

# getting random background colors in ssh xterm through gnome shortcut

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Hi,

At school I have my .fvnrc2 file in which I have these kind of lines:

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exec xterm -sl 2048 -ls -bg \#`printf '%02x%02x%02x' $((RANDOM%31+224)) $((RANDOM%31+224)) $((RANDOM%31+224))` -e ssh remote.host.com
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to get an xterm windows at remote.host.com. The random light colored background is obtained with \#`printf '%02x%02x%02x' \$((RANDOM%31+224)) \$((RANDOM%31+224)) \$((RANDOM%31+224))`

I was wondering, how do I get the same thing in gnome at my home machine running Debian Testing (2.6.12 kernel). I tried to make a custom application launcher on the panel but the command to get random background doesn't work. Any ideas what I should do instead?

thanks,  
->HS

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