

# Package ‘taylor’

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album_levels	<i>Correct ordering of Taylor Swift's albums</i>
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### Description

Easily create a factor variable for Taylor Swift's albums. Rather than specifying each album individually, you can use this shortcut vector that has already specified the ordering.

### Usage

```
album_levels
```

### Format

A vector of length 10. Each element is an album name, in an order that can be used for making factor variables.

### Details

Albums are listed in release order, with one notable exception. The "Taylor's Version" releases are list directly following the original. That is, *Fearless (Taylor's Version)* comes directly after *Fearless*, rather than after *evermore*, when it was released. This is because "Taylor's Version" is often a stand-in for the original, as in [taylor\\_album\\_songs](#). Thus, it more often makes more sense for the album to be placed with the original, rather than in the actual release order.

### Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
studio_albums <- subset(taylor_albums, !ep)

# by default, albums get plotted in alphabetical order
ggplot(studio_albums, aes(x = metacritic_score, y = album_name)) +
  geom_col()

# use `album_levels` to create a sensible factor variable
```

```
studio_albums$album_name <- factor(studio_albums$album_name,  
                                   levels = album_levels)  
ggplot(studio_albums, aes(x = metacritic_score, y = album_name)) +  
  geom_col()
```

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`album_palettes`*Color palettes based on Taylor Swift's albums*

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## Description

Premade color palettes based on Taylor Swift's album covers. For details on how to extend and shorten these palettes, or create your own color palette, see [color\\_palette\(\)](#).

## Usage

```
album_palettes
```

```
album_compare
```

## Format

A list of length 10. Each element contains a color palette for one of Taylor Swift's studio albums. The list elements are named according to the name of the album.

An object of class `taylor_color_palette` (inherits from `vctrs_vctr`, `character`) of length 10.

## Source

Colors derived from album covers using 'Colormind'.

## See Also

[color\\_palette\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
album_palettes
```

```
album_compare
```

```
album_palettes$evermore
```

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color\_palette      *Create a custom color palette*

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### Description

This creates a character vector that represents palettes so when it is printed, it displays the palette colors.

### Usage

```
color_palette(
  pal = character(),
  n = length(pal),
  type = c("discrete", "continuous")
)

is_color_palette(pal)
```

### Arguments

pal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For color_palette(): A character vector of hexadecimal codes</li> <li>• For is_color_palette(): An object to test</li> </ul>
n	The number of colors
type	The type of palette, either discrete or continuous. If n is greater than the number of colors in pal, type must be continuous.

### Value

A color palette object.

### Examples

```
# use color_palette() to extend or shorten an existing palette
color_palette(album_palettes$lover, n = 10, type = "continuous")

color_palette(album_palettes$fearless, n = 10, type = "continuous")

color_palette(album_palettes$red, n = 3)

# you can also define your own color palette
(my_pal <- color_palette(pal = c("#264653", "#2A9D8F", "#E9C46A",
                                "#F4A261", "#E76F51")))

# and then use that palette for plotting
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(faithfuld) +
  geom_tile(aes(waiting, eruptions, fill = density)) +
  scale_fill_gradientn(colours = my_pal) +
  theme_minimal()
```

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scale\_colour\_taylor\_d *Taylor Swift colour scales based on album cover palettes*

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**Description**

Taylor Swift colour scales based on album cover palettes

**Usage**

```
scale_colour_taylor_d(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  aesthetics = "colour"  
)
```

```
scale_color_taylor_d(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  aesthetics = "colour"  
)
```

```
scale_fill_taylor_d(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  aesthetics = "fill"  
)
```

```
scale_colour_taylor_c(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  values = NULL,
```

```
space = "Lab",  
na.value = "grey50",  
guide = "colourbar",  
aesthetics = "colour"  
)
```

```
scale_color_taylor_c(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  values = NULL,  
  space = "Lab",  
  na.value = "grey50",  
  guide = "colourbar",  
  aesthetics = "colour"  
)
```

```
scale_fill_taylor_c(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  values = NULL,  
  space = "Lab",  
  na.value = "grey50",  
  guide = "colourbar",  
  aesthetics = "fill"  
)
```

```
scale_colour_taylor_b(  
  ...,  
  alpha = 1,  
  begin = 0,  
  end = 1,  
  direction = 1,  
  album = "Lover",  
  values = NULL,  
  space = "Lab",  
  na.value = "grey50",  
  guide = "coloursteps",  
  aesthetics = "colour"  
)
```

```

scale_color_taylor_b(
  ...,
  alpha = 1,
  begin = 0,
  end = 1,
  direction = 1,
  album = "Lover",
  values = NULL,
  space = "Lab",
  na.value = "grey50",
  guide = "coloursteps",
  aesthetics = "colour"
)

scale_fill_taylor_b(
  ...,
  alpha = 1,
  begin = 0,
  end = 1,
  direction = 1,
  album = "Lover",
  values = NULL,
  space = "Lab",
  na.value = "grey50",
  guide = "coloursteps",
  aesthetics = "fill"
)

```

### Arguments

...	Other arguments passed on to <code>ggplot2::discrete_scale()</code> , <code>ggplot2::continuous_scale()</code> , or <code>ggplot2::binned_scale()</code> to control name, limits, breaks, labels and so forth.
alpha	The alpha transparency, a number in [0,1], see argument alpha in <a href="#">hsv</a> .
begin	The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap begins.
end	The (corrected) hue in [0,1] at which the viridis colormap ends.
direction	Sets the order of colors in the scale. If 1, the default, colors are ordered from darkest to lightest. If -1, the order of colors is reversed.
album	A character string indicating the album that should be used for the palette.
aesthetics	Character string or vector of character strings listing the name(s) of the aesthetic(s) that this scale works with. This can be useful, for example, to apply colour settings to the colour and fill aesthetics at the same time, via <code>aesthetics = c("colour", "fill")</code> .
values	if colours should not be evenly positioned along the gradient this vector gives the position (between 0 and 1) for each colour in the colours vector. See <a href="#">rescale()</a> for a convenience function to map an arbitrary range to between 0 and 1.

space	colour space in which to calculate gradient. Must be "Lab" - other values are deprecated.
na.value	Missing values will be replaced with this value.
guide	A function used to create a guide or its name. See <a href="#">guides()</a> for more information.

## Value

A color scale for use in plots created with `ggplot2::ggplot()`.

## Examples

```
# use taylor_d with discrete data
library(ggplot2)
(p <- ggplot(taylor_album_songs, aes(x = valence, y = energy)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = mode_name), size = 2) +
  theme_bw())
p + scale_color_taylor_d()

# change scale label
p + scale_fill_taylor_d("Mode of Track")

# select album palette to use, see ?taylor::album_palettes for more details
lover <- subset(taylor_album_songs, album_name == "Lover")
(p <- ggplot(lover, aes(x = valence, y = track_name)) +
  geom_col(aes(fill = track_name)) +
  theme_minimal())
p + scale_fill_taylor_d(album = "Lover")
p + scale_fill_taylor_d(album = "evermore")

# use taylor_c with continuous data
(p <- ggplot(taylor_album_songs, aes(valence, energy)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = danceability)) +
  theme_minimal())
p + scale_color_taylor_c(album = "Fearless")
p + scale_color_taylor_c(album = "folklore")
```

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scale\_fill\_albums

*Taylor Swift colour scale for album comparisons*

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## Description

A convenience wrapper for comparing albums with color. In contrast to [scale\\_fill\\_taylor\\_d\(\)](#) and [scale\\_colour\\_taylor\\_d\(\)](#), [scale\\_fill\\_albums\(\)](#) and [scale\\_colour\\_albums\(\)](#) use a single palette, with one color per album. Specifically, the [album\\_compare](#) palette is used to apply a color associated with each album.



**Usage**

```

scale_fill_albums(
  ...,
  aesthetics = "fill",
  breaks = waiver(),
  limits = force,
  na.value = NA
)

scale_colour_albums(
  ...,
  aesthetics = "colour",
  breaks = waiver(),
  limits = force,
  na.value = NA
)

scale_color_albums(
  ...,
  aesthetics = "colour",
  breaks = waiver(),
  limits = force,
  na.value = NA
)

```

**Arguments**

...	Other arguments to be passed to <code>ggplot2::discrete_scale()</code>
aesthetics	The names of the aesthetics that this scale works with.
breaks	One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NULL for no breaks</li> <li>• <code>waiver()</code> for the default breaks (the scale limits)</li> <li>• A character vector of breaks</li> <li>• A function that takes the limits as input and returns breaks as output</li> </ul>
limits	One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NULL to use the default scale values</li> <li>• A character vector that defines possible values of the scale and their order</li> <li>• A function that accepts the existing (automatic) values and returns new ones</li> </ul>
na.value	If <code>na.translate = TRUE</code> , what aesthetic value should the missing values be displayed as? Does not apply to position scales where NA is always placed at the far right.

**Value**

A color scale for use in plots created with `ggplot2::ggplot()`.

## Examples

```
library(ggplot2)
studio <- subset(taylor_albums, !is.na(metacritic_score))

# create a plot that we want to color or fill by album
ggplot(studio, aes(x = metacritic_score, y = album_name)) +
  geom_col(aes(fill = album_name))

# apply a color inspired by each album cover
ggplot(studio, aes(x = metacritic_score, y = album_name)) +
  geom_col(aes(fill = album_name)) +
  scale_fill_albums()

# even when the axis or levels are rearranged, the correct color is applied
studio$album_name <- factor(studio$album_name, levels = album_levels)
ggplot(studio, aes(x = metacritic_score, y = album_name)) +
  geom_col(aes(fill = album_name)) +
  scale_fill_albums()
```

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taylor\_albums

*Data for Taylor Swift's studio albums and EPs*

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## Description

A data set containing the names of Taylor's official releases, the album type, and release date.

## Usage

```
taylor_albums
```

## Format

A [tibble](#) with 12 rows and 4 variables:

- `album_name`: The name of the album. NA if the song was released separately from one of Taylor's studio albums or EPs.
- `ep`: Logical. Is the album a full studio album (FALSE) or an extended play (TRUE).
- `album_release`: The date the album was released, in the ISO-8601 format (YYYY-MM-DD).
- `metacritic_score`: The official album rating from metacritic.

## Details

This data set includes all official studio albums and EPs with new tracks. This means that compilations or EPs that are a subset of the original albums are not included (e.g., *folklore: the escapism chapter*, *folklore: the sleepless nights chapter*, etc.)

**Source**

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taylor\\_Swift\\_albums\\_discography](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taylor_Swift_albums_discography)

<https://www.metacritic.com/person/taylor-swift>

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taylor_album_songs	<i>Data for songs on Taylor Swift's official studio albums</i>
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**Description**

A data set containing lyrics to and characteristics of songs on all of Taylor's official studio albums. Thus, this is a subset of [taylor\\_all\\_songs](#), with EPs and individual singles excluded. Critically, this subset also only includes versions owned by Taylor when possible, because we stan artists owning their own work. This means that although both *Fearless* and *Fearless (Taylor's Version)* appear in full [taylor\\_all\\_songs](#) data, only *Fearless (Taylor's Version)* appears in this subset. This also means that this data set will change as additional re-releases are made available (i.e., *Red* will soon be replaced with *Red (Taylor's Version)*).

**Usage**

taylor\_album\_songs

**Format**

A [tibble](#) with 163 rows and 29 variables. This is a subset of the [taylor\\_all\\_songs](#) data set. Please see that documentation for a complete description of all the included fields.

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taylor_all_songs	<i>Data for Taylor Swift songs</i>
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**Description**

A data set containing lyrics to and characteristics of all officially released Taylor Swift songs. This includes albums, EPs, and individually released singles.

**Usage**

taylor\_all\_songs

**Format**

A **tibble** with 214 rows and 29 variables. Each row is one song.

- **album\_name**: The name of the album. NA if the song was released separately from one of Taylor's studio albums or EPs.
- **ep**: Logical. Is the album a full studio album (FALSE) or an extended play (TRUE).
- **album\_release**: The date the album was released, in the ISO-8601 format (YYYY-MM-DD).
- **track\_number**: The order of the song on the album or EP.
- **track\_name**: The name of the song.
- **artist**: The name of the song artist. Usually Taylor Swift, but will show other artists for songs that Taylor is only featured on.
- **featuring**: Any artists that are featured on the track.
- **bonus\_track**: Logical. Is the track only present on a deluxe edition of the album (TRUE) or is does it also appear on the standard version (FALSE).
- **promotional\_release**: The date the song was released as a promotional single, in the ISO-8601 format (YYYY-MM-DD).. NA if the song was never released as a promotional single.
- **single\_release**: The date the song was released as an official single, in the ISO-8601 format (YYYY-MM-DD). NA if the song was never released as an official single.
- **track\_release**: The date the song was first publicly released. This is the earliest of **album\_release**, **promotional\_release**, and **single\_release**.

The next set of variables come from the Spotify API. See the documentation at <https://developer.spotify.com/documentation/web-api/reference/> for complete details.

- **danceability**: How suitable a track is for dancing. 0.0 = least danceable, 1.0 = most danceable.
- **energy**: Perceptual measure of intensity and activity. 0.0 = least energy, 1.0 = most energy.
- **key**: The key the track is in. Integer maps to standard Pitch Class notation.
- **loudness**: Loudness of track in decibels (dB), averaged across the track.
- **mode**: Modality of a track (major/minor). 0 = minor, 1 = major.
- **speechiness**: The presence of spoken words in a track. Values above 0.66 indicate that the track is probably made entirely of spoken words. Values between 0.33 and 0.66 indicate both music and speech. Values less than 0.33 indicate the track is probably music or other non-speech tracks.
- **acousticness**: Confidence that the track is acoustic. 0.0 = low confidence, 1.0 = high confidence.
- **instrumentalness**: Confidence that the track is an instrumental track (i.e., no vocals). 0.0 = low confidence, 1.0 = high confidence.
- **liveness**: Confidence that the track is a live recording (i.e., an audience is present). 0.0 = low confidence, 1.0 = high confidence.
- **valence**: Musical positiveness conveyed by the track. 0.0 = low valence (e.g., sad, depressed, angry), 1.0 = high valence (e.g., happy, cheerful, euphoric).
- **tempo**: Estimated tempo of the track in beats per minute (BPM).

- `time_signature`: Estimated overall time signature.
- `duration_ms`: Duration of the track in milliseconds.
- `explicit`: Logical. Does the track contain explicit lyrics (TRUE) or not (FALSE).

Finally, the last set of variables include those calculated from the Spotify API data, and a list column containing song lyrics.

- `key_name`: Corresponds directly to the key, but the integer is converted to the key name using Pitch Class notation (e.g., 0 becomes C).
- `mode_name`: Corresponds directly to the mode, but the integer is converted to the mode name (e.g., 0 becomes minor).
- `key_mode`: A combination of the `key_name` and `mode_name` variables (e.g., C minor).
- `lyrics`: A list column containing the lyrics to each song. Each element is a data frame with 4 variables:
  - `line`: The line number of the song.
  - `lyric`: The lyric for the given line.
  - `element`: The element of the song the line and lyric belong to, as defined by <https://genius.com/> (e.g., Verse 1, Chorus, etc.).
  - `element_artist`: The artist performing the element. Usually Taylor Swift, but other artists appear if they are featured on the track (e.g., HAIM is featured on *No Body, No Crime*).

## Details

Lyrics come from Genius, and songs characteristics come from the Spotify API. Some data is known to be missing. The Beautiful Eyes EP is not available on any streaming service, and therefore has no data from the Spotify API. Similarly, the song *American Girl*, a cover of the Tom Petty original, was released exclusively on Rhapsody (now Napster), and therefore also does not have data from the Spotify API.

For songs released separately from Taylor’s official albums or EPs, album information is not included. For example, *I Don’t Wanna Live Forever* was released as part of the *Fifty Shades Darker* movie soundtrack. However, the `album_name` column for this song is NA, indicating that it does not appear on one of Taylor’s albums.

Songs are only included one time. For example, if a song appears on both the standard and deluxe version of an album, there is only one record of the song in the data set. Similarly, compilations are not included. For example, following the release of *folklore*, Taylor released several EPs that were subsets of the original *folklore* album (e.g., *folklore: the escapism chapter*, *folklore: the sleepless nights chapter*, etc.). These are not included. Finally, all bonus tracks (with the exception of voice memos or similar) are included; however, for consistency, the album name is always the shortened, common name. For example, *the lakes* is a bonus track from *folklore (deluxe edition)*, but the `album_name` is listed only as *folklore*. The `bonus_track` variable can be used to determine which songs appeared on the standard version of an album vs. a deluxe or platinum edition.

## Source

<https://genius.com/artists/Taylor-swift>

<https://open.spotify.com/artist/06HL4z0CvFAxyc27GXpf02>

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title_case	<i>Convert string to title case</i>
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**Description**

Capitalize the first letter of each word, and convert the remaining string to lower case.

**Usage**

```
title_case(string)
```

**Arguments**

string	String to modify.
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**Value**

A character string with the first letter of each word capitalized.

**Examples**

```
title_case("taylor swift")  
title_case("Taylor Swift")  
title_case("TAYLOR SWIFT")
```

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