guidelines are designed to keep our brand cohesive and recognizable, helping us connect meaningfully with our audience and convey our values effectively.



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Visual Guideline
Overview



Brand manual & visual guidelines

## **Overview**

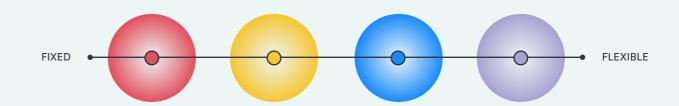
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Brand manual & visual guidelines

## Fixed and flexible

The Fisher German brand involves a scale of flexibility in order to maintain a cohesive brand appearance whilst still allowing for a degree of freedom.

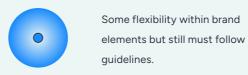
This gives anyone using the Fisher German brand a visual representation on how rigid each element of the brand is and allows them to tailor their communications with the appropriate degree of flexibility.







A degree of flexibility is offered but must still be within described guidelines.

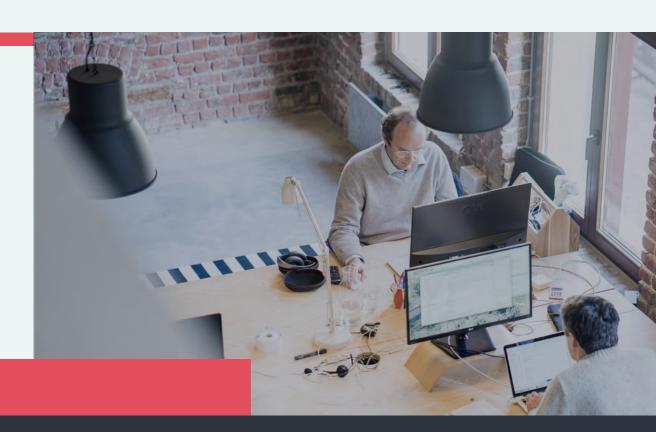




Freedom to use brand element in any way required..

# Brand Core

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## Building lasting value. *Together.*

For over 200 years, Fisher German has retained a commitment to excellence, innovation, and client service. It has defined who we are as a business.

And so, as we look to the future, we are dedicated to evolving and growing while staying true to the values and traditions that have built our reputation.

By building on our past, we can shape a future where innovation and tradition go hand in hand, reflecting our commitment to continuous improvement and ensuring we remain at the forefront of the industry.

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Brand Core
Our Onliness

We are genuinely invested in our clients' success and strive to build relationships based on implicit trust.

Our value comes from being able to guide our clients through complex issues associated with land and property smoothly, whilst truly understanding and caring about their needs.





Brand Core Our Values



## Pioneering

By staying agile, we can ensure we are always on the front foot, providing the best results.

Keep your ear close to the ground—use competitor and market data to keep Fisher German competitive. Be creative and differentiate us from the competition—seek innovative ways of doing business.



Brand Core
Our Values



## Trusted

By staying consistent in all that we do, we stay trusted by our clients.

Our unwavering commitment to consistency and excellence defines who we are and drives everything we do.





## Driven

By staying driven, we guarantee value for our clients.

Our relentless drive propels us to deliver exceptional results. We not only achieve our goals but also elevate our clients to new heights of success.



Brand Core
Our Values



## Experts

We stay experts by being inquisitive, ensuring we always provide the best advice.

Even masters are lifelong students so we must retain a hunger for knowledge. Our willingness to learn and harness insight is what informs our astute decision making



Brand Logo



## Brand Logo

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#### Brand logo

### **FG** wordmark

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#### The FG logo

The simple and clear lines enhance readability, making the name easily recognisable and legible at a glance, while the minimalist styling should contribute to a simple yet timeless composition that remains relevant over time.

Projecting a sense of modernity and professionalism, using a sans serif typeface aligns well with how FG would like to be viewed.

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Brand Logo

Logo Construction



Brand logo

## Logo construction

#### Logo construction

It is important to keep corporate marks clear of any other graphic elements. To regulate this, an exclusion zone has been established around our logo.

This exclusion zone indicates the closest any other graphic element or message can be positioned in relation to the wordmark. They have a fixed relationship that should never be changed in any way.





Logo clearance

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### Logo clearance

Whenever you use the logo, it should be surrounded with clear space to ensure its visibility and impact. No graphic elements of any kind should invade this zone. To work out the clearance, add at least half of the logo height of space to all sides. (Clearance = Height / 2).

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Dark version

## fisher german Light version

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Brand logo

## Logo sizing

Use the primary size guideline to help scale the logo within a given format, and for legibility, always make sure it's larger than the minimum size.

#### Suggest, don't shou

Remember that the Fisher German logo should act as an identifier that complements the content of a given layout, not overpower the other elements within. If it is too large, it draws too much attention to itself at the expense of the overall communication



#### Minimum size

To maintain legibility, the logo should not be reproduced at widths smaller than 30mm (in print) or 100 pixels (on screen).

#### Maximum size

There is **no maximum size limit**, but use discretion when sizing the logo. It should live comfortably and clearly as an identifying mark. It shouldn't crowd out other elements or voices in a composition.



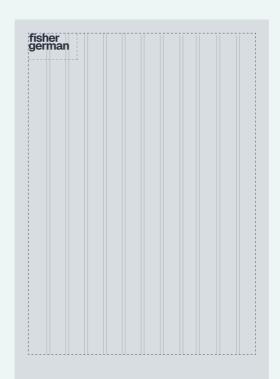
#### Exemption

When the Fisher German logo appears by itself without any other graphic elements (such as on signage, banners, or video idents), it can assume a more prominent presence and can be scaled up in size to reflect this.

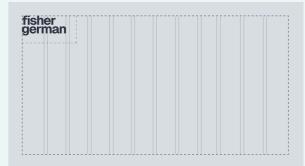
Brand logo

## Logo positioning

To maintain consistency, the logo should always be positioned top right of a page or screen.







Keep the logo position consistent

Keep the logo positioned to the top left with the required amount of clearance on all sides.



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Brand logo

### What not to do

To maintain consistency in logo use, do not do any of the following practices.



Do not change the alignment of the logo



Do not apply a gradient to any part of the logo



Don't stretch, condense, skew, bend, or otherwise distort the logo



Don't use colours other than brand colours



Do not apply graphic effects effects to the logo



Do not use the logotype in outlined form

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Do not alter the overall shape of the logo

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Brand logo

## Uppercase or lowercase

Our name should only ever appear as 'Fisher German' when written or used within text.

Referring to ourselves as FG is only ever suitable for internal communications only.

How our name is written

At **Fisher German**, everything we do is underpinned by our vibrant culture— our visions, values and behaviours that shape our business practices.

How our name is not written

At **fisher german**, everything we do is underpinned by our vibrant culture— our visions, values and behaviours that shape our business practices.

At **FG**, everything we do is underpinned by our vibrant culture— our visions, values and behaviours that shape our business practices.

\*Usage of FG is limited to internal communications only

Brand Colours

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## Brand Colours

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Brand colours

### Colour overview



#### Brand colour system

Colour plays an important role in the Fisher German identity. The palette was chosen as a way to reflect both FIsher Germans past and future. The muted tones—a representation of their heritage—provide a sense of reliability, professionalism, and trust to the brand. While the bolder colours—representative of their growth and expansion into more modern markets—provides energy and excitement to the brand. This combination of tones gives the brand palette a wide and adaptable emotional range, with flexibility to support new markets and sectors.

Consistent use of these colours will contribute to the cohesive and harmonious look of the Fisher German brand identity across all relevant media.

As per WCAG accessibility guidelines, all our colour combinations conform to WCAG AA at a minimum. For more information on this, see page 29: Using colour

Download palette as .ase

Download palette as .ai

Brand colours

### **Core FG**

This is our core palette. Anything that is core FG brand should be primarily made using these colours and tones. Depending on purpose, these can also be combined with our high performance or energy palettes, seen on pages 27 & 28

FG Blue | 2e3340
C:81 M:69 Y:49 K:54
PANTONE 7547 C

Breeze | d9edeb
C:13 M:1 Y:7 K: 0
PANTONE 7541 C

FG Red | e34f5c
C:4 M:80 Y:53 K: 0
PANTONE 1785 C

CORE BRAND COLOURS

Brand colours

## Performance palette

This is our high performance pallete. Use this is combination with our core palette when we need high levels of professionalism, for example: legal documents, invoices and pitch documents.

FG Blue   2e3340 C:81 M:69 Y:49 K:54 PANTONE 7547 C	80%	%09	40%
Breeze   d9edeb C:13 M:1 Y:7 K: 0 PANTONE 7541 C			
Juniper   3d546b C:79 M:58 Y:38 K: 26 PANTONE 431 C			
Indigo   5e707a C:64 M:48 Y:38 K: 23 PANTONE 7545 C			

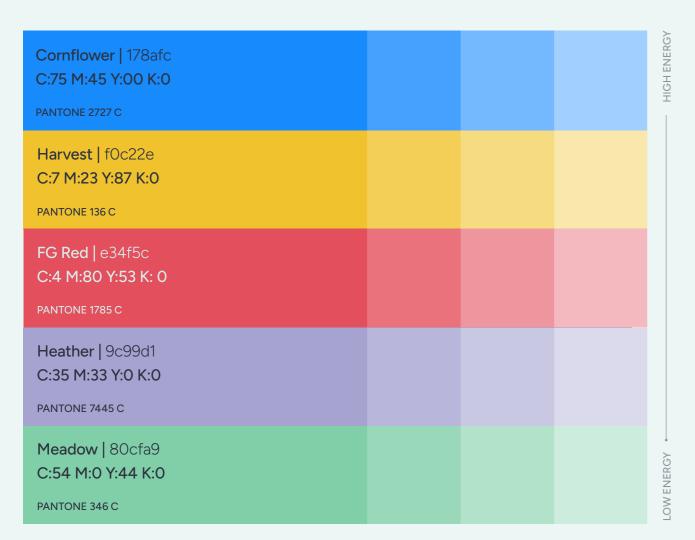
CORPORATE COLOURS



Brand colours

## **Energy palette**

Our accent colours have an associated energy level and can be used to add varying levels of impact. For example the blue or yellow for high impact when we need something to appear youthful, or the lilac and green for when we need to be more subdued and calm.



**ENERGY COLOURS** 

Brand colours

## Colour combinations

This table lists recommended combinations of foreground and background colours, measured by contrast ratio. A **filled cell** indicates a recommended combination of foreground (text) and background colours. A **blank cell** indicates a combination of colours that is not recommended.



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Brand colours

### Colour contrast

This table lists combinations of foreground and background colours, measured by contrast ratio.

A **filled cell** indicates a combination of colours that passes WCAG AA. A **blank cell** indicates a combination of colours that fail accessibility checks

TEXT

		FG Blue	FG Red	Breeze	Harvest	Cornflower	Lilac	Juniper	Indigo
	FG Blue		3.32:1 AA (Large)	10.37:1 AAA	7.91:1 AAA	3.65:1 AA (Large)	5.27:1 AAA		
	FG Red	3.32:1 AA (Large)		3.11:1 AA (Large)					
	Breeze	10.37:1 AAA						6.44:1 AAA	4.23:1 AAA
	Harvest	7.91:1 AAA						4.91:1 AAA	3.23:1 AA (Large)
	Cornflower	3.65:1 AAA							
	Meadow	6.86:1 AA						4.26:1 AA (Large)	
BACKGROUND	Lilac	5.27:1 AAA						3.27:1 AA (Large	
BACKG	Juniper			6.64:1 AAA	4.91:1 AAA		3.27:1 AA (Large)		
	Indigo			4.23:1 AA (Large)	3.23:1 AA (Large)				

### Checking accessibility

The WebAIM Contrast Checker (webaim.org/resources/contrastchecker) is a good resource for determining accessible colour contrast ratios. The application will produce results that either pass or fail the different colour accessibility ratios

Brand colours

## Colour usage

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Brand Type

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## Brand Type

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Brand typography

## Typography overview

Figtree lends to a modern, clean look through its simple, unembellished lines. Its readability on digital screens make it ideal for today's digital-first audience. While DM Serif adds a layer of formality and trust to the brand. Evoking reliability and stability, and a sense of heritage, especially for a brand rooted in professionalism and expertise like FG.

## Figtree

## DM Serif

#### Legacy typefaces

Legacy typefaces such as Roboto should not be used going forward, as it has now been depreciated. They may still appear in old materials however, that will need to be updated.

Brand Type Informative Typeface



Brand typography

## **Primary typeface**

## Figtree A strong foundation

Source : Google Fonts

#### Font information

Figtree offers a modern, professional, and clean design that enhances the aesthetic appeal of content with its contemporary and minimalist appearance. It ensures high legibility for large sections of text in both digital and print media, making it versatile for various contexts. With a blend of modern aesthetics and timeless design elements, Figtree has a broad and lasting appeal, and its versatility allows it to be used across a variety of platforms

Download Figtree

Primary typeface

## Font styles



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Emotive Typeface



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## Secondary typeface

## DM Serif

Short phrases, big impact

Source : Google Fonts

#### Font information

DM Serif Display is a high-contrast transitional face with a blend of traditional and modern design elements. It offers a classic, sophisticated look with high legibility for both digital and print media. It is versatile, working well in various sizes and contexts. It is also freely accessible and free to use, modify, and distribute, providing a cost-effective solution that is well-supported across platforms, ensuring a cohesive brand identity.

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Secondary typeface

## Font styles

DM Serif Regular
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A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m
n o p q r s t u v w x y z

DM Serif Italic
100

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m
n o p q r s t u v w x y z

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#### Brand typography

## **Presenting perfectly**

#### Typeface choice

Figtree should be predominantly used as a primary typeface for most uses. DM Serif should be only used for impactful headlines, or draw attention to certain content such as pull quotes or figures.

#### Alignment and justification

The preferred alignment for text is left-aligned, ragged right. Avoid fully justified type. Use hyphenation when necessary, but avoid excessive hyphens. Centred type can be used in more formal situations.

#### Line spacing (Leading)

In most cases, apply 5–7 extra points of line spacing (leading). For example, 8-point text should have line spacing between 14 and 16 points. Add more line spacing at smaller sizes, and less at larger sizes. Text can be set solid (with no extra line spacing) in headlines.

#### Letter spacing (Tracking

When using text in larger sizes (above 15 points), tighter letter spacing (negative tracking) should be used to prevent words from appearing too loose. As a general rule, the larger the type, the tighter the text should be.

#### Bullets and lists

- Make your bullet points symmetrical, just like the ones here.
   Notice how each point begins with a bold directive and ends with a one-sentence explanation.
- Think of a bullet point as a mini headline. It needs to be concise and attention-grabbing
- Keep it simple. Avoid complex outlines and don't use sub-bullets if you can help it.
- Make sure the bullet indent is 4mm (or equivalent).
   This keeps your text aligned making it easier to read

# You will read this first.

### And you will read this line next.

You will go back to read this body copy if you want to know more. It takes the most effort to read because it has a lot of text in a small font in a light weight with tight line spacing. This paragraph is frequently skipped by readers unless they are immediately interested. This is why it; s crucial to use visual hierarchy to draw attention to your message.

You'll probably read this before the paragraph.

#### Keep it short

When laying out text be sure to keep the line length to a maximum of roughly 15 words. Keeping lines around this length makes it easier to read and prevents reading fatigue.

#### Guide the reader

Typographic hierarchy improves readability by guiding the readers through content with clear distinctions between headings, subheadings, and body text. It enhances navigation, emphasises key points, and creates a visually appealing, professional design.

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Brand Type Getting Started



Brand typography

## **Getting started**

#### Installing on MacOS

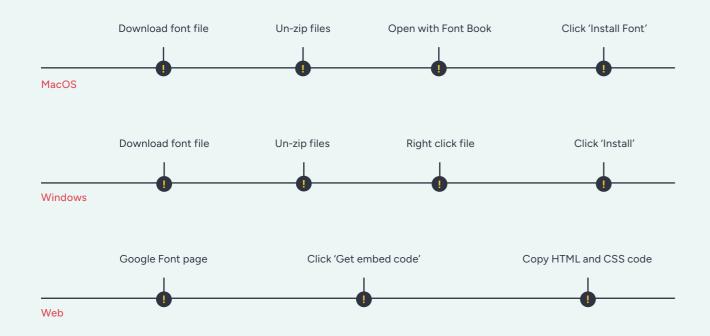
Download and unzip the font files. Select the fonts you would like to install and double-click them to open in Font Book. In the window that appears, click 'Install Font'.

#### Installing on Windows

Download and unzip the font files. Select the fonts you would like to install, then right-click and click 'Install'.

#### Using in web projects

Use the 'Embed Code' option on Google Fonts to copy into your web project.



Brand typography

### **Fallback fonts**

As our brand fonts are freely available from Google Fonts, there should be very few instances where the are unable to be used In the rare instances where they are not available, replace them with the appropriate system font equivalents instead.

Last resort fallback fonts

Figtree → Arial

DM Serif → Georgia

Arial and Georgia are both system font families that are free readily installed on devices as standard. They can be obtained from Google Fonts at <a href="fonts.google.com">fonts.google.com</a> and used in any desktop application as well as in Google Workspace (Docs, Sheets, Slides, etc.)

Brand font

Fallback font

**Figtree** 

**Arial** 

**DM Serif** 

Georgia

**Brand Devices** 

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## Brand Devices

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#### Brand devices

## Iconography

Icons play a crucial role in visually communicating our message, enhancing usability, and creating a cohesive design language. From style and scale to colour and spacing, all icons should be cohesive and contribute to a consistent and intuitive experience.

#### Basic iconography































### Sector iconography





















#### **Download icons**

You can download our new icon set with the link below. Use only approved brand icons and never use stock icons. If new icons need to be created please contact FG Marketing manager Laura Taylor.

Download icon library

Brand Device Photography

Brand devices

## **Brand photography**

People are at the heart of Fisher German, they are the foundation of what makes us, us. Therefore our imagery, when possible should always aim to include our people.

#### Ensure all images are

- High resolution, well defined, and clear
- Appear warm and inviting so the viewer actively wants to get involved
- Contain people and Fisher German branding where possible
- High quality and attention grabbing to attract interest
- Avoid using stock imagery unless previously approved.

All of our images can be downloaded from our online portal from the link below.

Our image portal







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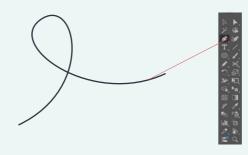
## **Momentum**

Is designed to represent the idea of progression, drive and a willingness to move forward and evolve. The flowing, overlapping nature of the shapes also represents our ability to adapt, flex and navigate any obstacle in their path to deliver the best possible quality of service.



Brand devices

## **Creating momentum**





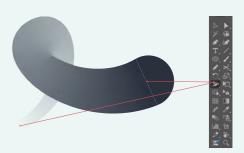
#### DRAW THE SWOOSH SHAPE

Begin by drawing the initial shape using the pen tool.

#### THICKEN LINE

Increase the overall stroke weight. Don't make it too thich however.





#### APPLY GRADIENT

Apply a gradient along the stroke, and fade it into the background colour.

#### **CHANGE WIDTH**

Use the width tool in widen and narrow the ends, creating the illusion of depth.

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**Brand Devices** 

## Example usage

Brand Logo One FG



**Brand Devices** 

### 'One FG'

'One FG' is our internal only brand designed to raise engagement, improve understanding within the FG divisions and services, and increase up-selling & co-operation.





When using the 'One FG' logo, it does not need to be constrained to the colours of the main Fisher German wordmark, and can use any combination of 2 colours from the palette. As long as both elements of the logo can be distinguished.

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#### One FG usage

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As 'One FG' is our internal only brand, the logo should only ever appear on internal collateral.

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