bright ideas



These blossoms made from Resene wallpaper left over after decorating will mean your décor will be blooming gorgeous, no matter the season.

You will need:

- Plain paper
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Wallpaper offcuts, we used Resene Wallpaper Collection 91310 for the petals and Resene Wallpaper Collection M30602 for the stamen
- Hot glue gun
- Resene drop cloth
- Resene Woodsman Dark Oak
- Paintbrush
- Rag
- Branches or large twigs plum tree or apple blossom branches work well for this project
- Download our printable template at www.habitatbyresene.com/flowers

Step 1: Cut out the wallpaper template onto thick card. Put your template onto your wallpaper, selecting an area with interesting colours and patterns. Trace around the wallpaper with a pencil and cut it out.

Step 2: Cut a straight line between two petals into the flower's centre.

Step 3: Using a hot glue gun, apply glue around the edges of the right-hand petal next to the cut line. Take the petal on the left-hand side of the cut line and place it over the top of the petal on the right, pressing down to seal together. Your flower should now have five petals.

Step 4: Curl the petal edges wrapping them over a pencil.

Step 5: To create the flower stamen, measure and cut a 40mm x 70mm rectangle of wallpaper, we used Resene Wallpaper Collection M30602. Cut straight lines down the long end of the rectangle to form thin strips, leaving a 1cm gap at the edge of the paper.

Step 6: Roll the wallpaper into a tube shape, making sure that the underside (white side) of wallpaper is on the outside. The hole in the middle should be about the width of a pencil. Secure with a small blob of glue. **Step 7:** Splay the stamen out with your fingers and gently fold forward the tips of each thin strip to reveal tiny segments of white. You can use a pencil to help you do this.

Step 8: Use a hot glue gun to glue the stamen to the centre of the petals.

Step 9: Using a small paintbrush, apply Resene Woodsman Dark Oak to each branch. Leave to partially dry and then rub off slightly with a soft rag.

Step 10: Using a hot glue gun, apply a blob of glue to the base of each flower and attach it to the branches. Tip: It's easiest to position the flowers on the branches when they're standing upright in a vase.

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top tip

Use whatever Resene wallpaper you have left over from your wallpapering project to make your own wallpaper flowers.

These paper blooms are no shrinking violets. Flowers made from offcuts of Resene Wallpaper Collection 91310 with stamen in Resene Wallpaper Collection M30602 and branches stained in Resene Woodsman Dark Oak. Wall painted in Resene Breathless (top) and Resene Duck Egg Blue (bottom), table in Resene Papier Mache and vase in Resene Quarter Spanish White.

















Resene

Breathless

