

Signal – Graphite & Rose Accent System

A calm graphite UI system with a single rose accent for primary actions and status, designed for long, distraction-a

1. Design goals

- Calm, low-noise surfaces for longer focused work.
- One clear primary path per screen.
- Accessible typography and spacing for varied attention profiles.
- Explicit privacy and data-use communication.
- Light and dark themes with consistent meaning.

2. Colour system

2.1 Base palette

Light theme:

- `--page`: `#F6F4F5` – main background.
- `--page-accent`: `#ECE6E8` – soft vignette and depth.
- `--surface`: `#FFFFFF` – cards and dialogs.
- `--surface-alt`: `#F1EDF0` – inputs and secondary regions.
- `--surface-strong`: `#E1D5DA` – selected and highlighted panels.
- `--text`: `#252428` – primary text.
- `--muted`: `#6F6A74` – secondary text.
- `--border`: `#D3C6CC` – subtle borders.
- `--primary`: `#C05179` – main action and brand.
- `--primary-hover`: `#A34266` – hovered primary.
- `--secondary`: `#E4D6DD` – optional actions and structure.
- `--secondary-hover`: `#D5C3CC` – hovered secondary.
- `--accent-soft`: `#B5828C` – dusty-rose accent.
- `--accent-soft-alt`: `#8E6A73` – deeper rose for emphasis.
- `--success`: `#5E8C76` – non-intrusive success.
- `--danger`: `#A65A66` – warm danger.
- `--focus`: `rgba(192, 81, 121, 0.35)` – focus ring.

Dark theme mirrors these roles with deeper graphite and brighter rose:

- `--page`: `#040506` – main dark background.
- `--page-accent`: `#0B0C10` – depth.
- `--surface`: `#121218` – cards and dialogs.
- `--surface-alt`: `#1C1B24` – inputs and secondary regions.
- `--surface-strong`: `#2B2733` – selected and highlighted.
- `--text`: `#F5F3F6` – primary text.
- `--muted`: `#BBB1C2` – secondary text.
- `--border`: `#443C4A` – borders.
- `--primary`: `#DC6A92` – main action and brand.
- `--primary-hover`: `#C4547C` – hovered primary.
- `--secondary`: `#3C3240` – optional actions and structure.
- `--secondary-hover`: `#4A3E4F` – hovered secondary.
- `--accent-soft`: `#C492A0` – dusty-rose accent.
- `--accent-soft-alt`: `#9A6F7E` – deeper rose.
- `--success`: `#7FA891` – success.
- `--danger`: `#C77783` – danger.
- `--focus`: `rgba(220, 106, 146, 0.55)` – focus ring.