

## ✕ □ Labels ≡

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Nothing you couldn't have done the hard way

Labels is After Effects script that takes full control over Label Colors - set label colors and select label groups with a single button click. Works both for composition and project panel items.

Themes brings power to After Effects to switch Label Colors at any time without the need to restart application. Try different Labels colors, assignments, and save them to file to share with the team. Additionally, download Themes and custom script Snippets from [aescrpts.com](https://aescrpts.com) to give your timeline a facelift.

## Installation

1. Unpack the archive you have downloaded and copy/paste files (both "Labels.jsx" and "Labels Help.pdf") to "ScriptUI Panels" folder:

- Windows: [Program Files\Adobe\Adobe After Effects <version>\Support Files\Scripts](#)

- Mac OS: [Applications/Adobe After Effects <version>/Scripts](#)

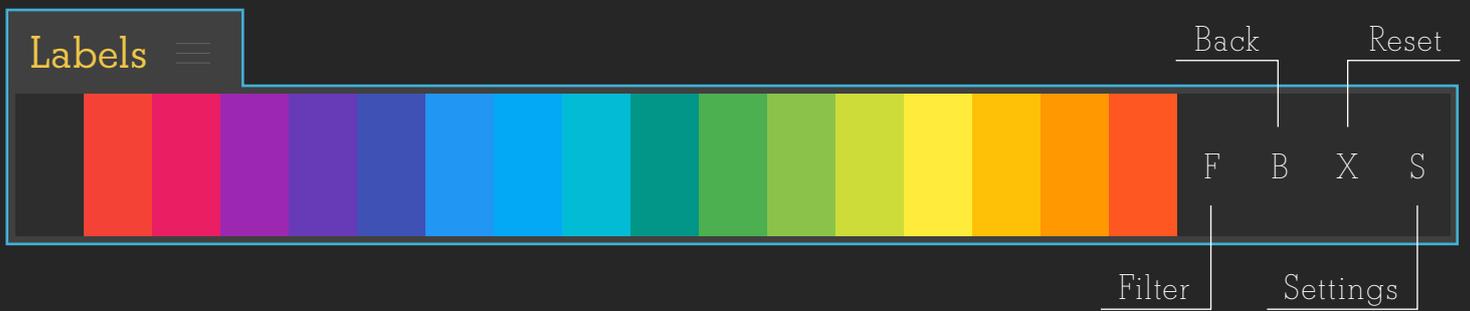
If folder [ScriptUI Panels](#) does not exist, create a folder and name it "ScriptUI Panels". Then paste the copied files into it.

2. Allow script to access network to avoid unnecessary problems while loading GUI. This option is under [General](#) tab of After Effects [Preference](#) pane:

- Windows: [Edit > Preferences > General](#)

- Mac: [After Effects > Preferences > General](#)

Once installation is finished run the script by clicking [Window > Labels](#)



## Interface

Interface is as simple as it gets. Each color swatch represents a label color.

Note: Script works with custom label colors as well.

Filter (F):

- shows which labels are used in the current composition or the project panel.
- ALT + click shows unused label colors.

Back (B) brings all available color swatches to the UI.

Reset (X) sets layers / items default label color.

Settings (S):

- opens up Settings window for changing Label Theme and customising keyboard combination.

- SHIF + click - reloads interface. Required when you change label colors or names in AE Preferences.

- CMD + click - opens Custom Labels Shortcuts Editor

## Labels Settings

Label Theme: Material

Save Delete Import Export

Designer: Someone at Google  
URL: <https://material.io>

Fixed Swatch Size 15 15

Show Label Name in Tooltip

Show Filter Buttons

Select Locked Layers

Set / Reset Color none

Affect Layer & Item cmd

Select Layers/Items shift

Append to Selection shift + cmd

Select All Except alt

Remove from Selection shift + alt

Open Swatch Editor e

Open Custom Shortcuts Editor

[Label Theme](#) - select available Label Themes from the list.

[Save](#) - saves current Label Preferences to the theme.

[Delete](#) - deletes theme from the dropdown list.

[Import](#) - imports theme file and adds it to the list.

[Export](#) - exports selected theme from the list.

[Fixed Swatch Size](#) - swatch size in fixed mode.

[Show Label Name in Tooltip](#) - toggle tooltip visibility.

[Show Filter Buttons](#) - toggles visibility of F and B buttons in Labels UI.

[Select Locked Layers](#) - toggles locked layer selection.

[Set / Reset color](#) - set layer or label color.

[Affect layer & item](#) - sets same label color to layer and source item.

[Select layers/items](#) - select same label color.

[Append to selection](#) - adds current label color to selection.

[Select all except](#) - selects all layers/items except current label color.

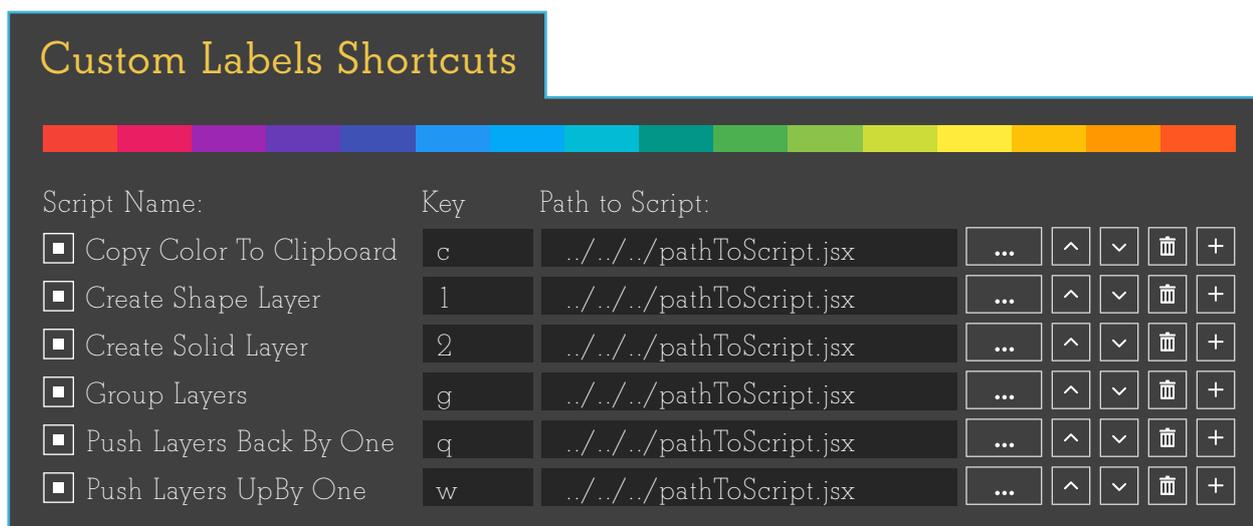
[Remove from selection](#) - removes current label color from selection.

[Open Swatch Editor](#) - opens Swatch Editor interface.

[Open Custom Shortcuts Editor](#) - opens interface to extend Labels functionality by hooking custom script snippets to keyboard shortcuts.

Use modifiers keys (shift, cmd, alt) or keyboard key name (q, w, e, r, t, y etc) to set keyboard shortcut. To mix shortcuts with both modifiers and key name, always use "+" as a separator: "shift + cmd + e", "alt + e". Character cases and spaces between "+" are ignored: "SHIFT+E" is totally fine.

You can combine modifier keys together, however, only one key name is allowed: i.e. "shift + e + r" or "shift + cmd + e + r" will not work.



Similar to KBar or FT-Toolbar Labels 3 can be used as a simple script launcher. Simply assign custom keyboard key and a path to the script and click on swatch to execute the script.

This option opens a gateway to extend Labels functionality and build upon what's already implemented in the script.

Labels script exposes following API:

- index (Number) label index,
- hex (String) label HEX color,
- rgb (Array) label RGB color [0-255, 0-255, 0-255],
- name (String) label name

Please investigate default script snippets that ship with Labels 3 to learn how to harvest this data and build your own extensions.

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