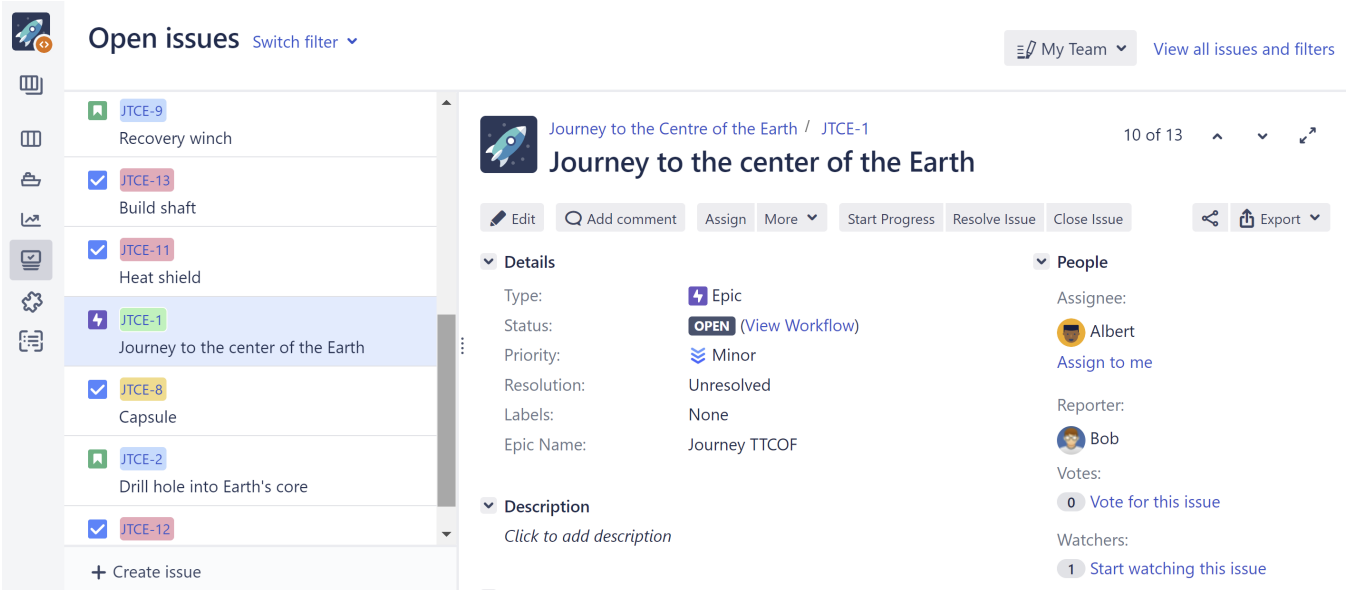# Colors for Jira User Guide

Colors for Jira provides JQL-based color highlighting for enhanced issue navigation.
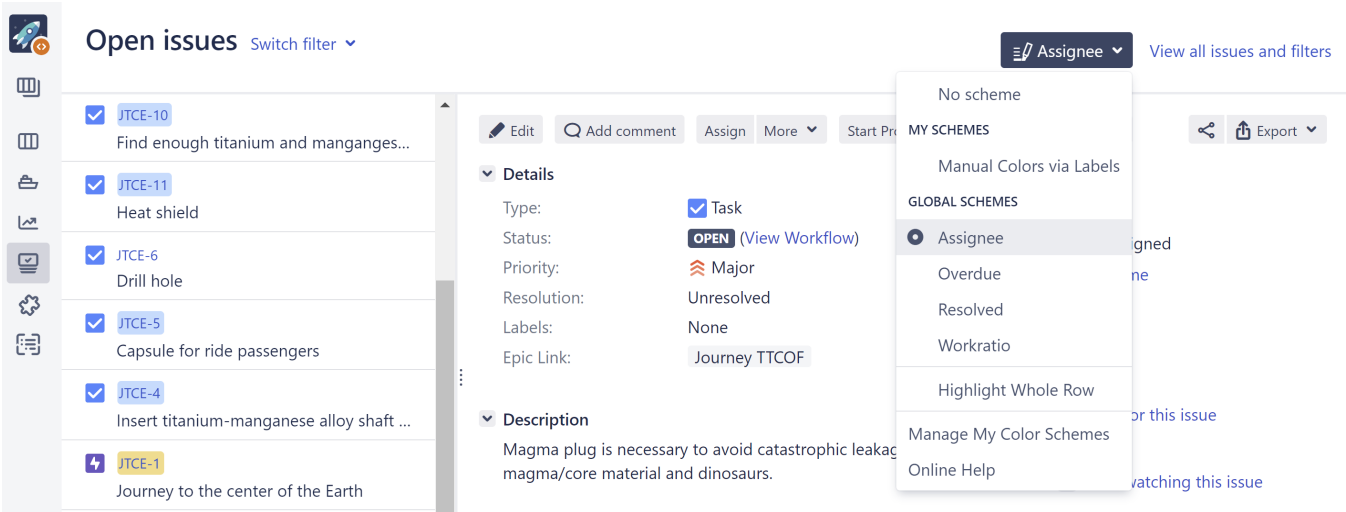

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Apply a Color Scheme

Colors for Jira adds a dropdown menu to Jira pages. To apply a color scheme to that page, open the menu and select the desired theme:

The dropdown menu shows either the name of the currently selected scheme, or 'No scheme' when none is applied.

The contents of the dropdown is split into two sections: 'My Schemes' and 'Global Schemes'.

- 'My Schemes' are the schemes defined by you, the current user, which are not visible to anyone else
- 'Global Schemes' are set by Jira admins, and are shared with everyone

Managing color schemes

To add new color schemes or edit existing schemes:

- My Schemes - From the Colors for Jira dropdown menu, select 'Manage My Colors'
- Global Schemes- Go to Administration | Manage Apps, and then under the Colors menu on the left-hand side, select **Manage Colors**. Administrative permissions are required to edit global schemes.

The color schemes editor is the same for user color schemes and global color schemes. You can create new color schemes or update existing ones.

Manage My Color Schemes

 Online Help

COLOR SCHEMES

Manual Colors via Labels

Add Color Scheme

Manual Colors via Labels

Rename   Delete

Coloring rules

The color of an issue is defined by the first matching rule
Click an existing rule to edit it

Color	JQL Query	
	labels = green	🗑
	labels = blue	🗑
	labels = red	🗑
	labels = yellow	🗑

Add Coloring Rule

Each coloring rule consists of a JQL query and a color. The dialog only accepts valid JQL queries:

Edit Coloring Rule   ✕

JQL Query ✓   `duedate < now()`

Type your query in the JIRA Query Language format.

Color* ▼

Choose a color for the highlighting.

Save   **Close**

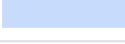
You can change the order of coloring rules by dragging a rule to a new location:
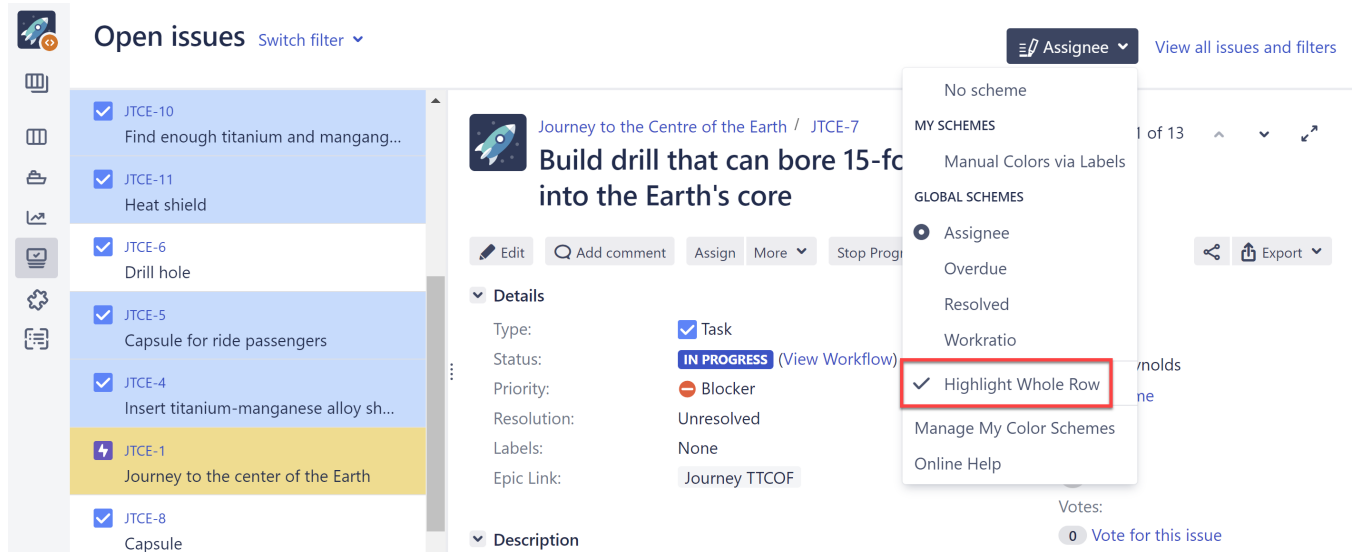
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Highlight Whole Row Mode

By default, Colors for Jira places a small colored tag around issue keys. You can also choose to highlight entire rows:

To change from one mode to the other, toggle the **Highlight Whole Row** option in the dropdown menu. The selected coloring mode applies to all Jira pages.

Supported views

Colors for Jira supports the following pages:

1. Issue Navigator (List View, Detail View)
2. Agile Board (Active Sprints, Backlog, Structure)
3. ServiceDesk (Queues view, Structure)
4. Structure (requires Structure for Jira)
5. Dashboard Gadgets
   a. Assigned to me
   b. Filter result
   c. Issues in progress
   d. Voted issues
   e. Watched issues