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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 11 Feb 2004 14:53:56 GMT

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Posted by [Valerio Pace](#) on Wed, 11 Feb 2004 15:47:47 GMT

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That's all,  
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Yes, almost all roads leading to "color" end in disappointment. :-)

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Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Wed, 11 Feb 2004 20:33:07 GMT  
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You have tried widget\_label but it doesn't give the coloring you want.  
Could Widget\_Text work instead? Choosing Editable=1 or Editable=0 (the  
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In Windows, the colors that IDL uses for widgets are all controlled by  
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Hope this helps!

Cheers,

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-Dick

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Subject: Re: modify widget base colour  
Posted by [Valerio Pace](#) on Thu, 12 Feb 2004 10:41:49 GMT  
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Thank you, Dick.  
I will use your second solution!

Cheers  
Valerio

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