## Miscellaneous

## **Sexual Coloration\***

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Researchers have studies to isolate color's role in sex attraction for some times. Human dress s' colors are examples.

Many bird species sport colors that attract mates, and rhesus macaques are one of the few mammal species that do.







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Rhesus macaques' courtship act by face colors, which varies from pale pink to deep red in the species, that affect reproductive success (see illustrative pictures). Dark red-faced males got more propositions, from more females, than medium-or pale-colored males did. Also, for reproductive success –

number of offspring-dark red-faced females outdo paler ones.

To appraise color's role in attraction in sex appealing, it is the same in animals as with humans, i.e. seeing someone attractive, your eyes will linger a little longer.