

# BRANDING

## STICK TO BRAND COLOURS



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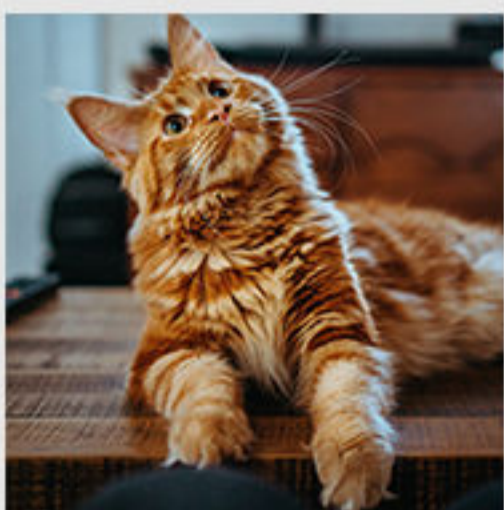
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PROXIMA NOVA (SANS SERIF)

## KEEP IT CONSISTENT BETWEEN PAID & ORGANIC CONTENT

Keeping the brand image consistent between organic content and paid content is important for two reasons. Reason 1: it's important to make your brand recognizable. Sticking to brand colours, fonts, and mnemonic devices helps your audience quickly identify your brand when scrolling through their feed. Reason 2, the more your ad looks like an ad, the less likely it is someone will click on it. If your paid ad looks like your organic content, people will be more likely to engage with it.

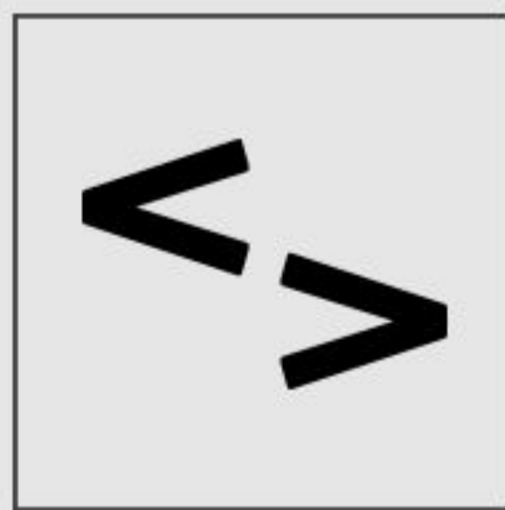
## INCLUDE MNEMONIC DEVICES

These can include but are not limited to a spokesperson, a character, an iconic product, an animated logo, a graphic, or a jingle.



**SPOKESPERSON**

Example:  
if your brand is pet food, your spokesperson may be a distinctive cat.



**GRAPHIC**

Example:  
the <imgary> angle brackets, a reduced part of the logo.



**PRODUCT**

Example:  
an iconic product that everyone associates with your brand.



**LOGO**

Example:  
your logo can be overlaid in an image or incorporated in a way that is more organic

# IMAGE SELECTION

## USE HIGH-QUALITY EYE-CATCHING IMAGES



### AVOID STOCK IMAGES & PLAIN BACKGROUNDS



### USE LIFESTYLE IMAGES, PEOPLE USING THE PRODUCT



### COLOURS SHOULD COMPLEMENT BRAND COLOURS



Reinforce the brand image and help your branded elements stand out with colours that are complementary.

### INCLUDE A DIVERSE SET OF PEOPLE



Including people of diverse genders, races, and ethnicities makes your ads more relatable.

### MAKE SURE IMAGES ARE RELEVANT



Only feature a product that is in stock. If the ad is for a sale, make sure the products being featured are part of that sale.

## PAY ATTENTION TO HOW THE IMAGE LOOKS IN ALL SPECS



# TEXT ON IMAGE

LEAVE NEGATIVE  
**SPACE**

20% - 40%

TEXT SHOULD BE EASY TO READ  
**AGAINST THE BACKGROUND**



OR

AVOID DIFFICULT TO READ

*Fonts*

USE MINIMAL  
FONT VARIANTS

USE CONTRASTING  
**FONT WEIGHTS**

Play around with font weights. Use font weights to add emphases where you want to draw attention to. Example: a discount, a USP, or a CTA.

BLACK FRIDAY SALE  
**50% OFF**

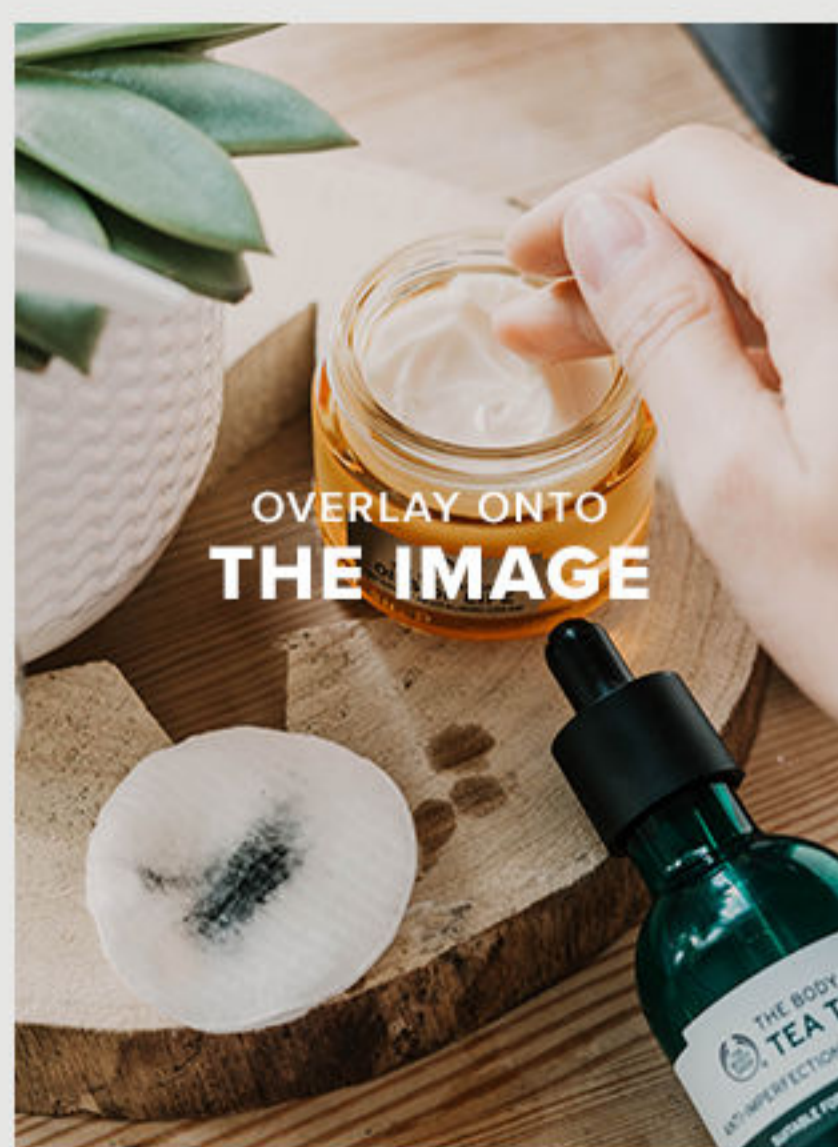
FOR A LIMITED TIME SHOP OUR  
EXCLUSIVE COLLECTION

YOUR CRUISE AWAITS  
**BOOK NOW**

INTEGRATE THE TEXT  
**INTO THE IMAGE**



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AVOID

**IMPLIED INTERACTIVITY**

Do not add buttons, or implied hyperlinks into images that are not clickable.

# GRAPHIC ELEMENTS & COLOUR

## ADD A FOCUS IN YOUR COPY

Adding a graphic element or a contrasting colour can be used to help draw attention to part of your copy like a USP or a CTA. For example:

**HAVE A**  
**HEALTHY**  
START TO YOUR DAY

**USE OF AN ARROW**

**GET**  
**25% OFF**  
ALL SUMMER LONG

**USE OF COLOUR**

**EXCLUSIVE COLLAB**  
**AVAILABLE**  
FOR LIMITED TIME ONLY

**USE OF LINES**









## ADD AN ANIMATED ELEMENT

Movement is > than static. If you have the skills to add a moving element to your ad, do so! GIFs and videos typically always perform better than static images.

Audiences are more likely to engage with your ad if it contains one or more moving elements.

## COLOUR ELEMENTS

Always stay on brand when it comes to colour but if the opportunity arises where you have a little freedom when it comes to colour selection, different colours can help evoke different emotions.

							
<b>RED</b> Passion Excitement Love	<b>ORANGE</b> Playful Invigorating Energy	<b>YELLOW</b> Cheer Friendliness Youth	<b>GREEN</b> Health Nature New Beginnings	<b>BLUE</b> Trust Safety Formality	<b>PURPLE</b> Wisdom Extravagance Creativity	<b>PINK</b> Sweetness Femininity Kindness	<b>BROWN</b> Earthiness Security Seriousness

## KEEP IT TRENDY & TIMELY

Nobody wants their ads to look like a 2004 banner ad. Stay up to date with not only platform best-practices but what is trendy on the platforms you're advertising on. For example **user generated content** > than flyer style graphics.

# A / B TESTING

A/B testing is essential to know which design elements are more likely to get your audience to click on your ad.

## EXAMPLE OF A/B TEST YOU CAN RUN

ADS  
**WITH TEXT**



VS

ADS  
**WITHOUT TEXT**



ADS WITH  
**MUSIC**



VS

ADS WITH  
**A VOICEOVER**

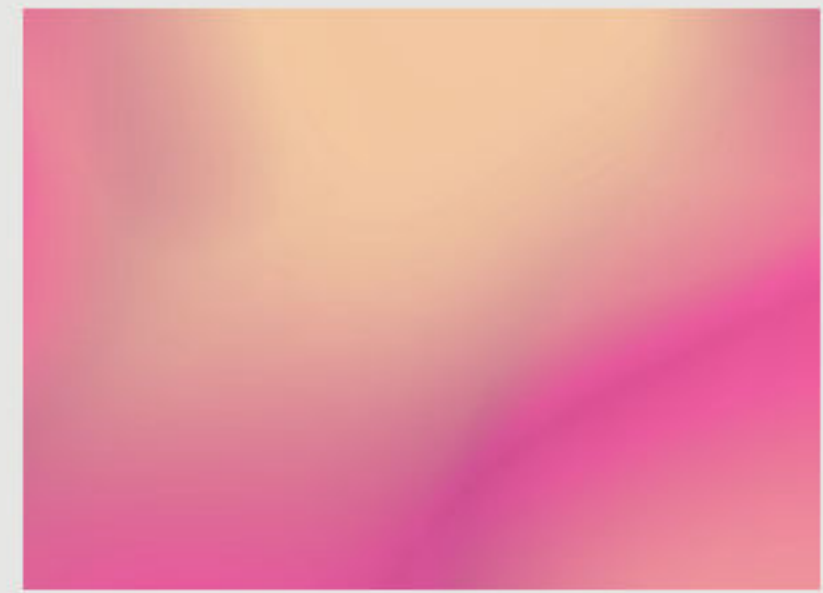


GRAPHIC ELEMNT  
**IN COLOUR A**



VS

GRAPHIC ELEMNT  
**IN COLOUR B**



ADS THAT ARE  
**GIF STYLE**



VS

ADS THAT ARE  
**VIDEOS**



CLASSIC AD THAT'S  
**PROMOTIONAL**

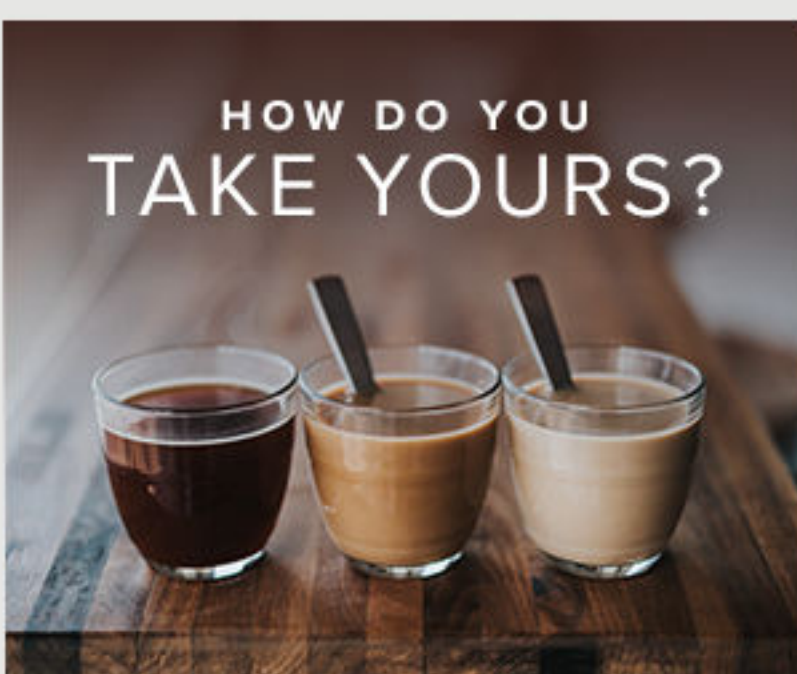


VS

LO-FI AD LIKE  
**USG CONTENT**

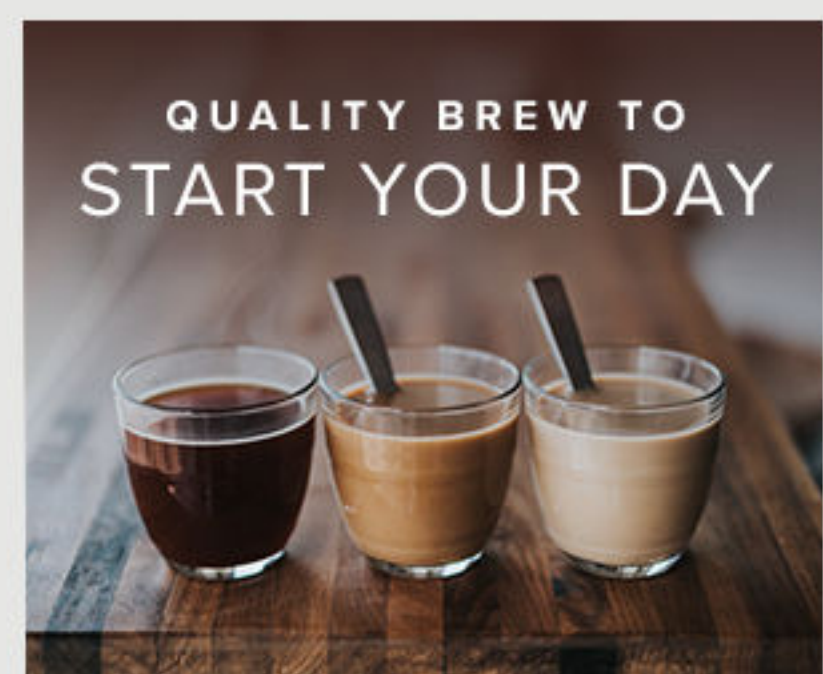


AD WITH  
**COPY A**



VS

AD WITH  
**COPY B**



AD WITH  
**PRODUCT A**



VS

AD WITH  
**PRODUCT B**

