

Introduction

Who is ExpressJet?

ExpressJet began operations in 1986 as Continental Express, the result of Continental Airlines' purchase of a series of small regional airlines. Just five years later, the company spun off as ExpressJet Holdings, making its Initial Public Offering (IPO) at \$16 per share and immediately raising almost \$500 million.

By 2005, ExpressJet Holdings reported quarterly earnings of \$100 million, and sported a fleet of 274 regional aircraft. At this point, ExpressJet had become the world's largest regional airline.

Today, ExpressJet Holdings is invested in a number of successful airline-related business concerns and affiliates, including ExpressJet Airlines, ExpressJet Services, LLC, ExpressJet Training Services and ExpressJet Europe. The company's newest and highest profile segment to date, branded flying, launches Spring, 2006.

The Importance of Branding

While a company is essentially a group of people working toward common goals, the company's brand is their collective voice in the marketplace.

The ExpressJet brand speaks to our customers, to our stakeholders, to our competitors, and to future employees. It speaks in the media, on the runway, in the terminal and every time we pass a business card to a new acquaintance or a boarding pass to a guest.

For our brand—our voice—to be strong, it must be consistent, and it must be compelling. We provide these brand identity guidelines to help that voice be heard—loud and clear.

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ExpressJet logo

The Logo

Fast. Sleek. Aerodynamic. Carefully designed to impart confidence and connote strength and agility, the visual language of ExpressJet begins with our logo. The ExpressJet logo is constructed of two elements—the ExpressJet logotype and the iconic jetlines.

The Logotype

In corporate communications, the logotype—the graphic representation of the word ExpressJet—must always be accompanied by the jetlines.

The Jetlines

As you can see above, the jetlines may be used as a graphic element in corporate communications. Jetlines may only be rendered in ExpressJet Red, ExpressJet Green, black and white. They may only appear horizontally on a page—never vertically—and the jet rendered by the lines must only appear moving forward (to the right). Lines may not be removed or added to this configuration, and the jetlines should never be cropped or distorted.



ExpressJet Logo Usage

ExpressJet logo: color breakdown

The ExpressJet logo features three PANTONE colors: 8281 metallic (ExpressJet Green), 180 (ExpressJet Red) and 548 (ExpressJet Blue).

While preferred, reproducing the logo with three PMS colors may not always be possible. For times when design, print or budgetary constraints require four-color process, CMYK breakdowns have been provided. For on-screen applications such as a Web site, RGB breakdowns are specified.

For maximum design flexibility, the logo may be reproduced as follows.

Three-color

ExpressJet Green, ExpressJet Red and ExpressJet Blue. The full-color version is the preferred application of the logo. It should be used in all full-color applications, including brochures and advertisements.

One-color

ExpressJet Green. Choose the one-color application when the background competes with the logo or only one PMS color can be used.

Black

Use the black—only version specifically for black and white production—fax cover sheets and black and white advertisements, for example.

White

The logo may be reversed to white when used on a dark background.



Three-color

PMS 8281 metallic PMS 485 PMS 548



One-color

PMS 8281 metallic



Black



White

ExpressJet Logo Usage

Logo clearance area & size restrictions

Clearance

The ExpressJet logo must be kept clear of other graphics, text and the edges of the page. By maintaining the clearance around the logo as defined to the right, the logo is kept in clear view of our audience, making it quickly and easily recognizable. Please note—the clear space will vary depending on the size of the logo.

Minimum Size

In order to maintain legibility, the ExpressJet logo must never be reproduced at a size smaller than that specified here—a minimum height of .25 inches. There is no maximum size restriction, but in every instance, clearance requirements must be maintained.

X height



Preferred clearance—X height



Minimum Size



ExpressJet Logo Usage

Improper logo usage

To establish and maintain a readily recognizable ExpressJet visual identity, we have carefully designed logo artwork, color breakdowns and usage guidelines. If you always use the approved logo art, and never alter, distort or redraw the logos, you will easily avoid the common misuses replicated to the right.



Do not skew, distort or improperly scale the logo.



Do not rearrange the graphic elements of the logo.



Do not alter logo graphics.



Do not attempt to recreate the logo by typesetting.



Only use approved colors.

Color palette

Primary Palette

ExpressJet's unique color palette is integral to our brand. The primary color palette to be used in all corporate communications includes the PMS colors featured in the ExpressJet logo: ExpressJet Green, ExpressJet Red and ExpressJet Blue. ExpressJet Red and ExpressJet Blue may only be used at 100 percent (no screens). ExpressJet Green may be screened for background applications.

Secondary Palette

In addition to our three ExpressJet brand colors, we have created a secondary color palette for use in non-corporate communications. These colors range from light—most suitable for background applications—to deeper colors ideal for accent applications.

How to use the color wheel

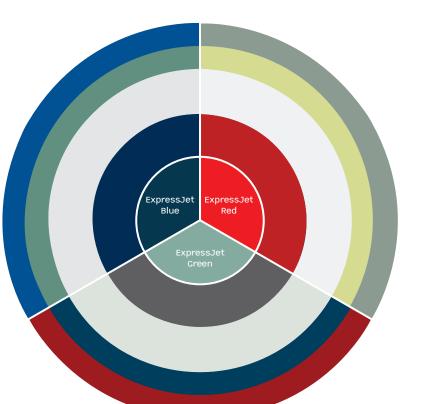
Radiating outward from each core color are two supporting colors and two accent colors. Each collection of five colors forms a secondary color palette.

You may choose one secondary color palette for each application. You may not mix and match colors from palette to palette. Regardless of the palette you choose, all core colors should be applied.









ExpressJet Green Palette

PMS 8281C

PMS 425C

PMS 441C

PMS 303C accent

PMS 1815C accent

ExpressJet Red Palette

PMS 485C

PMS 1807C

PMS Cool Gray 1C

PMS 7492C accent

PMS 444C accent

ExpressJet Blue Palette

PMS 548C

PMS 296C

PMS 427C

PMS 5555C accent

PMS 653C accent

Color breakdown

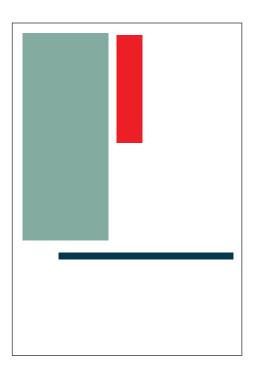
Because our palette is so crucial to our brand identity, guidelines have been established for color usage in corporate communications. Understandably, color is not always an option, and the following guidelines do not apply to black-only (one-color) printing.

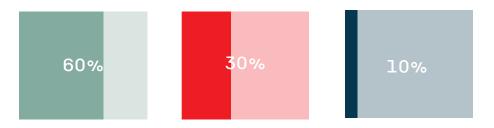
Full-color communications should always incorporate ExpressJet Green, ExpressJet Red and ExpressJet Blue.

ExpressJet Green, our signature color, is unlike any in our competitive marketplace. For this reason, ExpressJet Green should always dominate corporate communications, accounting for approximately 60 percent of the color used on any single piece.

ExpressJet Red should act as a companion color, accounting for 30 percent of the color used.

ExpressJet Blue should act as an accent color, accounting for approximately 10 percent of the color.





Typography: primary

Consistent font usage is an extremely effective way to strengthen a brand visually. With this in mind, we have established font families approved for use in our communications. The primary font family, CPCompany, is to be used in all headlines, subheads and titles, as seen throughout this document.

CPCompany Light

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

CPCompany Regular

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPORSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

CPCompany Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPORSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

CPCompany Black

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPORSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Typography: secondary

Consistent font usage is an extremely effective way to strengthen a brand visually. With this in mind, we have established font families approved for use in our communications. The secondary font family, Slimbach, is to be used in all body copy, as seen throughout this document.

Slimbach Std Book

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Slimbach Medium

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Slimbach Bold

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Slimbach Book Italic

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Slimbach Medium Italic

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

Slimbach Bold Italic

1234567890 ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz