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1. Introduction

What is lolibrary?

Lolibrary is an data base and reference guide that archives and documents clothing and novelty items related to the lolita fashion subculture.

Founded in 2010 over the past 15 years nearly 100 thousand items have been documented by volunteers and fashion enthusist. It went from a group of small contributors to being a global resource for many people around the world who love the fashion.

It is entirely ran by volunteers both in the developer and contributor roles. The non-profit is consistently looking to update and document new items and is easy to volunteer for through making a free online account or making a donation.

Why we do this

Lolibrary started as a data base for documenting clothing. It serves many purposes including documenting a user's personal closet, creating wishlist, identifying items, and searching for items that a user might want to track down later.

Lolita clothing is often considered a collectors item, certian years, fabrics and brands are priced differently on release and on resale could be missing items. When a person is investing in a collectors piece they may want to make sure that accessories that were originally with the item on purchase are there when a reseller is listing an item as "like new" or "complete" it works as a great way for people to know what they are truly purchasing and then convieniently easy to move from the viewing page into the wishlist or closet tabs

Lolitas also find enjoyment in knowing the details on items not yet released or in advertisments. Lolita is a slow fashion full of people who want to have curated closets. Many items were released in old magazines or special events and people like to know the details of such rare items and by having an easy way to contribute any user with a rare or undocumented item can create a new entry which is then reviewed by higher ranking "lolibrarians"





2.Logo

The Lolibrary logo is composed of a book within a rose, a nod to the original design and logo being a rose, the book was added as a reflection of the database and librarian message of the non-profit group. The image is designed to be displayed on webpages but it also on Lolibrary's printed material when they host events and panels

In this section we will discuss the correct and incorrect uses for the Lolibrary logo, and the ways to brand it.

Colors







Black White on black

Colored

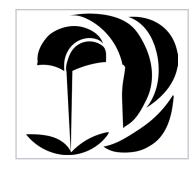
Correct Uses















The Lolibrary logo is to be displayed as solid colors with negative space, when using more than one color, it is limited to 2 (two) colors, the darker of which must be on the section where the book's spine would be. Only brand colors may be used.

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InCorrect Uses







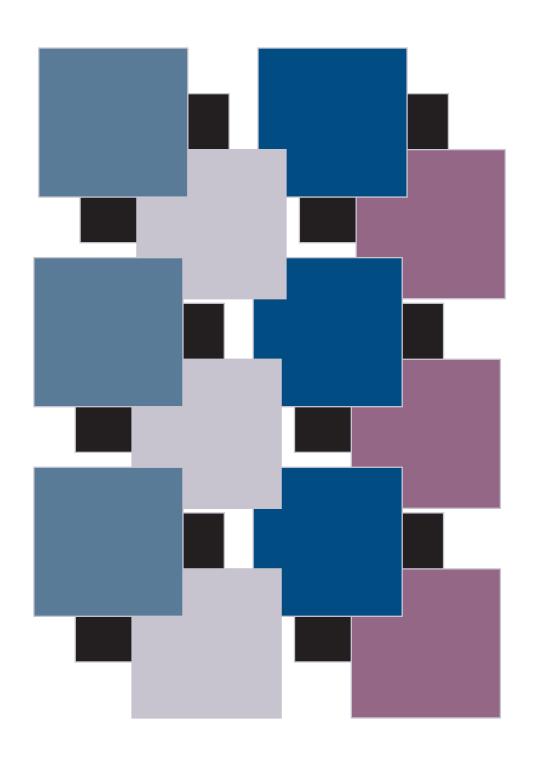








The Lolibrary logo must not have a texture, have a shadow, become scewed or rotated. Can not be presented in non-brand colors, have an outline, be in a gradient, or be mirrored.



3. Color System

The Color scheme for Lolibrary was derived from the original site colors along with some based off of other lolita fashion icons like the Gothic Lolita Bible's heavy use of purple, or the founder of Gothic Lolita brand Moi-Meme-Moitie Mana-Sama's favorite color being blue.

Primary Color Pallete



COFFIN

Hex #000000

CMYK 0%0%0%100%

RGB 0,0,0

Pantone: Black



Iron Gate

Hex #C5C3D3

CMYK 7%8%0%17%

RGB 197, 195, 211

Pantone: 5305 U



Angel

Hex #ffffff

CMYK 0%0%0%0%

RGB 255, 255, 255

Pantone: White

Secondary Color Pallete

LJournal

Hex #557F95

CMYK 43%15%0%42%

RGB 85,127,149

Pantone: 5415C

Victoria

Hex #817BA8

CMYK 23%27%0%34%

RGB 129, 123, 168

Pantone: 667 U

Mana

Hex #014CA0

CMYK 99%52%0%37%

RGB 1, 76, 166

Pantone: 19-4150TCX

GLB

Hex #8C549F

CMYK 12%47%0%38%

RGB 140, 84, 159

Pantone: 2081C

IJKLMN PQRST WXYZA CDEFGHI KLMNOP

4. Type System

Lolibrary primarily being a website requires the use of fonts, these fonts must be legible but also have the whimsy that lolita fashion inheritly has.



Regular

Used for headers

Uppercase

Lowercase

Regular

Used for paragraphs and descriptions

Uppercase

Lowercase

Italics

Used for sidenotes

Bold Used for descriptor titles

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Book Antiqua

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Item Info

Released in 2004

Product number: 128 422

Originally listed for ¥12,390.00

Submitted by azuki-mikan

Published on 22nd Feb 2024, 03:34 UTC

Bust

77-90 cm

Length

43 cm

Material

100% cotton

Notes

[Official colorways]

- Black x black lace
- Black × offwhite lace
- Ivory × ivory lace
- Offwhite × offwhite lace
- Pink × offwhite lace
- Sax × offwhite lace

[Brand comment] There is boning in the pieced areas of the camisole. It feels like you're wearing a corset. 前後身頃の切り替え部分にボーンをたたいています。 コルセットをつけている気分になります。

Many brands that produce lolits clothing items are from Japan, thus many names are only available in Japanese. Book Antiqua is vital to use in descriptions due to it's availabilty to ease of visual look next to the japanese typeface.

In the picture to the left is an example of how an item description woould look on the actual website

Details like which user submitted details would be in italics to signify it is not important to the actual item



5. Grid System

The grid system on Lolibrary is a 4 by 3 grid to deal with the both vertical and horizontal views lolibrary would need to utilize on their website both for mobile and desktop

Grid Displayed

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ミソール¥12,390/BAB ,THE	- Pink × offwhite lace - Sax × offwhite lace	
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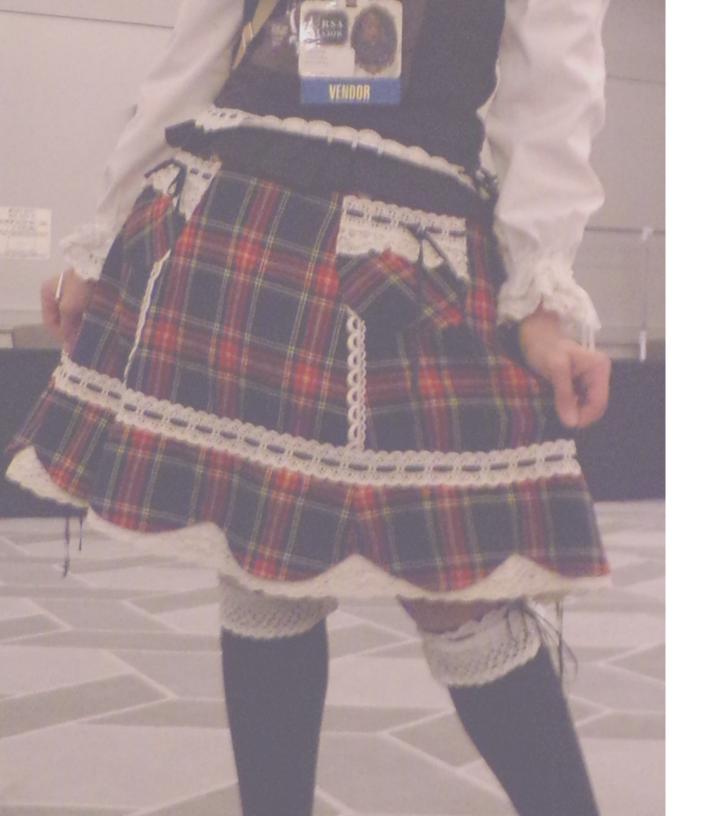
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6. Imagery

The Imagery of Lolibrary is supposed to reflect the community that helps run it, pictures of users and volunteers in fun and vibrant settings



















The imagery in used in Lolibrary's promotional photos, to be presented on materials such as instagram post, brochures and presentations at events should include members of the community and have as natural of a lighting as possible



7.Conclusion

Parpose

Lolibrary is a database with a wide range of users and purposes, it continues to grow as the internet becomes more integral to our lives. As the website grows and the nonprofit continues to extend to in person activities its design must evolve.

Users of the site are often the ones editing the look and devoloping the actual website and its important there is an easy reference for the users to keep a cohesive look/

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