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Left: Soothing shades and natural finishes are two trends that work well together. Wall in Resene Breathless (top half) and Resene Duck Egg Blue (lower half), floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, skirting board in Resene Breathless, rattan pendant in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, bedside table and bench in Resene Half Duck Egg Blue, planter in Resene Teal Blue and vase in Resene Undercurrent. Bedlinen, cushion and throw from Small Acorns.


 Resene Quarter Duck Egg Blue

 Resene Duck Egg Blue

 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

 Resene Half Duck Egg Blue

 Resene Undercurrent

 Resene Colorwood Whitewash



welcome

Over the past few years, we've been spending much more time at home – and it's become clearer than ever what an effect our decorating can have on our mood and psyche. If you've decided your white walls are boring, that things are starting to feel stale or your design no longer meets you and your family's needs or priorities, it's time for a new look. But what if you're not sure where to start?


Whether you're building new, moving or simply looking to redecorate your home to better suit your personality and lifestyle, we've rounded up the best of the best paint and decorating ideas in this *habitat plus* to help inspire your next project. Sorted by mood and theme, it's easy to find Resene paint colours, wood stains and wallpaper designs to suit every style and taste. Adapt the ideas and colour combinations to suit your own quick weekend refresh, a new feature to indulge your favourite Resene colours or a total home makeover.

We hope this *habitat plus* will help inspire creative ideas of your own. We'd love to see what you create – and perhaps your creativity might be just the clever idea someone else needs to get inspired to start their own decorating project.

Happy decorating!

The Resene and habitat teams

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slow spaces



In an increasingly challenging and uncertain world, spaces where you can wind down, take a load off and minimise stress are more popular than ever. This shift towards making our homes into havens where we can shelter from the chaotic energy of everyday life has also influenced colour trends as we seek out comforting hues that are known for their calming qualities. Dusted blues, sea greens, creamy whites, petal pinks, mushroom mauves, cloudy greys and washed timber tones like Resene Inside Back, Resene Green Meets Blue, Resene Blanc, Resene Sakura, Resene In The Mauve, Resene Surrender and Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy are perfect for setting the tone in spaces where rest and recuperation are needed, which has increased demand for these gentle colours as more of us look to leverage their magic in our home sanctuaries. Endlessly interchangeable and so easy to love, these Resene hues leave the door wide open for you to customise your space with whatever soothes your soul.

Resene
Blanc

Resene
Sakura

Resene
Hot Toddy

Resene
Fountain Blue

Resene
In The Mauve

Resene
Surrender

Resene
Inside Back

Resene
Green Meets Blue

Left: Muted sunset and ocean tones invoke calm and relaxation. Wall painted in Resene Sakura, jug vase in Resene Fountain Blue and painted books in Resene Fountain Blue and Resene Hot Toddy. Chair from Cintesio, bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, artwork by Carmel Van Der Hoeven.

tuck into denim

Since your bedroom is the place you start and end your day, it makes sense to decorate it with colours that are gentle on the senses to help ease you into your day and wind down after it. Denim blues are among the easiest colours to live with and send a soothing message to your brain. Plus, their inherent greyed quality not only works well with our intense natural light but makes them even more recessive and restful than brighter, glassier blues. With walls in cosy Resene Rhino, a rich denim blue, this bedroom sets the tone for rest and rejuvenation. But to keep this deep colour from feeling too dominating or heavy, we've painted the floor in Resene Iron and added lightly coloured bedlinens for levity and balance. To dampen the contrast between your lightest and darkest hues, use mid-range tonal hues across key furniture and decorative accessories.

<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Midwinter Mist	<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Neutral Bay
<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Iron	<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Half New Denim Blue
<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Quarter Powder Blue	<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Rhino
<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Gull Grey	<input type="checkbox"/> Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

top tip









Paint furniture in Resene Lustacryl for a durable semi-gloss finish or Resene Enamacryl for a gloss finish.

Right: A floor-to-ceiling ombre batten headboard makes for a striking statement feature without overwhelming this gentle colour palette. Wall painted in Resene Rhino, battens in Resene Half New Denim Blue, Resene Neutral Bay, Resene Gull Grey and Resene Midwinter Mist and floor and pendant light in Resene Iron. Chest of drawers in Resene Gull Grey, bedside table in Resene Neutral Bay, bench seat in Resene Quarter Powder Blue and vases and accessories in Resene Half New Denim Blue, Resene Neutral Bay and Resene Rhino. Duvet and pillowcases from Foxtrot Home, blue cushion cover and rug from H&M Home, grey cushion covers from Adairs.



stratified slumber

When it comes to colours that are both universally liked and considered universally restful, blues simply can't be beaten. This serene bedroom features a range of tones right from a soft, shell white with a whisper of blue grey, Resene Barely There, through to deep and inky charcoal blue Resene Cinder. The look is all about layering those blue hues sky high to create depth and cosiness. To break things up, a few deliberate touches of dusty brick red in Resene Mocha provide complementary contrast to the greener tones of Resene Hermitage on the back left wall, deeper Resene Inside Back behind the bed and paler Resene Half Duck Egg Blue on the floor. A bedside table and a few small accessories in deep Resene Cinder play off the dark navy bedlinen to ground the space while the cosy rug and throw bring tactile comforts and the textured artwork and potted plants lend an organic touch.

 Resene Blanc	 Resene Hermitage
 Resene Mocha	 Resene Inside Back
 Resene Half Duck Egg Blue	 Resene Innocence
 Resene Duck Egg Blue	 Resene Cinder




top tip
Resene SpaceCote Flat is a durable and versatile paint that's ideal for bedrooms and living rooms.

Above: Combine soft, greyed blues with darker navy for depth and interest. Main wall and shelves in Resene Inside Back, back wall (at left) in Resene Hermitage, floor in Resene Half Duck Egg Blue, stool in Resene Cinder, DIY artwork in Resene EzyFill and painted in Resene Blanc, plant pots in Resene Duck Egg Blue (on floor) and Resene Cinder (on top shelf) and other painted accessories in Resene Mocha, Resene Half Duck Egg Blue, Resene Duck Egg Blue, Resene Innocence and Resene Blanc. Bedlinen, throw and lamp from Città.

trusty dusty blues

Relying on a tonal colour palette, where all the hues you use are from the same colour family, is one of the simplest approaches to guarantee decorating success. And by taking this approach with a palette of dusty, recessive blues like Resene Half Dusted Blue, Resene Quarter Powder Blue, Resene Dusted Blue, Resene Periglacial Blue, Resene Casper, Resene Shadowy Blue, Resene Avalanche and Resene Coast, you'll be certain that your space becomes a calming one. If you decide you want to carry this energy into other rooms of your home, these same dependable colours can be endlessly remixed across different surfaces to give each space its own distinct vibe to suit the room's individual purpose. When it's time to put your feet up, you'll be able to rest assured that your entire home feels unified and cohesive.

 Resene Surrender	 Resene Avalanche
 Resene Quarter Powder Blue	 Resene Shadowy Blue
 Resene Periglacial Blue	 Resene Coast
 Resene Casper	 Resene Indian Ink
 Resene Half Dusted Blue	 Resene Heathered Grey
 Resene Dusted Blue	 Resene Kina Brown

Below: Tonal layers are a simple way to connect different spaces together. Back wall and coffee table painted in Resene Half Dusted Blue, arch wall in Resene Coast, floor in Resene Surrender, pendant lamp in Resene Indian Ink and vases in Resene Heathered Grey and Resene Kina Brown. Sofa from Target Furniture, cushions and throw from H&M Home, artwork from Simply Creative.

Trend: archways
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coastal cocoon

Deep wall colours can be incredibly soothing, as their enveloping nature creates a protective, cocooning effect. They're ideal for restful spaces like bedrooms or media rooms, where less light is often better than too much. A combination of blue, green and grey tones such as Resene Bunting, Resene Streetwise and Resene Shady Lady reference the colours of the sea and coast bringing the vibe of your favourite beachside retreat home. Load up your bed or sofa with layers of soft and cosy textiles and you'll be left with a space you never want to leave.

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|  | Resene Shady Lady |  | Resene Takaka |
|  | Resene Streetwise |  | Resene Bunting |

Right: Wood panelling, a weathered finish on furniture pieces and use of natural fibres contribute to that relaxed holiday feeling suited to a coastal retreat. Back wall in Resene Bunting with tongue-and-groove headboard in Resene Takaka, left wall in Resene Streetwise, floor in Resene Shady Lady and jug vase in Resene Streetwise. Throw, duvet cover and basket from Citta, ottoman from Danske Møbler, rug and cushion from Mulberi, pillowcases from Foxtrot Home, bedside table and candleholder from Flotsam & Jetsam, Adrift painting by Selena Kitchen from Selena Kitchen Art.

Trend: contemporary classics
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top tip

Use a relaxing piece of artwork to set both the tone and palette for your space. Simply upload an image to the free online Resene Colour Palette Generator (www.resene.com/palettegenerator) to get a suggested colour palette to use to best complement your artwork.












a touch of texture

While you won't want to fill your slow-down space with too many wildly different colours or décor that shouts for attention, it's still important to create interest – and the best way to do that is with contrast. While bringing in colours in sharply contrasting values is one way to break things up, mixing in a few items that have different textures is a gentler option. Choose natural textures, like dried florals, woven linens and handmade pottery to contrast with your smooth painted surfaces. Try using warmer colours like dusty rose to accent cooler tones such as powder blues to create a contrast in visual temperature.

Left: Texture and pattern add drama to a muted colour palette. Walls in Resene Half Halcyon and floor, lamp base and vase in Resene Scotch Mist. Bedlinen and throw from Foxtrot Home, cushion from Baya, rug from Good Form, dried floral arrangement by Rose Rowan.


top tip

Create visual texture by varying the levels of sheen in your room. Paint walls in Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen and trims and vases in Resene Lustacryl semi-gloss.


-  Resene Concrete
-  Resene Half Halcyon
-  Resene Conch
-  Resene Juniper
-  Resene Thor
-  Resene Scotch Mist
-  Resene Gold Coast


sit and stay awhile


When you have an oddly shaped or sized space and you can't find quite the right furniture to fit, custom joinery like built-in banquets and bookshelves are a superb option. Not only will these fit your room in a literal sense, but you can also ask for them to be painted or stained in a Resene colour to perfectly coordinate with your wall, floor, ceiling and décor hues. In this restful reading nook Resene Duck Egg Blue with layers of accent colours in soothing green blue hues makes it the perfect place to curl up with a cuppa and a favourite read.


Resene Duck Egg Blue 

Right: The right colour choices on furniture can create a whole new sense of space and functionality. Walls and shelves in Resene Duck Egg Blue, floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, bench seat in Resene Colorwood Rising Tide - a blue green tinted timber wash that allows the wood's grain to show through, stool in Resene Colorwood Bask, wooden accessories in Resene Colorwood Rising Tide, Resene Colorwood Bask, Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy and Resene Colorwood Shade and painted accessories in Resene Thor, Resene Conch, Resene Green Meets Blue, Resene Juniper, Resene Gold Coast and Resene Concrete. Cushions from Leopold Hall, throw from Adairs, stool and rug from Mocka, mug from Sunday Homestore, shell ball from Home Collective.

 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

 Resene Colorwood Rising Tide

 Resene Colorwood Bask


 Resene Colorwood Shade





art appreciation


Visiting an art gallery or museum is a rejuvenating activity, but there's nothing stopping you from replicating that same experience in the comfort of your own home. Simple and clean yet warm and inviting, walls in Resene Cashmere, a soft suede with a hint of blush in its undertone, make for an elegant and refined base when combined with a light violet-grey floor in Resene Quarter Rakaia – one that's far more welcoming than a plain white. Rather than pricey and impossibly heavy granite plinths – which you might be hard-pressed to get inside your home – mimic the look of Carrera marble by painting fibreboard cylinders in two coats of Resene Alabaster before adding thin layers of mottling and veins with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Half Stack to create dedicated displays for your well-curated treasures.

Left: Opt for clean lines and a pared back palette for gallery-style sophistication. Walls and low bowl in Resene Cashmere, floor in Resene Quarter Rakaia, 'marble' plinths in Resene Alabaster with veining in Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Half Stack, books in Resene Half Stack, Resene Quarter Rakaia and Resene Alabaster and star ornament in Resene Nero. Chaise from David Shaw, candelabra from Slow Store, sculpture and rug from Bo Concept, shelving from Good Form.

 Resene Alabaster

 Resene Cashmere

 Resene Quarter Rakaia

 Resene Half Stack

 Resene Nero



Trend: texture
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natural healing

top tip

Create a textured wall by applying Resene Sandtex using a wide brush and criss-crossing brushstrokes.

For most of human history, our connection to nature was a given as our daily lives were intimately tied to the cycles of the sun, the seasons and the natural world around us. It's only in more recent times that we have started to earn a living, go shopping, enjoy endless entertainment and even socialise without ever leaving home. While convenient, this separation from nature may be taking a toll on our health. Although no indoor environment can replace the experience of the natural world, research is showing that incorporating nature into the built environment – whether in the form of sunlight and fresh ventilation, decorating with plants and organic materials or painting your space in earth-inspired hues – can improve comfort, reduce stress and potentially contribute to improved health indicators. This principle is known as biophilic design.

As more of us have begun to understand the benefits of biophilic design, natural colours like Resene Bone, Resene Copyrite, Resene Castle Rock and Resene Stonewashed have become increasingly popular. But today, there is no earthy hue more desirable to decorate with than green. From olive and army like Resene Olive Green, Resene Waiouru and Resene Siam, deep forest greens like Resene Black Forest, Resene Jurassic and Resene Raptor to grey greens like Resene Paddock and Resene Finch, the choices for on-trend greens are as broad as the ways you can use them in your home.

Left: Mother Nature isn't perfect and it's often the irregularity of nature which makes a space feel relaxing. Resene Sandtex tinted to Resene Concrete applied to the back wall and bedside table using a brush in a random pattern mimics the irregular coarseness of natural stone while Resene Colorwood Whitewash on the floor showcases the wood grain of the timber flooring. Front wall in Resene Ravine and large plant pot in Resene Half Tasman. Cushions and bedding from Warwick Fabrics, pendant light from Città.



Resene Copyrite



Resene Colorwood Rock Salt



Resene Bone



Resene Castle Rock



Resene Colorwood Whitewash




Resene Colorwood Natural



Trend: check
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Left: Opting for deeper khaki green delivers style and sophistication. Bedroom wall in Resene Waiouru, ensuite wall in Resene Eighth Black White (top) and Resene Waiouru (bottom), floor and vase in Resene Black White and door, vase and DIY artwork in Resene Nero. Bedlinen from Kinship, bedside cabinet from Bed Bath & Beyond, sink, faucet, mirror and soap dispenser from Plumline.

 Resene Eighth Black White

earthy elegance

Leveraging the potential health benefits of an earthy look doesn't mean you have to forgo an air of glamour. In this sophisticated space, the deliciously saturated Resene Waiouru headboard wall oozes earthy yet refined charm and effectively grounds the space. But rather than take the colour all the way from floor to ceiling in the ensuite, the colour drenches the lower half of the wall while Resene Eighth Black White on the upper half of the wall helps reflect more light onto your face as you're looking in the mirror getting ready for the day. Finish off your palette with details in a classic black like Resene Nero, a blackened white like Resene Black White, brass finishes and soft bedlinens in a mix of white, olive and forest greens for an extra chic look.

out of the woods

Earthy greens like Resene Wilderness have skyrocketed in popularity as the base hue of choice for grounding colour schemes – and with good reason. This warm and welcoming tone has nature written all over it, and what could be more relaxing than being cosily tucked away in a cabin in the woods? Bring this bedroom look home with walls and a lamp painted in Resene Woodland, timber flooring stained in Resene Colorwood Rock Salt and furniture stained in Resene Colorwood Natural, then layer in small accessories painted in Resene Scotch Mist, deliciously soft bedding in hues inspired by Resene Brown Sugar and Resene Vista White and a few literal nods to nature like fresh greenery or dried florals.



Above: Earthy greens really sing against wood tones and textures. Walls in Resene Wilderness, lamp base in Resene Woodland and painted accessories in Resene Half Scotch Mist. Bedside table and chair from Good Form, bedding from Foxtrot Home, rug and cushions from Mulberi.

 Resene Half Scotch Mist	 Resene Stonewashed	 Resene Wilderness	 Resene Raptor
 Resene Scotch Mist	 Resene Brown Sugar	 Resene Finch	 Resene Waiouru
 Resene Vista White	 Resene Half Tasman	 Resene Paddock	 Resene Olive Green
 Resene Concrete	 Resene Ravine	 Resene Woodland	 Resene Black Forest
 Resene Black White	 Resene Siam	 Resene Jurassic	 Resene Nero

back to nature

Biophilic design makes ample use of materials like exposed wood to create a warm, natural aesthetic that supports a home's healing objectives. So if you're including timber flooring, walls or ceilings as part of your design, you can create a positive biophilic response by choosing Resene wood stains or washes that allow the natural beauty of the timber grain to show through, such as Resene Colorwood Whitewash. Choosing paint colours that evoke nature can also provide a positive biophilic response. Resene Copyrite is a wonderful choice for walls and ceilings because it's a chameleon, making it a flexible option for the base of your palette. While not overtly green, this warm grey has a green undertone that becomes more or less pronounced depending on what it's

 Resene Alpaca	 Resene Chelsea Gem
 Resene Sugar Loaf	 Resene Colorwood Whitewash
 Resene Half Rickshaw	 Resene Copyrite
 Resene Tuscany	 Resene Castle Rock

Right: Subtle wood stains put the natural beauty of the grain front and centre. Wall in Resene Copyrite, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, pendant lampshade in Resene Quarter Blanc, side table in Resene Sugar Loaf and painted accessories in Resene Sugar Loaf, Resene Alpaca, Resene Half Rickshaw, Resene Castle Rock, Resene Tuscany, Resene Chelsea Gem and Resene Raptor. Sofa, coffee table and cushions from Città, rug from Freedom.

paired with. Clay colours like Resene Tuscany and Resene Chelsea Gem have earthy warmth baked right into them and make a welcome addition to a restful living space through accents like vases, bowls or smaller pieces of furniture. And woody browns like Resene Triple Dune and Resene Wood Bark can bring added contrast and depth without the starkness of a black or charcoal.



a place amongst the pines

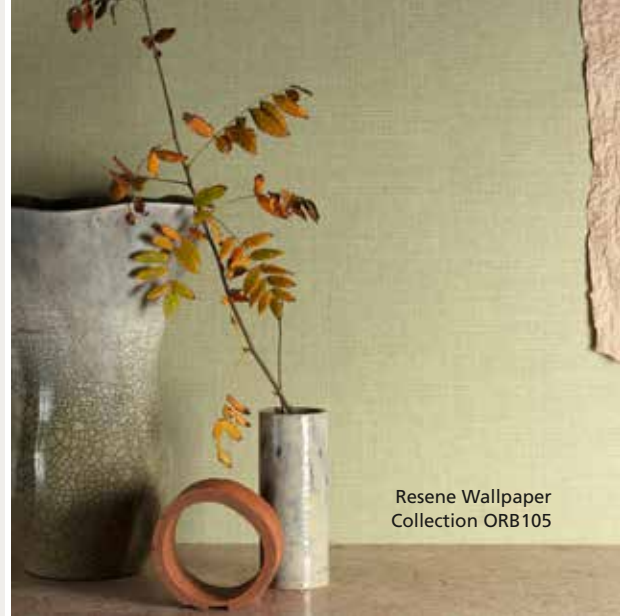
There's renewed popularity in wall panelling, including batten and tongue-and-groove looks as well as more traditional wainscoting – but with a creative twist. While it may sound counterintuitive to add formality to an earthy space that's meant to be a casual, restful retreat, minimalist timber wall panelling can actually enhance its tranquillity by creating a sense of order. Rather than standard wainscoting, which often includes ornate trims to create a recessed effect, opting for simple, linear panelling that protrudes from the wall puts an interesting, contemporary twist on a traditional idea. With little more than a tape measure, a level and a power drill, you can install MDF panelling yourself over the course of a weekend. Prime your panelling and trims first in Resene Quick Dry primer before painting both them and your walls in two coats of Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Jurassic or another favourite earthy colour of your choice. Incorporate a shelf into your panelling design to give you plenty of space to display books, accessories and DIY artwork in popular pastel tones like Resene Emerge, Resene Urbane, Resene Half Rakaia, Resene Double Rakaia and Resene Alpaca to offset the depth of your new wall colour. Finish the look with a whitewashed timber floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash for balance and levity.



top tip
 Take your Resene wall paint colour up on to your ceiling to soften the edges of the room and create a more cocooning vibe.

- Resene Half Sea Fog
- Resene Quarter Blanc
- Resene Urbane
- Resene Half Rakaia
- Resene Rakaia
- Resene Double Rakaia
- Resene Secrets
- Resene Grey Olive
- Resene Emerge
- Resene Inside Back
- Resene Raptor
- Resene Jurassic
- Resene Triple Dune
- Resene Digeridoo
- Resene Brown Pod
- Resene Wood Bark

Above: Panelling breaks up large stretches of dark colour so they are interesting and not oppressive. Wall, panelling and shelf in Resene Jurassic, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, table in Resene Urbane, DIY artwork in Resene Digeridoo, Resene Secrets, Resene Chelsea Gem, Resene Alpaca, Resene Rakaia, Resene Emerge, Resene Half Sea Fog, Resene Brown Pod and Resene Jurassic and vases in Resene Inside Back, Resene Emerge, Resene Urbane, Resene Alpaca, Resene Half Rakaia and Resene Double Rakaia. Bedlinen, cushion, throw, lamp from Città, jug from Flotsam & Jetsam.



Resene Wallpaper Collection ORB105

tap into texture

Take a woven texture to your walls in an earthy green hue with Resene Wallpaper Collection ORB105. Evocative of a grass cloth but with a tighter weave, this design lends a touchable, organic feel and rich colour to a space. Pair it with décor made from natural materials like granite, soapstone and clay with a few painted accents in brick red like Resene Hot August, sandy brown like Resene Desert Sand and green grey like Resene Grey Olive for a warm and grounded look that's rooted in nature.

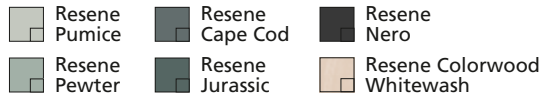
- Resene Desert Sand
- Resene Hot August



Left: Stencilled or freehand designs add extra colour and interest to a large area of wall. Wall in Resene Pewter and Resene Pumice, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, coffee tables in Resene Pumice and Resene Cape Cod, large plant pot and pendant lamp in Resene Jurassic, small plant pot and rug in Resene Pewter and bowl in Resene Nero. Sofa from Warehouse Interiors.

taking shape

Double down on your earthy look by using organic hues to paint a wall design made up of organic shapes. To create an ombre-style design that fades from darker Resene Pewter to lighter Resene Pumice, first divide your wall up into a grid using a ruler and a pencil. Then, draw different shapes within each square – with smaller/fewer shapes on your outer squares and larger/extra shapes in your inner squares. Then, handpaint your shapes and backgrounds in two coats of Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen using a high-quality angled paintbrush – available at your local Resene ColorShop. Use your darker colour for the backgrounds on the right side of your wall and your lighter hue for the backgrounds on the left and use the opposite colour to fill in your shapes. Because there is no taping or masking involved, the process of painting this design is very therapeutic and can be done at your own pace, in your own time – it's the imperfections that give it its charm.



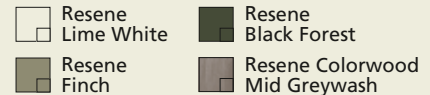
nouveau chic

Popular in parts of Europe during the first two decades of the 20th century, there have been a few noticeable nods to Art Nouveau-inspired design popping up. While this trend could be attributed to the recent revival of Art Deco colours, shapes, materials and finishes – the design movement that immediately followed – it may also be tied to the resurgence in nature motifs as Art Nouveau was renowned for its flowing, vine-like shapes. Décor as simple as this headboard design, which echoes the period details from the Paris Métro station entrances, a lamp that resembles a calla lily and a painted mirror that emulates Charles Rennie Mackintosh's famous rose design are all you need to add an Art Nouveau touch to your space. But don't overlook a period-appropriate colour palette of Resene Finch, Resene Black Forest, Resene Lime White and Resene Nero to support your more overt motifs.



Trend: nature
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Above: On-trend shades like earthy greens and natural textures keep an Art Nouveau inspired design feeling modern. Walls in Resene Finch, floor in Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash, drum tables in Resene Black Forest (sides) and Resene Lime White (top), plant pot, mirror and tray in Resene Nero and vase in Resene Black Forest. Bedlinen and throw from Città, headboard from The Cane Collective, lamp from Lighting Direct.



fortune favours the bold








Though plain, pared back, all-white spaces may have once been thought of as the epitome of contemporary design, it turns out living in an environment that's too sterile and devoid of colour doesn't do your mental wellbeing any favours. As a remedy to boring walls (and something fun to do to pass the time), spaces with bold and graphic painted elements surfaced as a significant trend during lockdowns. But even as restrictions have loosened, decorators are continuing to uniquely express themselves through creative and customised decorating. Whether you're dreaming of a statement wall in an eye-catching colour and design, want to build up a richly layered pattern-on-pattern look or feel like even just a little more character would go a long way, putting your personality on display has never been more in vogue.

pattern play

Pattern mixing is one of those decorating skills that many of us are afraid to try ourselves, but it's far easier than you might expect. One foolproof idea is to stick to patterns which are all within the same colour family, such as blue, so it will be immediately noticeable that they share something key in common. Don't overlook walls, furniture and flooring as places you can add more patterns using paint. To create this wall design we painted two different types of stripes on top of our base wall colour, Resene Alabaster. First, use high quality painter's tape to mask off where you want your wider stripes to be and then paint them in two coats of Resene Frozen. Once dry, remove the tape and use Resene Quarter Frozen to hand paint your thinner top stripe on in two coats using a large paintbrush to give it softer, imperfect edges and a casual vibe that's perfect for relaxed everyday living or the bach.



Resene
Frozen

-  Resene Alabaster
-  Resene Quarter Frozen
-  Resene Spindle
-  Resene Kashmir Blue
-  Resene Biscay

Left: Stripes are a simple but effective way to make a statement. Wall in Resene Alabaster with masked stripe in Resene Frozen and hand-painted stripe in Resene Quarter Frozen, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, dresser in Resene Biscay with stripes in Resene Spindle, Resene Alabaster and Resene Kashmir Blue and bowl and vase in Resene Biscay. Duvet cover from Foxtrot Home, throw from H&M Home, striped pillowcases from Ezibuy.


Resene
Half Black White 


walls that move you


Adding a dynamic painted pattern to a wall can be a great way to bring interest to an otherwise simple room. Depending on the colours and the busyness of the design, it can either inject energy into the room or create a sense of balance and harmony. There are plenty of interesting patterns in the Resene Wallpaper Collection to choose from or you can paint your own design on your walls, floor, ceiling or a piece of furniture.

This allows you to completely customise the size, shape, scale, colours and form and create a look that's entirely unique to you and your space. The painted herringbone design in this bedroom, with its embedded arrows, pushes the eye back and forth across the space to take in all the details. But because it is made up of gentle tonal blues, the pattern doesn't overwhelm. Instead, it sets the tone for the colour scheme used throughout the rest of the space so that it all hangs together cohesively. The best part is that it's simple to create using high-quality painter's masking tape, a pencil, a ruler and a level.

 Resene
Milk White

 Resene Quarter
Duck Egg Blue


 Resene
Duck Egg Blue

 Resene Half
Inside Back

 Resene
Inside Back

 Resene Colorwood
Mid Greywash

 Resene
Taupe Grey

 Resene
Fuscous Grey

top tip

No matter how simple or complex the design you wish to create with paint, it's always smart to plan out your design on paper first before you take it to your surface.



Above: A soft colour palette prevents dynamic designs from looking too busy. Back wall in Resene Quarter Duck Egg Blue with angled stripes in Resene Duck Egg Blue and Resene Inside Back, left wall in Resene Half Inside Back, floor in Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash, plant pot in Resene Duck Egg Blue, DIY artwork in Resene Milk White, Resene Taupe Grey and Resene Fuscous Grey with background in Resene Half Black White and bedside table in Resene Inside Back. Bedlinen, throw and lamp from Città.

Right: Checks are an easy pattern to replicate yourself for a classic or quirky finish. Wall in Resene Eighth Joss, floor and pendant lamp in Resene Eighth Joss and Resene Doeskin, cabinet in Resene Dusted Blue and Resene White Linen, chairs in Resene Quarter Doeskin, plant pot in Resene Regent Grey and Resene Doeskin, tall vase (on cabinet) in Resene Tobacco Brown, vase with handles in Resene Black, DIY 3D textured vase in Resene Dusted Blue and Resene Eighth Joss and low dish in Resene Dusted Blue. Table from Nood.

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|  Resene White Linen |  Resene Half Bison Hide |
|  Resene Eighth Bison Hide |  Resene Tea |
|  Resene Eighth Joss |  Resene Doeskin |
|  Resene Quarter Doeskin |  Resene Triple Bison Hide |

check one, two

Checkerboard designs are not only hugely popular, they're also classic and versatile. The pattern can be spun to fit with just about any style from French country to retro, chic or funky. You can paint this design anywhere to inject a bit of fun into your space, even on something as small as a coaster – but a painted checkerboard floor is a choice that will keep looking classic long after the peak of this trend has passed. Once your floor is finished, you may not want to stop! Create repetition within your space by painting vases, plant pots, lampshades and furniture in checkerboard designs using different colour combinations like Resene Triple Bison Hide and Resene Half Bison Hide, Resene Dusted Blue and Resene White Linen or Resene Tobacco Brown and Resene Tea at different scales for a bold, layered look.



top tip

Resene Tobacco Brown 

Resene Walk-on is a general purpose flooring paint with an attractive satin finish based on tough acrylic resins for durability and abrasion resistance. Use it to create solid or patterned designs on floors, steps, decking, concrete, porches, primed timber and composite boards. To rejuvenate a previously painted floor, simply wash down the existing coating, remove any loose flaking material, prime or seal if needed and recoat using two coats of Resene Walk-on.



Above: Modernise the classic checkerboard floor with neutral tones. Back wall in Resene Triple Bison Hide, left wall in Resene Half Bison Hide, diamond floor in Resene Triple Bison Hide and Resene Eighth Bison Hide, console table in Resene Bokara Grey, side table in Resene Tobacco Brown and bud vases in Resene Bokara Grey, Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream and Resene Tobacco Brown. Chair from Le Forge, throw from Bo Concept, artwork from Junk & Disorderly.

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|  Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream |  Resene Bokara Grey |
|  Resene Dusted Blue |  Resene Black |
|  Resene Regent Grey | |

inspiration under foot

Thanks to the magic of the internet, there are endless places you can look to for inspiration for your statement wall design – but you can also look to furniture and décor you already own and love. This wall design mimics the shapes and colours in the graphic rug and extrapolates it to become a theme for the entire room. The result is surreal, playful and artistic in a way that doesn't take itself too seriously.

Right: Play with perception by mimicking bold designs in different parts of your room. Left wall in Resene Travertine, right wall in Resene Sante Fe, Resene Juniper, Resene Paris White and Resene Dust Storm with lines in Resene Nero, floor in Resene Juniper, sculpture in Resene Yucca with mount in Resene Nero, plinth in Resene Paris White, vase in Resene Desperado and tiny pot (on table) in Resene Felix. Chair and side table from Bauhaus, rug and shelf from Good Form.

	Resene Travertine		Resene Sante Fe		Resene Felix
	Resene Dust Storm		Resene Desperado		Resene Nero



Resene Paris White

Resene Juniper

Resene Yucca



Left: Painting faux floor tiles is a cost-effective way of achieving a stylish finish. Wall in Resene Saviour, floor in Resene Meringue with stencilled design in Resene Black Sand, console table in Resene Black Sand, vases in Resene Scoria and Resene Saviour and DIY artwork in Resene Meringue and Resene All Black. Sofa from Soren Liv, coffee table from David Shaw, gold dish from Simon James, cushions from Adairs.

	Resene Meringue
	Resene Saviour
	Resene Scoria
	Resene Black Sand
	Resene All Black

chic, chic repeat

When picking a place to paint a bold or graphic design, don't discount your fifth and sixth 'walls' – the ceiling and floor. With a stencil, you can create the look of a tin ceiling or tiled floor in a matter of hours at a fraction of the cost of the real thing. A high contrast dark on light design in Resene Meringue and Resene Black Sand spells sophistication and elegance in this lounge. The bold DIY artwork, created with Resene testpots, brings the palette and geometry of the floor design up onto the wall, repeating motifs and shapes featured throughout the space for a unified look.



Resene 
Sea Fog

circle back









Rethinking the way you use neutrals can set your space apart and even a simple achromatic palette can be bold, eye-catching and undeniably modern with the right design. This graphic black, white and grey dining room adorned with a split circle motif has style in spades. What makes it so effective is its clear repetition of the same design and colours across multiple surfaces. However, the scale of the circle design gets smaller in proportion to the surface it is covering. While you could keep the look entirely neutral, a few pops of golds like Resene Apache, Resene Tussock and Resene Hot Toddy on plant pots, vases and bowls breaks things up. They are an ideal accent colour for their vibrancy and strength – just what is needed to stand out against the high contrast hues.

 Resene Apache	 Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash
 Resene Tussock	 Resene Quarter Friar Greystone
 Resene Hot Toddy	 Resene All Black

Left: Geometric shapes bring mid-century style to a classic neutral palette. Wall and cabinet in Resene Sea Fog with circle design in Resene All Black and Resene Quarter Friar Greystone, floor in Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash, dining table, chairs and candlesticks in Resene All Black and vases and plant pots in Resene Apache, Resene Tussock and Resene Hot Toddy.

pixel perfect







You don't have to be a masterful artist to create an artistic wall or floor design. With a pencil, ruler, level and some high-quality painter's masking tape, a 'pixelated' design is always within reach. Once you decide where you want to put it and what scale to paint your squares, the more challenging part will be which Resene colours to use and what shape you want it to take. You could stick to a single colour family for an ombre effect, choose a selection of complementary hues for a boldly contrasting look or leverage the whole spectrum and create a rainbow. While you can certainly take this concept across an entire wall, it also works great in smaller doses to act as artwork, fill in odd areas or visually frame your furniture. Use select pixel colours to paint various objects and accessories to bring the colour off the wall and into the rest of your space for a cohesive look.

 Resene Rice Cake	 Resene Contented	 Resene Savour	 Resene Scoria
 Resene Colorwood Whitewash	 Resene Soul Searcher	 Resene Salted Caramel	 Resene Rebel





Right: Simple designs are elevated with smart use of colour. Wall in Resene Soul Searcher with squares in Resene Contented, Resene Colorwood Whitewash, vases in Resene Contented and Resene Rebel, plant pot in Resene Savour and artwork backgrounds in Resene Savour (portrait) and Resene Rebel (magnolia). Sofa and nesting tables from Good Form, throw and cushions from H&M Home.



Above: Keep colours to a similarly toned palette for a refined, current look. Wall in Resene Rice Cake with squares in Resene Springtime, Resene Transcend, Resene Wabi Sabi, Resene Field Day and Resene Seaweed, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, dresser and plant pot in Resene Paddock and vases in Resene Springtime, Resene Wabi Sabi and Resene Seaweed. Dresser from Mr and Mrs Ward, chair from Good Form.

 Resene Springtime	 Resene Wabi Sabi	 Resene Paddock
 Resene Transcend	 Resene Field Day	 Resene Seaweed

Below: A plain, darker backdrop gives tonal pixel colours extra impact. Wall in Resene Carpe Noctem with squares in Resene White Noise, Resene Duck Egg Blue, Resene Baring Head and Resene Watermark, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash and vases in (from left to right) Resene Watermark, Resene Duck Egg Blue and Resene White Noise. Bench, dresser and lamp from Good Form.

-  Resene White Noise
-  Resene Baring Head
-  Resene Watermark
-  Resene Carpe Noctem









more is more

Since the pandemic began, maximalism has made a big comeback. But there's a common misconception – mainly, that maximalism implies that your space needs to be filled with a lot of 'stuff'. However, maximalism is more about having lots of colour. And rather than just increasing the number of possessions you own, it's more important to surround yourself with objets d'art, mementoes, curios, rich textures and bold patterns and hues that you truly love. Maximalism also stretches across movements: so depending on what you want to display, its principles can be used to create very different looks. For one decorator, maximalism might be found in an eclectic guest bedroom in the English countryside with patterned wallpaper, chintzy drapery and a somewhat chaotic collected atmosphere. The Memphis Design movement, with all its playful colours, geometric patterns and squiggly silhouettes can carry the same exuberant spirit – as can a room filled with treasures from far flung places which give off a well-travelled air – with a completely different treatment. Whatever your style and tastes, a proper maximalist look is a well-curated one, where everything in the space has importance and meaning. It can definitely help to make a mood board, where you can see your swatches of Resene paint colours, wallpaper and curtain samples all together at once, when planning your maximalist look.



Resene Wallpaper Collection 37520-2

Above: Modern maximalism means playing with a mix of on-trend patterns, colours and textures. Upper wall in Resene Wallpaper Collection 37520-2, lower wall and skirting board in Resene Tangaroo, panelling and dado rail in Resene St Kilda, floor in Resene Rice Cake with stencilled design in Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Tangaroo, bench seat in Resene Stromboli with legs/frame in Resene Duck Egg Blue, headboard in Resene Cashmere trimmed in Resene Scoria, pendant lamp in Resene Scoria, artwork frame in Resene Duck Egg Blue and painted accessories in Resene Stromboli and Resene Scoria. Duvet cover, pillowcases, throw and cushions from Adairs.

-  Resene Cashmere
-  Resene Stromboli
-  Resene Scoria
-  Resene St Kilda
-  Resene Duck Egg Blue
-  Resene Tangaroo

turning back time




Colours, textures and materials that reflect a collective sense of nostalgia are a significant current design trend, and it's understandable why. Given the amount of time most of us have spent inside lately, the popularity of pastoral looks – which embrace the essence of homeliness and a wistfulness for the 'good old days' – are an attempt to ground ourselves during uncertain times. Decorating with natural tones, artisanal objects and tactile textures reflects our desire to protect and preserve what is becoming increasingly important to us: the environment we live in. Stonewashed linens, plaid and gingham patterns, dried florals, handmade pottery, solid timber furniture and vintage antiques are all part of the look, but today's preference for minimalism puts them to use in more pared back ways. Sun-bleached pastels, mauves, greys, beiges, browns and terracotta tones are natural fits for pastoral looks, but their mismatched

nature also lends an opportunity to use quirky colours to customise your space.

While an authentic vintage patina can be quite desirable on older items, there are also many Resene products that you can use to restore an item that's looking a little too worse for wear or to lend a weathered vibe to a newer piece. Resene Colorwood Natural timber stain is a beautiful hue for bringing golden warmth to wooden furniture or flooring while Resene Colorwood Whitewash and Resene Colorwood Greywash can be used to create a weathered look. Chalk finishes and waxes such as Karen Walker Chalk Colour and Karen Walker Vintage Wax can be used to add colour with a velvety matte finish or be rubbed over a colour coat to impart a rustic one. And non-contact surfaces such as light fixtures or decorative accents in materials like plastic, timber, concrete and metal can be given the look of years of rust in mere hours with Resene FX Faux Rust Effect.

top tip

Use Resene FX Paint Effects medium to give newer walls an aged look. Choose two similar Resene paint colours – one that's lighter and one that's a couple of steps darker – that are similar to the material you want to mimic. Try Resene Triple Concrete and Resene Half Concrete for a concrete effect or Resene Double Blanc and Resene Quarter Blanc to evoke aged plaster.

Resene
Quarter Blanc 



precious memories

At the end of a long day, there is nothing like coming home to a bedroom look that's rooted in beloved memories and the things you love most. This pastel paint palette was inspired by a favourite throw, one that always brings comfort when it's wrapped around the shoulders. By taking Resene Half Halcyon, Resene Moonbeam and Resene Moby to the walls and Resene Scotch Mist to the floor, that same sense of cosiness and nostalgia envelops the entire space. Resene Moonbeam has been painted only partway up the main wall, which not only echoes the squares on the throw, but the contrast between the Resene upper and adjacent walls creates the effect of a headboard without overwhelming the space with too much yellow. The rest of the space has been kept simple and understated, with only a patterned rug and a few woven cane furnishings breaking from the white, yellow and blue colour palette, lending the space a simplistic yet sunny vibe.

Resene
Half Halcyon

Opposite: Walls in Resene Half Sour Dough (left) and Resene Half Scarpa Flow (right), floor in Resene Midnight Express, bedside cabinet in Resene Pale Oyster, vases painted in Resene Anise and Resene Half Sour Dough and ribbed basket in Resene Summer Green. Duvet cover, pillowcases and plain linen cushion from Foxtrot Home, gingham cushion, rug and throw from Mulberi, slippers from La Tribe.

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Left: Nostalgia means choosing colours inspired by treasured objects and memories. Left wall and upper back wall in Resene Half Halcyon, lower back wall in Resene Moonbeam, pillar in Resene Moby, floor in Resene Scotch Mist and magazine rack and sculpture in Resene Moonbeam. Duvet cover and pillowcases from Foxtrot Home, cushions from Baya, chair and rug from Good Form, dress from Morrison.



home sweet home

Born of a desire to return to a slower way of living, pastoral movements like 'cottagecore' revel in the romance of rural life and celebrate a return to traditional skills and crafts such as foraging, baking and pottery. Creamy whites, pastels and natural tones like Resene Eighth Joss, Resene Norway and Resene Woodrush are particularly prominent in a cottagecore look and warm, organic textures are welcome additions. Understated bedlinen, freshly-picked or dried flowers in a mason jar, rustic antique jugs or a perfectly imperfect hand-thrown vase set the stage while candlesticks provide instant ambience. An eclectic mix of tones can create a rich and complex look rather than one that's overly matchy. The key is not to strive for perfection, as a more laid-back approach will make you feel more at ease and increase the desire to linger longer under the covers.

 Resene Norway	 Resene Bandicoot
 Resene Quarter Joss	 Resene Planter
 Resene Half Malta	 Resene Karaka



Above: Cottagecore is all about the art of balancing a preference for artisan materials without looking too matched or curated. Wall in Resene Eighth Joss, floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, headboard in Resene Norway with cross stitch design in Resene Quarter Joss, Resene Woodrush, Resene Planter, Resene Half Malta, Resene Bandicoot and Resene Lemon Ginger, bedside table in Resene Bandicoot and lamp in Resene Karaka. Bedlinen, cushions and throw from Città, hat from Country Road.

furniture revival

Before purchasing new items, think about all the vintage furniture and decor in second-hand shops, auction houses and online selling sites. With a bit of creative flair and a lick of paint you can adapt your second-hand finds into something unique to you and your space.


Bring older items back to life with Resene paints or wood stains. Try Resene Enamacryl on reclaimed or upcycled furniture to get a durable, gloss finish or try Karen Walker Chalk Colour for a weathered matte finish. Look to stains like Resene Colorwood Natural or wash finishes like Resene Colorwood Whitewash or Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash to enhance timber or create an aged look.

 Resene Colorwood Whitewash
 Resene Colorwood Natural
 Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash



top tip

Combine multiple second-hand finds like tea-towels or vintage flour sacks to reupholster old chair seats or make cottagecore cushion covers.


Resene Woodrush 

hard-working looks

Industrial interiors are often associated with lofty apartments and gentrified factory buildings that have been repurposed and converted into urban dwellings, especially those that feature exposed brick or metal beams, pipes or ducts. However, you can take elements of this trendy interior style and make them work in nearly any type of home. From upscale Scandi homes to casual farmhouses, industrial elements can be mixed with many different decorative styles. Leaving unfinished, raw and exposed elements is key for getting the 'factory' vibe that's synonymous with industrial style, so it's important to show the 'bones' and interesting architectural features of your space where possible. The colours you choose to decorate your industrial design are an important part of getting the right effect, too. Grey, brown, silver and black are prevalent in industrial colour schemes. Primary or vintage reds and yellows - especially yellow ochres and red oxides – such as Resene Fuel Yellow, Resene Hot Toddy, Resene Fahrenheit or Resene Mocha and forest or army greens such as Resene Half Forest Green or Resene Go Ben play their part in the look, too – especially if you want to bring attention to a key focal piece or create a point of difference for added interest.

Resene
Mocha 

top tip

Resene
Eighth Joss 

Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen waterborne enamel is not only a popular choice for colouring walls, but it also works just like a chalkboard and can be tinted to a huge range of colours. Use a darker colour, such as Resene Cinder, to create your own chalkboard feature in any shape or size directly on your wall or on a separate board or panel. Simply wipe it clean with a damp cloth whenever you want to start fresh. Or try Resene FX Blackboard Paint or Resene FX Chalkboard Paint, which are washable waterborne finishes for interior and exterior smooth wallboards and panels where a hard-wearing blackboard coating is required.



Above: Second-hand stores are great sources of industrial-style furniture that can be refreshed with creative use of colour. Upper wall in Resene Quarter Ash with lower shelf wall in Resene Cinder, floor and shelf in Resene Colorwood Natural, locker cabinet, shelf bins and chair in Resene Half Forest Green, desk legs, pendant lamp, magazine holders and desktop organiser in Resene Mocha, desk lamp, books, perforated bin and ribbed jar in Resene Fuel Yellow, shelf supports in Resene FX Faux Rust Effect, plant pots in Resene Mocha (raised) and Resene Nero (with ivy) and chalkboard and jar (with paintbrushes) in Resene Cinder. Clock from Nood, jug from Flotsam & Jetsam.



Resene
Quarter Ash



Resene
Hot Toddy



Resene
Go Ben



Resene
Cinder



Resene
Fuel Yellow



Resene
Fahrenheit




Resene Half
Forest Green



Resene
Nero

groovy grout


The colours and textures of the 1970s continue to captivate our imaginations. The design of the time was fun yet sophisticated – an energy which is resonating with those pining for a simpler existence. Though the decade had its fair share of questionable design choices like plastic-covered furniture and shag carpets, today's looks are more restrained and curated, cherry-picking the highlights. Warm raw materials like wood, exposed concrete and stone paired with bold geometric patterns and low slung soft furniture are having a major resurgence, as are earth tones, golds and rusty orange hues like Resene China Ivory, Resene Teak, Resene Cape Palliser, Resene Tulip Tree and Resene Porsche. These colours are calming and help us feel grounded, desirable for creating a relaxing living environment that has an immediate comfortable feel. And there is nothing that communicates how relaxed and free-spirited your 70s-inspired space is quite like a perfectly imperfect hand-painted flagstone floor.

Resene
China Ivory 



 Resene
Mercury

 Resene
Porsche

 Resene
Teak

 Resene
Tulip Tree




Left: Organic shapes and curved furniture all help create a sense of retreat and escape. Back wall in Resene China Ivory, right wall in Resene Cape Palliser and floor in Resene Teak, Resene Cape Palliser, Resene Mercury, Resene Tulip Tree and Resene Porsche. Chair from Domo, cushion from Città, trolley from Matisse, glasses and decanter from Faradays.

Resene Wallpaper
Collection 2109-155-01



Resene
Bison Hide

 Resene
Forest Green

 Resene
Log Cabin












laid back retreats

Whether you call it a bach, cabin, cottage, lodge or chalet, recreating the appeal of a remote lakeside getaway in your everyday home can evoke the same relaxation as a holiday home getaway. A cosy cabin look is an appealing decorating idea if you're after a look that's casual, nostalgic and welcoming. This style is all about creating a sense of warmth and retreat while referencing the wild landscape that often lies beyond the doors. On the peak of a snowy mountain or tucked in a pine forest overlooking a lake, cabin décor typically pays tribute to nature while also creating a reprieve from it – making a nature-inspired wallpaper like Resene Wallpaper Collection 2109-155-01 an ideal choice for bringing the serenity that's outside indoors. Pair it with adjacent walls in Resene Bison Hide and simple timber furniture stained in Resene Colorwood Natural. If cabins are all about paying homage to nature, then green is the ultimate cabin accent colour. Forest and jade greens like Resene Forest Green and Resene Log Cabin are ideal additions to primarily neutral spaces that need restrained hints of colour to enliven their look.

glamour and darks





Don't be afraid of the dark. Used with some thought, dark colours can create spaces that are inviting, sumptuous and luxe without being overbearing or stuffy. The key is balance. Try bold, dark, colour-saturated shades like smoky Resene Nocturnal, charcoal Resene Invincible and sumptuous blue Resene Ocean Waves paired with contrasting metallics like Resene Silver Aluminium for extra opulence, or with milky neutrals like Resene Friar Greystone, Resene Stepping Stone or Resene Courtyard for freshness and light that ensures the space stays modern and elegant.

 Resene Silver Aluminium	 Resene Yogi	 Resene Nocturnal	 Resene Night Magic
 Resene Friar Greystone	 Resene Baring Head	 Resene Ocean Waves	 Resene Black Sand
 Resene Stepping Stone	 Resene Half Nocturnal	 Resene Invincible	

top tip

A matte or low sheen finish like Resene SpaceCote reduces glare and gives darker hues a velvety finish.



 Resene Courtyard
 Resene FX Faux Rust Effect

Left: Paired with soft muted shades dark walls, like these painted in Resene Invincible, work like a neutral and can actually recede from the eye making a space feel less hemmed in. Cabinet in Resene Black Sand, floor in Resene Friar Greystone and tables in Resene Stepping Stone and Resene Courtyard. Plant pots in Resene FX Faux Rust Effect (on cabinet) and Resene Invincible (on table), tall vase in Resene Stepping Stone, u-shaped vase in Resene Yogi and DIY artwork in Resene Yogi, Resene Black Sand, Resene Stepping Stone and Resene Courtyard. Sofa from Target Furniture, rug from Freedom, cushions from Freedom and H&M Home, throw from H&M Home.

 Resene Eau De Nil	 Resene Colorwood Natural
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Above: Stormy blues and charcoals create classy comfort that invites you to come and relax. Wall and floor painted in Resene Ocean Waves with painted headboard in Resene Night Magic, table and bench in Resene Half Nocturnal, vase in Resene Baring Head and book and small vase in Resene Eau De Nil. Lamp from Cane Collection, rug from Bed Bath & Beyond, bedding from Città, shoes from Miss Wilson.



Resene
Nocturnal



Resene Colorwood
Dark Oak

Below: A textured relief finish on dark colours is another way to break up a large stretch of wall to stop it feeling overbearing. Wall painted in Resene Nocturnal with battens in Resene Half Tuna, side wall in Resene Nocturnal and floor stained in Resene Colorwood Dark Oak wood stain. Coffee and console tabletops in Resene Half Tuna, lamp base in Resene Blue Smoke with shade in Resene Nebula, sculpture in Resene Blue Smoke with plinth in Resene Nocturnal, tealight holder in Resene Yucca, bowl in Resene Tiara and vase in Resene Half Tuna. Sofa and ottoman from King Living, mirror from Freedom, cushions from Freedom, Penney + Bennett and Nood.



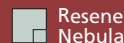
rich reds

Red is a colour that lends immediate drama and sophistication to a room. To ensure deep shades like Resene Salsa retain their impact, surround them with more muted or natural shades such as greys, wheaten neutrals or wood tones. Fresh blossom notes of pink and peach such as modern Resene Sakura, can also add a fresh airiness to the room so your colour-saturated wine reds look sophisticated rather than overbearing.

Above: Earthy red-toned brown Resene Cape Palliser on the right wall balances the large windows to make this lounge feel cosy yet light and inviting. The rear wall contrasts in Resene China Ivory with a warm-toned floor in Resene Teak. Sofa and short lamp from Matisse, painting and tall lamp from Bradfords Interiors, coffee table and rug from Città, mug, cup, saucer and tealight from Michael Joyce, cushion, candle and vases from Faradays.



Resene
China Ivory



Resene
Nebula



Resene
Tiara



Resene
Blue Smoke



Resene
Yucca



Resene
Half Tuna



Resene
Salsa



Resene
Cape Palliser




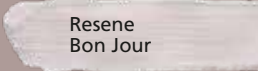
Resene Colorwood
Natural

Below: The contrast of deep red on the right wall painted in Resene Lonestar emphasises the fresh blossom effect of the rest of this room. Left wall in Resene Sakura, floor in Resene Tom Tom, vase (on chair) in Resene Sakura, sculpture in Resene Aubergine and floor vase in Resene Japonica. Chair from Città, duvet cover, pillowcases and cushion from Foxtrot Home, throw and lamb hide from Mulberi, artwork by Sam Michelle, shoes from La Tribe.

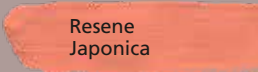


Above: Bring in metallic accents in wall features and accessories to bounce light and add glamour to darker hues. Wall painted in Resene Bon Jour with headboard arches in Resene Salsa and floor in Resene Colorwood Natural wood stain. Bedside table in Resene Jaguar and vase in Resene Volcano. Lamp from Freedom, rug from The Ivy House, quilt from H&M Home.

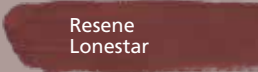
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Resene Bon Jour 

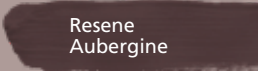
Resene Sakura 

Resene Japonica 

Resene Teak 

Resene Lonestar 

Resene Volcano 

Resene Aubergine 

Resene Jaguar 

tasteful texture

Patterned and textured Resene wallpapers add depth and dimension that immediately implies abundance and luxury. The right design can instantly transform a room from dull to dramatic, and elevate it to the glamour standards of a stylish hotel. In a neutral shade the right pattern adds just enough interest to show off other glamorous furnishings. Alternatively, keep your fittings simple and go extra bold with your wallpaper pattern to make that the feature of your room.



Right: A bold Resene wallpaper design can transform your room into a luxury apartment anywhere in the world – or in time. Resene Wallpaper Collection AGA302 immediately adds bold vintage glamour, paired with a complex neutral like Resene White Linen.



Resene
Alabaster



Resene
Anise



Resene
White Linen



Resene
Lucky Point



Resene Half
Scarpa Flow



Resene
Half Sour Dough

Left: Add hotel chic at home with the glamour of a textured wallpaper design. Pair Resene Wallpaper Collection AGA101 with trim in a soft minimalist neutral such as Resene Alabaster.

Right: Go dark on your floor for an unexpected jolt of boldness. Add lighter shades higher up to keep the room feeling lighter and brighter. Wall painted in Resene Half Scarpa Flow and left wall painted in Resene Lucky Point. Floor painted in Resene Midnight Express, planters painted in Resene Anise and Resene Half Sour Dough and floor standing vase in Resene Half Sour Dough. Chair covered in fabric by House of Hackney, artwork by Claire Stapleton, slippers from La Tribe.



Resene
Midnight Express



textured sophistication

A swathe of dark wall, whether it's in the stylish navy of Resene Coast, charcoal Resene Cod Grey or dark maroon Resene Rustic Red, is lent an extra note of sophistication when it includes texture. Try painting over Resene Anaglypta Wallpaper or, for a more natural texture use Resene Colorwood Pitch Black or Resene Colorwood Dark Ebony stain over plywood to showcase the grain. It has a similar effect to using luxury fabrics like velvet or suede. Emphasise the tactile finish with contrasting shinier surfaces and lighter highlight colours.

Resene
Rustic Red

Resene
Coast

Resene
Cod Grey

Left: A restrained palette is given added glamour with clever blending of textures and finishes. The plywood wall is in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black with tongue-and-groove flooring in Resene Half Gin Fizz. The artwork is painted with Resene Gin Fizz and Resene Blackout. Chair and pendant light from Good Form, coffee table and rug from Mocka.

 Resene Colorwood
Pitch Black

 Resene
Gin Fizz

 Resene Colorwood
Dark Ebony

 Resene
Blackout

contemporary classics






The reason some interior styles become classics is because they're able to be adapted to suit contemporary colour trends and ways of living. Looks like Hamptons style, beachy or monochrome allow us all to embrace timeless elegance with our own personal, and local, spin. They come in clean lines against warmer, beige neutrals such as Resene Akaroa, Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, Resene Half Cougar, Resene Double Thorndon Cream and Resene Ash.

Today's classics also tend to embrace darker, more intense shades where previously we might have opted for only paler or more subtle hues. Warm up a beachy look with a touch of earthy tones that play well with other colours such as Resene Spice or Resene Leather. Update the Hamptons style with muted grey-blue Resene Baring Head or be dramatic with the brick tone of Resene Pioneer Red.

 Resene Watermark  Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy






Left: The on-trend tones of a deep blue tongue-and-groove wall in Resene Watermark brings the classic blue, white and wood of the Hamptons look right up to date. The front wall adds tonal depth painted in Resene Baring Head, while the flooring in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy and touches of white keep things fresh. Shelves in Resene Double Alabaster, ginger jar in Resene Double Alabaster with painted design in Resene Watermark and small vases in Resene Ted and Resene Aoraki. Desk and chair from Danske Møbler, rug from Adairs, side tables from French Country Collections, lamps from Mitre10, mirror from H&M Home.








-  Resene Aoraki
-  Resene Alabaster
-  Resene Merino
-  Resene Akaroa
-  Resene Half Tuna



Above: This living room embraces the classic natural fibres and neutral tones of a beach look, but is given sharper impact with brighter batted walls painted in Resene Black White. The look is anchored by a darker floor in Resene Colorwood Dark Ebony. Console and coffee tables in Resene Merino, mirror and tray in Resene Cloudy and painted accessories in Resene Cloudy, Resene Ash, Resene Silver Chalice, Resene Black White, Resene Half Tuna and Resene Tea. Sofa, lamp, lantern and select cushions from Johnston Imports, seagull and lighthouse and other cushions from Bed Bath & Beyond and The French Villa, rug from Freedom.

-  Resene Silver Chalice
-  Resene Double Thorndon Cream
-  Resene Colorwood Dark Ebony

Below: Classic earthy neutrals are dialled right up to give this room lots of natural intensity. The left wall and tealight holder are painted in Resene Spice. Rear wall painted in Resene Quarter Akaroa, floor in Resene Akaroa, drawers and chair in Resene Wafer and vase and coat rack in Resene Leather. Artwork from Simply Creative, bedlinen from Adairs, textured and multi-coloured cushions from Freedom, pink cushion from The Warehouse.

-  Resene Wafer
-  Resene Black White
-  Resene Tea
-  Resene Cloudy
-  Resene Ted
-  Resene Baring Head
-  Resene Double Alabaster





Left: Creamy hues and organic shapes bring fresh dimension to a traditional monochrome colour palette. Rear wall painted in Resene Snow Drift, left wall in Resene Half Cougar and ombre floor in Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Eighth Truffle, Resene Quarter Truffle, Resene Half Truffle, Resene Truffle, Resene Double Truffle and Resene Triple Truffle. DIY artwork painted in Resene Travertine and Resene Eighth Black White, lampshade in Resene Blackjack, hand ornament and vase in Resene Travertine and candlesticks in Resene Blackjack and Resene Eighth Black White. Chair from David Shaw, spotted vase from Formantics, shelf from Urban Outfitters.

Resene Truffle
 Resene Soothe
 Resene Travertine
 Resene Domino
 Resene Blackjack



Resene Colorwood Natural
 Resene Colorwood Dark Oak

Right: The dado rail dividing the walls painted in Resene Half Thorndon Cream (upper) and Resene Double Thorndon Cream (lower) teamed with the wooden floor stained in Resene Colorwood Natural lends classic country style to a sleek modern room. Coffee table, side table and picture frame in Resene Domino, bowl in Resene Half Doeskin, large vase in Resene Dusty Road and bulb vase in Resene Half Thorndon Cream. On the side table, painted book in Resene Middle Earth and low dish in Resene Sugar Loaf. DIY artwork painted in Resene Periglacial Blue, Resene Half Thorndon Cream, Resene Lemon Ginger, Resene Middle Earth, Resene Half Doeskin, Resene Domino, Resene Midnight Moss, Resene Soothe and Resene Digeridoo. Sofa from Danske Møbler, cushion from Cittá.



beachy sophistication

The laid back vibe of a quintessential bach is finding its way into our everyday spaces, with a focus on fresh, airy shades such as Resene Quarter Periglacial Blue, Resene In The Mauve and Resene Wan White. Make it inviting for all seasons with plenty of textured textiles in wools, linen and velvet, and add deeper colours of Resene Powder Blue, Resene Colorwood Dark Oak wood stain, Resene Raptor and Resene Double Ash.

Resene
Double Thorndon
Cream

Below left: Clean lines and fresh colours make this room delightfully retro and beachy, yet still feel current. Wall, chairs and jug vase painted in Resene Quarter Periglacial Blue, floor, pendant lamp and dado rail in Resene Wan White, bench seat base in Resene Periglacial Blue, coat rack in Resene Sandspit Brown and large plant pot, tray and small vase in Resene Powder Blue. DIY artworks painted in Resene Periglacial Blue, Resene Quarter Black White and Resene Energy Yellow. Table and rug from Leopold Hall, bag from H&M Home.

Resene
Thorndon Cream

Resene
Half Truffle

Resene
Dust Storm

Resene
Energy Yellow

Resene
Lemon Ginger

Left: Adopting a minimalist look is another way to keep a relaxed beachy style feeling contemporary and suitably low-maintenance. Walls and floor painted in Resene In The Mauve, table vase in Resene Dust Storm. Lamp, table and chairs from Good Form, rug from Mulberi.

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 Resene Half Ash	 Resene Caraway	 Resene Alpaca
 Resene Double Ash	 Resene Raptor	 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
 Resene Sugar Loaf	 Resene Watermark	 Resene Colorwood Bask

nature that nurtures



Resene Eighth Arrowtown 

A connection with nature and natural materials is an important part of today's classic neutral spaces. Enhance the natural grain in timber features with Resene Colorwood wood stains or wash finishes like Resene Colorwood Shade from the We Speak Beach range or Resene Colorwood Whitewash. Team with fresh neutral colours that mimic nature like Resene Athena and Resene Stonewashed. Layer in wools, cane and cork with dried and fresh plants.

Left: Textiles and soft, muted shades warm up a beachy look so it works year-round. Walls, floor and mantle painted in Resene Half Ash with larger arch shape in Resene Double Ash, smaller shape in Resene Eighth Arrowtown and crossover section in Resene Half Arrowtown. Basket planter in Resene Sugar Loaf, tray in Resene Caraway with vases and painted books in Resene Raptor, Resene Double Ash, Resene Half Doeskin, Resene Quarter Delta, Resene Half Ash, Resene Eighth Arrowtown, Resene Half Arrowtown, Resene Alpaca, Resene Caraway, Resene Double Thorndon Cream and Resene Half Thorndon Cream. Sofa from Danske Møbler, coffee table, cushions and throw from Cittá.



Left: Parched tan shades and textured charcoals add personality and drama to a classic neutral space. This room is anchored by the dark floor finished in Resene Colorwood Shade. Walls painted in Resene Concrete, cabinet and pendant in Resene Nocturnal, coffee table in Resene Triple Concrete, side stump stool in Resene Colorwood Bask and vase on coffee table and bowl with wooden handle in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Sofa, wall hanging and square linen cushion from Freedom, tobacco coloured linen cushion and throw from Adairs, charcoal linen square and rectangle cushion covers from H&M Home, jute cushion from Mocka, tealight holder from Indie Home Collective.

 Resene Concrete  Resene Tea



Above: Deep red touches catch the eye in a room that otherwise embraces natural neutrals. Walls painted in Resene Athena with border in Resene Pioneer Red. Shelf and large floor vase in Resene Savour, candleholder and tray in Resene Pioneer Red and small vase (on shelf) and napkin holder in Resene Athena. Chair and cabinet from Cane Collective, table from Nood, lamp from Sailor and Scout, napkins from Father Rabbit.

Right: Tonal layers of similar shades and a mix of textures keep this colour scheme neutral while ensuring it is never dull. Wall painted in Resene Triple Spanish White with wood battens and shelf in Resene Half Spanish White. Floor finished in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, coffee table and vase (on shelf) in Resene Stonewashed, footed bowl (on shelf) and coffee table vases in Resene Stonewashed and Resene Ironsand and DIY artwork painted in Resene Tea with lines in Resene Ironsand. Sofa from Target Furniture, cushions from Nood, Freedom and H&M Home.

- Resene Athena
- Resene Triple Spanish White
- Resene Colorwood Whitewash
- Resene Half Doeskin
- Resene Savour
- Resene Colorwood Shade

- Resene Stonewashed
- Resene Ironsand
- Resene Double Thorndon Cream
- Resene Pioneer Red
- Resene Nocturnal
- Resene Half Thorndon Cream

citrus burst

citrus cheer







Sharper, brighter colours are often the ones we turn to following periods of upheaval and discomfort – so it's no surprise that bright and bold citrus shades are back in favour. Is there anything more rejuvenating and optimistic than an unexpected bright splash of citrus? Fresh, vibrant colours like Resene Happy, Resene Wild Side and Resene Tropical represent a collective desire for sunnier, brighter times.

These fizzy shades feel like a breath of fresh air, and add a shock of pop art-style energy and sharpness to your room. Temper the vivid oranges, yellows and lime greens with deeper botanical greens such as Resene Clover and Resene Green Leaf.

The naturally uplifting and joyful nature of citrus shades make them an excellent choice for entertaining areas, particularly outside where they beautifully complement natural greenery and wood decking – and they can make for fun, energetic children's bedrooms. They also look crisp, sharp and clean against whites, making them a popular choice for kitchens, bathrooms and laundries.

Top left: The yellow and orange citrus notes of Resene Wallpaper Collection 807509 give this room a vibrant tropical vibe.

Left: Recreate the feel of a cool tropical escape with Resene Wallpaper Collection M37904. A citrus throw and wood flooring in Resene Colorwood Natural keep the space very chilled out and holiday-like.

	Resene Bianca		Resene Canary		Resene Chenin
	Resene Rice Paper		Resene Illuminate		Resene Happy

top tip

Soften the sharpness of a bright yellow by teaming it with a creamy white such as Resene Bianca rather than stark whites.



Above: Anchor sharp citrus notes with deeper leafy greens for added depth and impact. Add flair and embrace the trend for vintage homestead style with features like bold stripes in Resene Clover and Resene Rice Cake and a contrasting wood dado rail in Resene Chenin to match the large vase. Lower wall in Resene Clover, cabinet and ball in Resene Smoke Tree, candleholder in Resene Dingley, circle vase in Resene Midwinter Mist, pink vase in Resene Paper Doll, bowl in Resene Lemon Ginger and green vase in Resene Green Leaf.

	Resene Ayers Rock		Resene Tropical
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softer and soothing

To warm up a citrus colour palette look to more muted, soothing colours such as Resene Lemon Twist and Resene Illuminate then add splashes of more sunburnt shades such as copper and burnt orange such as Resene Smoke Tree and Resene Ayers Rock, against a backdrop of textured neutrals such as Resene Colorwood Rock Salt and Resene Meringue.

Resene Meringue
 Resene Midwinter Mist
 Resene Wild Side



Left: Mixing a variety of citrus shades of different intensities stops any one colour from becoming too overpowering. Front wall in Resene Canary, middle wall and floor in Resene Rice Paper and rear wall in Resene Half Reservoir. The shell vase adds an extra colour burst in Resene Groovy. Small vase on floor in Resene Timber Green. Chair from Good Form, pink vase from Citta.

Resene Lemon Twist
 Resene Half Nomad
 Resene Green Leaf

Resene Paper Doll
 Resene Groovy
 Resene Timber Green

Resene Rice Cake
 Resene Thorndon Cream


Resene Colorwood Rock Salt
 Resene Half Reservoir


Resene Smoke Tree
 Resene Dingley

Resene Clover
 Resene Lemon Ginger

Left: Textured and brushed finishes add interest for the eye and emphasise the clean brightness of citrus shades. Main wall in Resene Lemon Twist. Rear wall in Resene Thorndon Cream with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Half Nomad for a brushmark effect. Floor in Resene Colorwood Rock Salt and coffee table in Resene Thorndon Cream. Artwork and rug from Father Rabbit, chair and sofa bed from Danske Møbler, linen cushion, tray, vase, teapot and beakers from Citta, patterned cushion from Penney + Bennett.

tactile textures

Resene Secrets 

Resene Tea 

Textured finishes, whether achieved through a Resene paint effect or wallpaper soften the edges of a space and make it more comfortable and appealing to be in. They add interest and a sense of movement to large expanses of wall, and make you want to reach out and touch surfaces. Textures are becoming more casual, a simple and effective way to add interest to neutral wall colours and evoke far flung exotic destinations.

There are many ways to add texture to your spaces with Resene products such as Resene FX Paint Effects medium, Resene FX Faux Rust Effect, Resene FX Crackle, Resene Sandtex or Resene FX Metallic paints.

One of the most popular modern textured styles is a casual limewashed concrete look, reminiscent of Mediterranean villas or mudbrick homes. Try a tone-on-tone effect by picking two variations – one dark, one light - of the same hue for a natural earthy finish. For example you could try popular Resene Tea as your main wall colour, then apply a patched topcoat in Resene FX Paint Effect medium mixed with Resene Half Tea for a hand-washed chalky effect.

Follow through on the casual 'undone' nature of the paint finish with relaxed furnishings like throws and cushions in natural shades and fibres like linen or wool. A central item of upcycled furniture also works well.



top tip

Always try out your effects combination on a piece of cardboard before doing your whole wall. Experiment with your paint to effects proportions. Resene testpots are ideal for this. Write down the recipe you have used to mix your paint with your effects medium so you can replicate it later.

 Resene Half Nomad

 Resene Scrub

 Resene Cinder

 Resene Eternity

Above: The fresh green of this wall is amplified by the addition of a textured visual effect to bring extra freshness to the whole space. It's easy to achieve - simply paint the wall in Resene Secrets and randomly apply Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Paddock. Table vase in Resene Paddock. Sofa from Danske Møbler, coffee table and wall hanging from Cittá, jug from Flotsam & Jetsam, cushions and throw from Mulberi, books from Sunday Store.

Right: Textured effects and a bold colour choice on the floor breathe life into this bedroom. The rear wall is painted in Resene Thorndon Cream with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Half Nomad. Floor and vase in Resene Cinder, chair in Resene Scrub and DIY artwork in Resene Eternity with Resene FX Crackle effect topcoated in Resene Thorndon Cream. Duvet, pillowcases, green cushion and quilt from Cittá, patterned cushion from Penney + Bennett, scarf and sheets from Father Rabbit.

 Resene Paddock

 Resene Thorndon Cream





- Resene Half Tea
- Resene Sugar Loaf
- Resene Proton
- Resene Rose Gold
- Resene Kalgoorie Sands

Left: Invoke old-school artisan-like finishes using products like Resene Resitex Coarse in Resene Sugar Loaf with vases in (from front to back) Resene Rose Gold metallic over a base of Resene Kalgoorie Sands, Resene Gold Dust metallic over a base of Resene Apache and Resene Proton metallic over a base of Resene Copyrite.

top tip

Resene FX Paint Effects medium looks different depending on whether you choose to go light over dark or dark over light.



Left: Basecoat in Resene Sante Fe with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Alpaca applied on top.

Far left: Basecoat painted in Resene Alpaca with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Sante Fe applied on top.

- Resene Alpaca
- Resene Sante Fe

paper texture

- Resene Copyrite
- Resene Gold Dust
- Resene Apache

If you're finding it tricky to choose a wallpaper that suits your current room palette, try a Resene Anaglypta wallpaper, which is designed to be painted over. Choose from a range of textures, then apply your favourite Resene colour over the top. It's an easy way to get the texture you want in just the right colour to suit your decorating plans.



Above: Resene Wallpaper Collection 395851 resembles a manicured Japanese zen garden, perfect for a backdrop that is neutral but eye-catching.

Right: Resene Wallpaper Collection 395825 offers moody geometric texture for an on-trend mid-century modern look. Continue the tones onto the floor with Resene Colorwood Dark Ebony wood stain and team with trims in Resene Black White.

- Resene Black White
- Resene Colorwood Dark Ebony

Resene Wallpaper Collection 395825



beautiful brushstrokes



A retaliation to design industrialisation and digitisation is a resurgence in artistic styles. One trend that's big right now is the brushstroke look where you can add bold strokes of paint in a different shade over your base wall colour. It can be a really fun, creative way to add texture and interest to large stretches of wall, and some complexity and interest to your colour palette.

Try a subtle neutral base colour like the soft pink of Resene Wax Flower and add edginess by overlaying it with strokes of deeper Resene Cab Sav. Add a layer of wispy white with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Scotch Mist. Or go for a more monochrome look with Resene Half New Denim Blue, then add brushstrokes in Resene Half Athens Grey.

Using Resene FX Paint Effects helps give your brushstrokes that textured, slightly worn effect.

Experiment on a spare piece of cardboard, plasterboard or wood, trying different types of brushstrokes to get the desired effect. Go random and sweeping, or try more considered shapes and patterns.



Resene
Cab Sav



Resene
Scotch Mist

Left: Abstract whimsy and self-expression are the modern way to really embed your personality and design vision into your interiors. This hand-painted finish is achieved with a wall painted in Resene Wax Flower with brushstroke effect in Resene Cab Sav and Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Scotch Mist. The floor is a warm contrast in Resene Cab Sav. Vases in Resene Wax Flower and Resene Scotch Mist. Table from Good Form, bedding from Foxtrot Home, cushions from Mulberi.

Resene
Wax Flower

Resene
Half Athens Grey


top tip

Use Resene testpots to try your Resene FX Paint Effects medium combinations before committing to the whole wall. Then use your sample panel as a reference panel to help keep your wall painting on track.



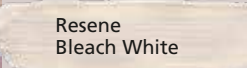
Resene
Half New Denim Blue

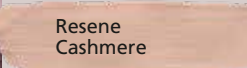


 Resene
Dover White

top tip

Add Resene Hot Weather Additive to your paint to slow down the drying and give you more time to create your brushstroke effect.

 Resene
Bleach White

 Resene
Cashmere

 Resene
Tom Tom

 Resene
Blackjack

Above: Brushstroke textures can be smaller and more considered to create a repeat pattern effect that is still organic and random. This wall is painted in Resene Bleach White with brushstroke texture in Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Cashmere. The warm neutral floor in Resene Dover White and skirting board in Resene Bleach White both help accentuate the feature wall pattern. Contrasting headboard in Resene Caffeine, DIY stacked box table in Resene Tom Tom, large vase with handles in Resene Karry, seashell vase in Resene Cashmere and skinny fluted vase in Resene Dover White. Rug from The Ivy House, bedlinen, cushions and quilt from H&M Home.

 Resene
Caffeine

 Resene
Karry

 Resene
Cobalt

 Resene Colorwood
Whitewash

Below: Put some forethought into your design to create a finish that is eye-catching and coherent, rather than totally abstract. Back wall painted in Resene Half New Denim Blue with brushstroke design in Resene Half Athens Grey and skirting in Resene Half Athens Grey. The left wall is plain in Resene Blackjack making the sideboard, in Resene Cobalt with a squiggle design on the doors in Resene Blackjack, really pop. The floor is finished in Resene Colorwood Whitewash. Side table in Resene Blackjack and vases in Resene Half Athens Grey and Resene Blackjack. Chair from Karakter, pendant lamp and glass from Freedom, cushion from Spaces and Graces.



woodworks



Back in the day wood finishes in interiors seemed to come in one solid dark brown stain that covered the wood completely. No more. Our use of wood inside our homes has changed radically as we look for more ways to keep the inside of our homes connected with nature and the outdoors. It's a very simple way to keep the texture and interest of wood, while playing with different colour palettes.

You can finish your wood in a completely different hue like Resene Colorwood Shade or Resene Colorwood Shore Thing from the We Speak Beach range for a colour wash that still showcases the wood grain and character. Or choose a soft wash finish in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy or Resene Colorwood Becalm for a textured neutral backdrop.

And remember, wood is for more than floors. Add battens and board to walls and ceilings for three-dimensional design drama.




Resene Paddock

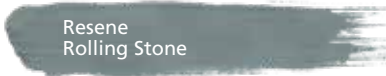


Resene Brown Sugar


Left: The pale finish on the wooden surfaces and walls gives this room a fresh modern Scandi feel. Upper wall painted in Resene Bone, tongue-and-groove panelling in Resene Colorwood Becalm and floor, skirting board and dado rail in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Sideboard stained in Resene Colorwood Bask, lamp base and low dish in Resene Colorwood Shade, plant pot in Resene Colorwood Shore Thing, floor vase in Resene Colorwood Rising Tide, stool and short vase in Resene Paddock, painted book in Resene Brown Sugar and DIY artwork in Resene Rolling Stone, Resene Paddock and Resene Mine Shaft.



Resene Gold Coast




Resene Rolling Stone




Resene Mine Shaft

did you know?


The Resene Colorwood We Speak Beach range is a colour wash as opposed to a wood stain. Both enhance the timber colour and allow the timber grain to show through. Colour washes, like Resene Colorwood Whitewash, sit on top of the surface of the timber and can be applied over already varnished surfaces, whereas Resene Colorwood stains penetrate into the timber grain and need existing varnishes removed before application.




Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy



Resene Colorwood Becalm



Resene Colorwood Whitewash



Resene Colorwood Bask



Resene Concrete




Resene Half Biscotti




Resene Wafer



Resene Bone 


Left: Create the perfect beachy backdrop by mixing wood stains and washes with other earthy shades. Background in Resene Colorwood Becalm and plate in Resene Colorwood Shade. Vases in (from top to bottom) Resene Mine Shaft, Resene Rolling Stone and Resene Paddock, faux coral in Resene Bone and driftwood in (clockwise from left) Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, Resene Colorwood Becalm, Resene Bask, Resene Colorwood Shore Thing, Resene Colorwood Rising Tide and Resene Colorwood Shade.

 Trend: nature
See page 8





Right: There's no need to restrict yourself to a palette of browns to showcase wood finishes. Walls in Resene Concrete complemented by wood battens finished in Resene Colorwood Shore Thing allow the timber grain to show through. Stool and candleholder in Resene Colorwood Bask, sideboard and coffee table in Resene Triple Concrete, vases in Resene Shore Thing and Resene Rising Tide and tealight holder in Resene Nocturnal. Sofa from Freedom, cushions from Adairs.





Resene Nocturnal 

Above: Celebrate the grain and texture of wooden surfaces to bring subtle, natural elegance to any room. Right wall, floor and vase in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy and left wall in Resene Half Biscotti. Headboard, sideboard, stool and candleholder in Resene Colorwood Bask, plant pot in Resene Colorwood Becalm and painted books in Resene Wafer, Resene Gold Coast and Resene Half Biscotti. Bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, linen cushions and throw from Adairs.

 Resene Triple Concrete

 Resene Colorwood Shore Thing

 Resene Colorwood Rising Tide

 Resene Colorwood Shade

tropical touches



In a time when travel has been limited, adding tropical theme accents and art to your home can invoke the holiday feelings of relaxation, inspiration, exploration and adventure without having to navigate borders and long haul flights.

The trick is to capture the colours, moods, styles and memories that come to mind when you think of a destination you want to emulate, rather than trying to meticulously recreate a specific location.

Maybe you want to capture that pool-side vibe with the colours of the sky in Resene Polo Blue and Resene Rainee and views of Mediterranean towns in Resene High Tide and Resene Martini. Or perhaps you want to recreate the lush serenity of a tropical rainforest with deep botanical shades like Resene Olive Green or the old school luxe of a hotel foyer with velvets and printed wallpapers. The world is your design oyster.

Left: Recreate a Mediterranean poolside villa escape with a mural painted in Resene Polo Blue (sky), Resene Paradise (pool and agave), Resene Rainee (highlights on agave), Resene Soothe (highlights on agave), Resene Swirl (main wall and steps), Resene Swirl (left wall), Resene Martini (ground, step sides and door and window sides), Resene High Tide (door and window) and Resene Half Black White (pool edge). Pavers in Resene Concrete Stain Bleached Grey, large plant pot in Resene Half Black White and rattan plant stand in Resene Half Black White with pot in Resene Polo Blue. On the table, tray in Resene Polo Blue with pot in Resene High Tide and vase in Resene Rainee. Lounger and table from Poynters, towel from Tessuti, faux plants from Nood.

-  Resene Half Black White
-  Resene Swirl
-  Resene Soothe
-  Resene Martini
-  Resene Rainee
-  Resene Polo Blue
-  Resene Paradise
-  Resene High Tide
-  Resene Concrete Stain Bleached Grey

Below: Get bold and creative with a hand-painted palm tree in Resene Celeste against a dark night sky in Resene Olive Green and a sandy-toned floor and lamp in Resene Spanish White. Stool in Resene Celeste. Headboard from Cane Collective, bedlinen from Mood Store, throw from H&M Home.

Resene Celeste
 Resene Spanish White
 Resene Olive Green



Resene Wallpaper
Collection 91101

Above: Resene Wallpaper Collection 91101 brings instant tropical appeal. Add hotel chic with a faux-tile floor painted in Resene Midnight Moss and Resene China Ivory, against a wainscoted wall in Resene Merino.

Resene China Ivory
 Resene Midnight Moss



outstanding outdoors

Some of the most popular interior colour and design styles are also finding their way to our home exteriors, as we aim for seamless transitions between inside and out. These include the use of warmer neutrals like Resene Triple White Pointer, or Resene Carrara, with the warmth of Resene Uluru wood stain.

On the flipside many of us are appreciating the power of colour on our exteriors to give our homes the uplifting individual touches we love inside. When choosing bolder exterior colours think about the landscape your home sits in or the colours in your garden to find inspiration – whether it's beachy blues like Resene Duck Egg Blue or vibrant sunset shades like corals or leafy greens.



Textured or washed-looking finishes like Resene Sandtex in Resene Foggy Grey are also increasingly popular as a simple, effective way to add interest and flair to outdoor spaces. Bold colours on wood finishes in shades like Resene Woodsman Iroko stain or Resene Nocturnal provide drama and impact and put a modern spin on traditional wood finishes.


For those that prefer more neutral shades but still want to add a splash of something bolder, painted front doors are still a hugely popular trend. Deep reds, bold golds, burnt oranges and grass greens are all finding their way on to exterior doors.





top tip

Exposure to UV light causes timber to lose its colour and grey, so always protect any outdoor timber cladding on your home with an exterior wood stain or paint. Resene CoolColour paints and stains reflect more heat to keep surfaces cooler than the normal colour.

-  Resene Alabaster
-  Resene Emerge
-  Resene Rising Tide
-  Resene Nocturnal

 Resene Triple White Pointer

 Resene Woodsman Uluru

 Resene Woodsman Iroko

Above: The warm, textured tones of the wall and floor of this patio area create a sheltered inviting outdoor area. Wall painted in Resene Triple White Pointer with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Carrara to create a textured finish. Table in Resene Duck Egg Blue with tray in Resene Emerge and vase in Resene Rising Tide. Sofa, cushions and rug from Outside Space, carafe from H&M Home.



Resene Eighth
Canterbury Clay

Resene Double
Spanish White

Resene Half
Canterbury Clay

Below: The right mix of colours and techniques outdoors can transport you anywhere. This textured wall painted in Resene Half Canterbury Clay with Resene FX Paint Effects medium mixed with Resene Eighth Canterbury Clay and Resene Double Spanish White invokes the warmth of a Mediterranean patio. Shutters and windowsill in Resene Kangaroo with cobbled patio floor in Resene Half Canterbury Clay, Resene Eighth Canterbury Clay, Resene Double Spanish White, Resene Blanc, Resene Paris White and Resene Half Spanish White. The amphora vase is Resene FX Faux Rust Effect. Table and chair from Jardin.



Resene
Blanc

Resene
Kangaroo

Resene
Pale Slate

Resene
Foggy Grey

Resene
Half Spanish
White

Resene
Duck Egg Blue

Above: Darker shades can work particularly well outdoors. They recede against lighter colours or when used behind plants to create a space that seems larger but still feels sheltered. Cladding and tall plant pot painted in Resene Nocturnal and decking in Resene Woodsman Uluru. Coffee table and bowl in Resene Mercury, light fixture in Resene FX Faux Rust Effect and ball sculpture in Resene Alabaster and Resene FX Faux Rust Effect. Plant pot in Resene Pale Slate. Chairs from Danske Møbler, outdoor radio and cushion from Good Thing.

Resene
Cararra

Resene
Mercury

Resene
Paris White

top tip

Resene Non-Skid Deck & Path is a great option for painting stairs and outdoor areas that are prone to being slippery when wet.



Trend: citrus
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Left: Subtly contrasting colours work well to create a defined yet harmonious transition between inside and out. The textured exterior wall in Resene Resitex Plastercote in Resene Foggy Grey and decking in Resene Woodsman Iroko, look fresh and sharp against the interior walls in Resene Miso and floor in Resene Thorndon Cream. Outdoor chair in Resene Turtle Green, bench seat in Resene Foggy Grey, tray table in Resene Nirvana and plant pots in Resene Turtle Green, Resene Fawn Green, Resene Awol, Resene Nirvana and Resene Clover. DIY herb planter shelves in Resene Clover with tins in Resene Fawn Green. Sofa from Danske Møbler, leaf cushions from Briscoes, grey cushion from Adairs, green cushion, throw and artwork from H&M Home.

Resene
Fawn Green


Resene
Clover


Right: This modern home by Pete Bossley of Bossley Architects has a dramatic roofline to match its dramatic colour. The cedar cladding is Resene Woodsman Whero, chosen because it recalls the colour of traditional barns. It's cooled down with soffits in Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta.


 Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta


 Resene White Pointer

 Resene Miso

 Resene Awol

 Resene Thorndon Cream

 Resene Woodsman Whero

 Resene Woodsman Iroko

 Resene Woodsman Pitch Black











Above: A sky blue exterior in Resene French Pass sings of summer on this coastal Whitianga home by Cove Construction.

Above right: Nestled into the tussock grasslands of the Ben Ohau foothills sits the Skylark Cabin, winner of the Resene Total Colour Residential Exterior Colour Maestro Award with timber cladding stained in Resene Woodsman Pitch Black that complements its surrounding landscapes and accent beams and trim in Resene Vesuvius for bold impact. Designed by Barry Connor.

Right: Exterior weatherboards in Resene Foundry ensure this Auckland home by Day Architects sits beautifully in its coastal environment, while still seamlessly connecting with the Resene Duck Egg Blue and Resene Alabaster of the master bedroom interior. Protect kwila decks with Resene Kwila Timber Stain or Resene Woodsman Decking Oil Stain.

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|  | Resene Alabaster |  | Resene French Pass |  | Resene Vesuvius |
|  | Resene Nirvana |  | Resene Duck Egg Blue |  | Resene Turtle Green |



other trends

Resene Wallpaper
Collection 91102



Trend: tropical
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chit chat

For design elements that are immediate, eye-catching conversation starters, it's hard to go past Resene wallpaper. Whether you want to go for bold drama in a whole room or a simple statement wall, the latest wallpaper designs are a good place to start.

A few drops of the right wallpaper design can instantly change a room but to really get people talking think about designs that are unique, unexpected or even outrageous.

Playful and colourful options will let you experiment with complementary Resene paint colours in other parts of the room. Try out on-trend neutrals and textures or embrace the trend for flamboyant jungle and botanical designs. That's a great feature of wallpapers - their versatility. You can experiment with different design and colour trends at once, whether it's tonal neutrals, bold nature designs, glamorous geometrics or simple stripes.

Left: Invoke a sense of adventure or an exotic hotel retreat with jungle themed Resene Wallpaper Collection 91102. Glamorous fixtures and fittings, with plenty of natural greenery will help you go for a full immersion experience that will be one to remember for your guests.

Right: A vibrant jewel-toned exotic design, like Resene Wallpaper Collection 99346 is a guaranteed talking point in any room. Go maximalist with a clashing pattern on the floor and double down on luxury with velvet or suede furnishings.

Resene Wallpaper Collection 99346





Left: Use dramatic contrasting colours to draw the eye to connecting rooms. It makes the original space feel much larger and multi-dimensional. Main wall painted in Resene Green Meets Blue, connecting room wall in Resene Hot August and floor in Resene Mercury. The DIY artwork is in Resene Pursuit, Resene Mercury and Resene Vista White. Dining chair, table and buffet from Bradfords Interiors, light fitting from Ligne Roset, sculpture and vase from Michael Joyce, glass bowl, tote and shoes from Faradays.

colourful contrast

Vibrant contrasting colours can completely elevate an everyday room into something mood-lifting and remarkable, but they can also be used to create visual links and depth to connecting rooms for dramatic impact.

Take a plain, neutral bedroom and add bold shades of deep Resene Coast, bright Resene Jordy Blue with a yellowed neutral like Resene Lime White for a beachy, nautical transformation. Or go maximalist with jewelled shades of emerald Resene Fun Green and garnet Resene Red Ochre with finishing touches of gold to create the warmth of a luxury hotel retreat.

Using unexpected or bolder contrasting colours together creates rooms that inspire, but they also expand your design library to include a huge range of eras and places.

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round up

Painted archways are a quick and easy way to makeover a room without the need for complete reinvention. Arches make a great focal point to show off items of furniture or decor, and are an inventive way to mark out different spaces in a single room. Try an arch as a headboard, a dining room backdrop or even to frame wall shelves painted in the same shade. Paint them in a bold contrast to your wall colour or try a tone just a shade or two darker for a more subtle finish.



Above: Create a practical mudroom in your entranceway with a contrasting arch with matching shelves and storage. The wall and floor are painted in Resene Rice Cake while the archway is in Resene Papier Mache and shelf in Resene Putty. The shoe rack and vase are Resene Bullwhip and the tall rattan lantern is in Resene Sandbar.




Resene Putty

top tip

Mask two vertical lines then create the arch curve using string with a pencil attached to one end. Pin the other end to the centre point at the top of your two vertical lines.

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Below: Warm, tonal, vertical battens add a sense of height and calmness to this sitting area. Wall painted in Resene Ghost with battens in Resene Santos Grey, floor in Resene Colorwood Rock Salt and DIY artwork painted in Resene Gumboot, Resene Matakana, Resene Zulu, Resene Jimmy Dean, Resene Santos Grey, Resene Ghost, Resene In The Mauve and Resene Sea Fog with frame in Resene Sea Fog. The vase is Resene Jimmy Dean. Chaise and side table from Nood, rug from Freedom, throw from H&M Home.

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|  | Resene Santos Grey |  | Resene Gumboot |

 **Trend: battens and panels**
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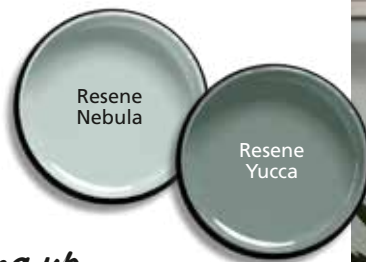
going up

If you're looking for a sense of height and airiness in a space, vertical stripes or lines will make a room feel taller - just as horizontal stripes can make larger spaces feel cosier and more contained.





A wide stretch of wall in a block colour can start to make your room feel squat in shape. Adding groups of three or five narrow stripes, or painted battens, spaced around a room will balance that out by drawing the eye up, rather than out.

This stripe effect is also worth remembering if you're putting in a fence or deck outside. The direction you lay your timber will change how long or wide your outdoor area feels. Looking along long lengths of timber over a deck, then up vertical lines on a fence, will elongate your space, while upright posts will shorten the space and make your garden feel more compact.


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Above: Lining up decking with vertical lines in fencing or walls creates a seamless finish that makes outdoor patios feel more spacious. Grooved wall painted in Resene Nebula, deck stained in Resene Woodsman Uluru, pergola in Resene Sea Fog, amphoras and tall planter in Resene Eighth Tea, medium planter in Resene Cloud and small planter in Resene Yucca. Chair from Poynters, side table from King Living, throw from Città.

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|  | Resene Sea Fog |  | Resene Cloud |
|  | Resene Eighth Tea |  | Resene Woodsman Uluru |

framed

Resene Merino 





The plainest of walls can be easily dressed up with battens, which continues to be a popular trend. But there's another option to create interesting walls without needing any building skills – simply add frames!

Upcycle or buy new inexpensive frames depending on the style and look you are after. Op shops are a great place to find these. Remove the glass and backings – you can put them aside for another project. Paint the frames inside and out with your chosen Resene colour. Use masking tape to decide where you will place the frames on the wall or lay your frames out on the floor and get the combination right before you start hanging the frames. For a fun alternative look, add a mirror, a piece of art or paint the framed area in Resene FX Chalkboard Paint.

While it is most common to paint the frames in the same Resene paint and colour as the wall, you can opt for a contrasting sheen, using Resene Lustacryl semi-gloss to give your frames a subtle visual contrast to low sheen walls.



Left: Choosing a bold, but versatile colour will give your frame design extra impact. Walls, frames and coffee table painted in Resene Thor, floor in Resene Merino, sideboard in Resene Sorrento and tabletop tray in Resene Tea. Vases on sideboard in (from left) Resene Gargoyle, Resene Tea and Resene Sorrento. Sofa from Nood, rug from Città, cushions from The Warehouse, H&M and Freedom.


 Resene Tea  Resene Sorrento
 Resene Gargoyle  Resene Thor

between the lines

Simple, painted lines can be a very effective way to break up large stretches of wall and create the illusion of extra space in smaller rooms. Use outlines to frame hero furniture pieces you want to showcase or create different use areas within a single room. Try painted outlines in bold contrasting colours or for a subtler, shadowy effect try a darker shade of your wall colour. For example, if your walls are Resene Quarter Tea, try adding a painted outline in Resene Triple Tea for a tonal finish.



Left: Simple block lines in Resene Pioneer Red frame this sideboard and make that section of wall feel slightly offset from the dining area, leaving the whole space feeling larger. The illusion is helped with the walls and floor both painted in Resene Athena. Shelf in Resene Scoria and vase on shelf in Resene Staccato. Tray, small shelf bowl and table vase in Resene Pioneer Red. Chair and cabinet from Cane Collective, table from Nood, lamp from Sailor and Scout.

 Resene Athena  Resene Pioneer Red
 Resene Quarter Tea  Resene Scoria
 Resene Triple Tea  Resene Staccato

Resene
Chelsea Gem

Resene
Colins Wicket

tone zone

Keeping to a restrained colour palette and opting for subtly different tones rather than bold contrasts creates rooms that are soothing and calming, perfect for creating at-home retreat spaces. Go for a dreamy finish with soft pastels like Resene Dust Storm and Resene Duck Egg Blue, or muted neutrals like Resene Napa, and bring the outside in with earthy naturals like Resene Tea and Resene Colins Wicket.

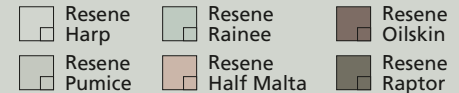
Layer different colour intensities to give the space added dimension and keep it interesting to the eye. Natural textures like wood grains or rattan add a Balinese spa-like finish or add a layer of luxe with velvets, wool and suede.



Above: Earthy, bold colour pops and texture add warmth and comfort to tonally themed rooms. Both halves of the wall are Resene Copyrite but the lighting suggests a subtle tonal change as the shadows fall. Timber flooring in Resene Colorwood Natural, pendant light in Resene Quarter Blanc, rope side table in Resene Sugar Loaf and vases, bowls and painted books in Resene Sugar Loaf, Resene Alpaca, Resene Half Rickshaw, Resene Castle Rock, Resene Tuscany, Resene Chelsea Gem and Resene Raptor. Sofa, coffee table and cushion from Città, rug from Freedom.



Below: Botanical finishes connect a muted tonal palette of greens, blues and neutrals with the outdoors. Wall painted in Resene Pumice, floor and bowl on coffee table in Resene Half Malta, large coffee table, plant pot and large vase in Resene Rainee and basket in Resene Oilskin. Sofa and throw from Nood, cushions from Freedom and Adairs, artwork from Simply Creative, rug from Freedom.



 **Trend: nature**
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












Trend: check
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Left: Painted cork tiles make a practical but fun statement wall in an office. Tiles painted in Resene Bullwhip, Resene Papier Mache, Resene Half Canterbury Clay, Resene Spanish White, Resene Teak and Resene Quarter Canterbury Clay, main wall in Resene Canterbury Clay and floor in Resene Quarter Canterbury Clay. Chair in Resene Papier Mache and pendant light, pencil pot and bin in Resene Bullwhip, desk in Resene White and vase in Resene Half Canterbury Clay. Faux palm leaves from Adairs.

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|  Resene Spanish White |  Resene White |
|  Resene Half Canterbury Clay |  Resene Alabaster |
|  Resene Quarter Canterbury Clay |  Resene Silver Chalice |
|  Resene Papier Mache |  Resene Ravine |
|  Resene Teak |  Resene Xanadu |
|  Resene Bullwhip |  Resene Pohutukawa |

home work

Whether it's the hub for your business, a sometimes satellite office to keep you up to date or a space to pay household bills and organise the family, a home office should offer a comfortable, practical space to get things done. It should be functional and efficient but also inspiring, so sitting down to work feels uplifting. Think about the kinds of storage, shelving or

surfaces you need in your office and be creative with upcycling and colour choices so your office reflects your style and personality.

Try blocks of different, tonal colours on the walls around you so you always have something to look at. If your workspace is in a colder, darker part of your home opt for a bolder accent like Resene Pohutukawa; in sun-drenched offices try cool hues like Resene Green Smoke.



Above: Embrace the colours of nature even when you're inside working. Walls colour blocked in Resene Spanish Green, left, topped with Resene Pumice and Resene Silver Chalice behind the desk and Resene Alabaster on the top block and the floor. Desk in Resene White, chair in Resene Ravine and planter, desktop plant pot and lamp in Resene Pumice. Desk organiser in Resene Xanadu, shelf and drawers in Resene Spanish Green. Artwork from Pop Motif.

Resene 
Spanish Green

wait space

Do you have under-used spaces in your house? They're typically transition areas like a landing at the top of stairs, entry foyers, back porches or a joining point of two passageways.


With some imagination and smart design a lot of these spaces can be transformed into functional, appealing places that add value to how you live in your home. It might be a comfy spot to put your shoes on when you're leaving home, a handy place to perch groceries as you

take your shoes off or a space to sit and wait for a few minutes while you're waiting for a ride to arrive.

Use paint colours to mark out the space as separate from the connecting stairs or hallways, and add features like set down and sit down space, rugs, shelves and good lighting to define the space. Think about what you want to use it for, and design for that so the finished result is cohesive with a clear function.



Left : Under-utilised spaces such as hallways and landing areas can double as handy wait spaces with the addition of a chair or bench. Walls and floor painted in Resene In The Mauve and front wall in Resene Dust Storm. Lamp, rug and bench seat from Good Form.

 Resene
In The Mauve

need a nook

There's no question the way we live in our homes is changing quickly, and often. Most of us can't undertake a renovation every time our needs change - whether it's working from home, or having family come to live with us. Creating new, useful spaces inside the rooms we have is a cost-effective and creative way to make sure your home is meeting your day-to-day needs. And what better way than to use an unused corner or space as a handy nook for something else?

Before you start, have a clear idea about what your nook will primarily be used for. It might be writing, drawing or working on your device. Do you need a second sitting or gaming area to accommodate a growing family? Or do you just want a quiet spot to read and chat?

Map out the space you have available within a bigger room and think about how to frame it with paint colours, wallpaper, furniture or a rug to set it apart from the main room.

Opposite left: Using the same Resene Olive Green on both the lamp and dressing table marks this space out from the rest of the room with its Resene Blank Canvas floor and walls, making it a handy spot to get a little home admin done. The matching rattan mirror and chair also help tie the space together. Mirror from Mocka, chair from Danske Møbler, armchair from Good Form.

 Resene
Olive Green

 Resene
Blank Canvas



dine in style

As different parts of our homes become co-opted for different uses, like school, work or hobbies, communal spaces where households can gather become all the more important.

A dining room can be both a social centre for your household, and a perfect canvas for some creative interior design. It need not be purely functional, even if space is at a premium. Add textured walls, bold Resene wallpapers and plenty of soft furnishings like drapery curtains, rugs, cushions, tablecloths and even throws to add visual warmth and soften the room's boundaries.

Think about the shape that will work best in your space and use paint to play with proportions. Paint the ceiling a bold colour like Resene Indian Ink to visually lower a high ceiling, or try breezy pastels like Resene Gum Leaf to brighten things up.

Resene
Saltpan


Resene
Gum Leaf

Resene
Harp

Resene
Ravine

Resene
Indian Ink



 Trend: texture
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 Resene Colorwood
Whitewash

Left: Soft textures in the paint finish echo soft furnishings to make this dining room feel larger, and more inviting. Wall painted in Resene Ravine with Resene Saltpan mixed with Resene FX Paint Effects medium. Floor in Resene Colorwood Whitewash and side cabinet in Resene Harp. Cabinet from Mocka, dining chairs from Danske Møbler, dining table from Good Form, rug from Baya.

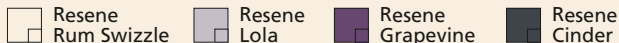
no bounds


Who says painting your room needs to stick to the natural confines of your space?

Painting out sections of a wall is an excellent way to draw the eye to certain areas of a room, or carve out different small areas to break up a large room. For example, block out a corner section by painting not just a section of the walls, but the floor and even the ceiling too, to create a room within a room.

This can be a fun way to create play spaces in a kids' bedrooms or study and reading areas on landings or in living rooms.

And don't feel you need to stick to straight lines and geometric shapes. Play with organic, freehand shapes to create bold backdrops for furniture pieces, artworks or just as unique, eye-catching room features.



 **Trend: darks**
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Above: The smart use of Resene Cinder both on the floor and on a section of wall carves out a cosy sitting area, while giving the whole room the benefit of some bold drama. Main wall in Resene Rum Swizzle and corner block, floor and vase in Resene Cinder. Wooden chair and candleholder from Good Form, bouclé chair from Danske Møbler, rug from Mulberi, artwork by Claire Stapleton.






Left: Playful use of colour and shape that doesn't conform to the straight boundaries of walls, adds whimsy and personality to what would otherwise be a standard rectangular bedroom. Wall in Resene Lola with cloud shape in Resene Rum Swizzle and side wall in Resene Grapevine. Large vase in Resene Lola. Shelving, chair, candleholder from Good Form, bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, throw and cushion from Heirloom.

stylists' colour loves

Vanessa Nouwens

The best colour palette for your space is one that you connect with on an emotional level, because no matter what trends are popular, a room filled with colours that remind you of happy moments will always look and feel good. For me, a combo of blues and peachy orange tones like Resene Moondance, Resene Solitaire, Resene Morning Haze, Resene Dream Big, Resene New Day, Resene Lakeside and Resene Ocean Waves reflects the sun, sand and sea and reminds me of days sitting on the beach, feeling all salty and watching the sunset. Even if the popularity of these on-trend hues fades a few years from now, they will still be the perfect accent palette for redecorating my bach as my love of the ocean will never fall out fashion. Try them layered over a base in a crisp white like Resene Sea Fog for an authentic beachside look.



-  Resene Aoraki
-  Resene Sea Fog
-  Resene Ted
-  Resene Timeless
-  Resene Morning Haze
-  Resene Boundless
-  Resene Rolling Hills
-  Resene Upside
-  Resene Wayfarer
-  Resene Ocean Waves
-  Resene Rebel



Left: Background in Resene Solitaire, plate in Resene Ocean Waves, conch shell in Resene Dream Big, faux coral in Resene Morning Haze, vases in Resene Lakeside and Resene Dream Big, sticks in Resene New Day and Resene Upside and sea urchin candleholder in Resene Moondance.

-  Resene New Day
-  Resene Lakeside
-  Resene Dream Big
-  Resene Moondance

Greer Clayton




Taking inspiration from nature and noting some standout hues while tramping in beautiful Abel Tasman and Queen Charlotte Sound recently I'm looking skyward to tones like Resene Ted alongside Resene Rebel and winding into earthier Resene Rolling Hills. I would love to use the darker colours on an exterior while Resene Ted makes a superb colour for kitchen cabinetry or for bedroom walls accented with Resene Aoraki. I also love Resene Boundless as a bold contrast colour for a statement piece of furniture.

Above: Background in Resene Timeless, bowl in Resene Aoraki and vases in (clockwise from left) Resene Rolling Hills, Resene Boundless, Resene Rebel and Resene Wayfarer.

Shelby George


I am loving the deliciously warm browns from Resene's latest fashion range – especially Resene Otter, Resene Rebel and Resene Dark Chocolate. Resene Heliotrope also reminds me of holidays in Greece while Resene Meringue has a subtle grown-up vibe to it. I would use them all together in a lounge, bedroom or anywhere you want a soft and relaxing palette that doesn't feel overly matchy. I could stop there, but I'm also having a love affair with red right now – which has been steadily finding its way into my wardrobe and onto my bookshelf. Replace Resene Rebel and Resene Dark Chocolate with a touch of vibrant but not overpowering Resene Roadster and you have a chill palette with a fun twist.

Left: Background in Resene Meringue, large bowl in Resene Otter, small bowl in Resene Heliotrope and painted vases in (clockwise from left) Resene Roadster, Resene Rebel and Resene Dark Chocolate.




 Resene Roadster  Resene Rebel  Resene Dark Chocolate

Amber Armitage

Soft and dusty with a touch of pastoral whimsy, this colour palette embodies true romance. Think of barely-there colours such as Resene Inspire, Resene Timeless and Resene Springtime as an alternative to whites and neutrals, ideal as a wall colour in dreamy bedrooms and chilled out lounges. These soothing colours evoke feelings of relaxation and rejuvenation. Pair with enchanting violets like Resene Heliotrope, bound to add a sprinkle of girlish charm to any space and add bursts of sweetness with lemon curd yellow Resene Illuminate, romantic pink Resene Valentine and creamy green Resene Smashed Avocado. Resene Top Notch is the finishing touch to round off this palette.

 Resene Inspire  Resene Valentine  Resene Timeless

Left: Background in Resene Inspire, books in Resene Valentine and Resene Illuminate, teacup in Resene Timeless, dish in Resene Heliotrope and vases in (clockwise from top) Resene Springtime, Resene Smashed Avocado and Resene Top Notch. Herb scissors from Blackbird Goods, taper candles from H&M Home.









 Resene Springtime  Resene Smashed Avocado  Resene Top Notch

Kate Alexander

My favourite colours in the latest Resene The Range fashion collection are the softened, mellower alternatives to primary colours. The subtly purple tinge in Resene Heliotrope, the muddied yet not sickly yellow of Resene Illuminate and Resene Black Doris – my new go-to off black purple – deep and rich with soft edges. I would use the three of these in a room with plenty of natural light and well-defined edges, like a bathroom or kitchen. I also love the selection of mushroom taupes and blushes for the way these nature-inspired tones can quiet a brighter palette. I'd use Resene Soul Searcher and Resene Tenor as accent hues in places where I would usually use a bright red.

Right: Background in Resene Heliotrope, lidded dish in Resene Soul Searcher and vases in (from left to right) Resene Tenor, Resene Rice Cake, Resene Illuminate and Resene Black Doris.












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|  Resene Heliotrope |  Resene Ted |  Resene Soul Searcher |  Resene Time Traveller |
|  Resene Black Doris |  Resene Invincible |  Resene Night Magic |  Resene Black Sand |



Megan Harrison-Turner

I'm really embracing the dark side of Resene's latest fashion colours and I'm finding myself drawn to the newest near blacks. Resene Night Magic, Resene Invincible and Resene Black Sand are so much more dimensional and interesting than your traditional basic blacks and they're easy to use in pared back spaces accompanied with soft whites like Resene Sea Fog. But they would also look really exciting with a mix of turquoise and teals like Resene Now Or Never, Resene Epic, Resene Time Traveller or Resene Freewheeling. I'm also excited to use these hues next to soft whites like Resene Half Thorndon Cream and Resene White Pointer to create a coastal 'staycation' vibe supported with indoor palms, whitewashed cane furniture and pale timber flooring in Resene Colorwood Whitewash.

Left: Background in Resene Night Magic, circle vase (with greenery) in Resene Epic, lidded containers in Resene Ted (top) and Resene Sea Fog (bottom) and upright vases in (clockwise from top) Resene Freewheeling, Resene Now Or Never and Resene Duck Egg Blue.

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|  Resene Sea Fog |  Resene Duck Egg Blue |
|  Resene Half Thorndon Cream |  Resene Freewheeling |
|  Resene White Pointer |  Resene Now Or Never |
|  Resene Colorwood Whitewash |  Resene Epic |
|  Resene Illuminate | |

Annick Larkin

Resene
Vantage Point 

I love that a quick coat of paint can instantly change the look and feel of a space, and it's something I do in my own home any time I want to mix things up. My current favourites are Resene Welcome, which is a sophisticated yet edgy grey that makes a room feel like it's cloaked in velvet. If you're not ready to paint an entire room in this intense shade, it's a gorgeous choice for kitchen cabinetry supported with white marble, brass and timber accents – you can thank me later! I also adore the warm rosy terracotta tones of Resene Summer Rose. This dusky hue is reminiscent of an opulent Tuscan villa and is ideal for a dining space or intimate living room. It's warm and inviting, stylish and elegant – especially when teamed with copper or gold metallic accents, icy pinks and brick red tones. Resene Kinship is a refreshing change from white. I describe it as a calm soft greige, but it's definitely not boring. Its gentle warmth adds interest and femininity to a space. Pair it with natural greenery, mustard tones and petal pinks for a chic living space.



Left: Background in Resene Kinship, large bowl in Resene Welcome, small bowl in Resene Vantage Point and vases in (clockwise from top) Resene Summer Rose, Resene Thorndon Cream and Resene Domino.

 Resene
Barely There

 Resene
Thorndon Cream

 Resene
Kinship

 Resene
Summer Rose

 Resene
Domino




 Resene
Savour


Left: Background in Resene Savour, 'gem' ornaments in Resene Athena and Resene Meringue, hex dishes in Resene Pioneer Red and Resene Scoria, square pencil cup in Resene Salted Caramel, rectangular dish in Resene See The Light and tiny round vase in Resene Rebel. Brass tray from H&M Home.

Melle van Sambeek

With the ongoing trend of neutral interiors, Resene Athena is a winner paired with soft creamy bouclé furnishings, light wood and rattan. This creamy warm white feels soft and buttery to look at, and it brings an interior freshness without the starkness of a cooler white. I imagine it with soft sheer linen curtains wafting in the breeze on a warm summer's day. I love it with Resene Scoria, a brick red with soul that conjures up memories of travelling in Italy and Mexico, a classic like Resene Pioneer Red and a dusky pink like Resene Savour for a room that feels like a little Italian café on the Amalfi coast. Just as the name describes, Resene Salted Caramel looks good enough to eat. Warm and complex, it is a great backdrop to softer shades like Resene Meringue, Resene Athena and Resene See The Light in an office paired with lighter furniture and soft furnishings of white, mustard velvets, peach and apricot. If you prefer warm tones, this is a great choice.

 Resene
Meringue


 Resene
Athena

 Resene
See The Light

 Resene
Scoria

 Resene
Pioneer Red

 Resene
Welcome

 Resene
Salted Caramel

 Resene
Rebel



Laura Lynn Johnston

I'm only a few eager months away from moving into a new (to me) home and I simply can't wait to get stuck in to painting it. After spending four years in a rental surrounded with white walls that I wasn't allowed to change, there is nothing that my interior designer heart is looking forward to more than enveloping my space in soothing colours. It's complex and blue-tinged greens like Resene Forty Six, Resene Unite and Resene Morning Haze that I'm currently craving most. I'll look to accent these with a low-key mushroom taupe and a blush suede brown like Resene Otter and Resene Courtyard in the master bedroom. But in the main living areas, I'd use bolder peachy oranges like Resene Dawn Glow and Resene Tuscany to complement the warm undertones in my collection of teak and walnut mid-century furniture and bridge the modernity of the updated kitchen with the home's early 20th century period details. In places where white is needed for balance, I'd opt for the subtly green edged Resene White Noise over a truer white to soften it.

Left: Background in Resene Unite, tray in Resene Forty Six, u-shaped vase in Resene White Noise, large vase in Resene Morning Haze and small vases in (from top left to bottom right) Resene Kinship, Resene Otter, Resene Dawn Glow and Resene Tuscany.



Resene
Unite



Resene
Morning Haze



Resene
Courtyard



Resene
Otter



Resene
Dawn Glow



Resene
Forty Six

Emily Somerville-Ryan

I love the beachy, summery feel that a combination of Resene Timeless, Resene Contented, Resene Infused, Resene New Day and Resene Comfortably Numb evoke. They work well as a team, complement each other beautifully and create a harmonious story throughout a home. The mid-range blue green of Resene Infused is just the right hue to create an intimate living area fading out to the lighter variations like Resene New Day for the kitchen and dining. Soft and soothing Resene Comfortably Numb and Resene Contented are perfect bedroom colours, and pairing them with a cream like Resene Creme De La Creme makes for a really beautiful bathroom combination.



Resene
White Noise



Resene
Creme De La Creme



Resene
Tuscany



Left: Background in Resene New Day, tray in Resene Infused, book in Resene Contented and painted vases (on tray) in Resene Creme De La Creme, Resene Timeless and Resene Comfortably Numb.

Resene
Contented

Resene
Timeless

Resene
Comfortably Numb

Resene
New Day

Resene
Infused

Gem Adams

Resene Illuminate  Resene Timeless  Resene Alabaster  Resene Merino 

I find myself delving deeply into nostalgia and exploring the colours of days past, reminiscent of spending long days exploring the cliffs of Pouto, eating tuatua fritters off Crown Lynn plates and dipping tuangi in cider vinegar. I am also forever trying to bring the outside in, and colours like Resene Off The Grid and Resene Rewilding can do just that in a way that feels fresh, grassy and light. They look incredible in a bathroom or kitchen paired with handmade tiles, blonde timbers and beautiful woven towels. Resene Rebel feeds into that love for chocolate browns we're seeing take over in fashion, which it is also making its way across interiors. This colour is ideal for creating cosy corners and lush nooks and bringing a new sense of depth by layering it with walnut furniture, ceramics and dried floral arrangements bringing you early 2000s chic. Using softer notes like Resene Amaranth and Resene Contour for a bedroom is an easy way to bring soft, earthy warmth into your sleepy haven. But you also can't go past tried and true favourites when it comes to whites – as Resene Alabaster is unparalleled when you need a crisp, fresh and bright white while Resene Merino is effective for bringing fleecy warmth and softness to any room.

 Resene Otter  Resene Amaranth  Resene Contour  Resene Rewilding  Resene Off The Grid  Resene Rebel



Above: Background in Resene Timeless, book in Resene Off The Grid and painted vessels in (clockwise from left) Resene Merino, Resene Otter, Resene Amaranth, Resene Rewilding, Resene Contour and Resene Rebel.

 Resene Creme De La Creme

 Resene Light Fantastic

 Resene Liquid Gold

Right: Background in Resene Creme De La Creme, bowl in Resene Rolling Hills, limes in Resene Aloe Vera, Resene Wellywood and Resene Illuminate, lemons in Resene Light Fantastic and Resene I Dare You, naval orange in Resene Liquid Gold and mandarin in Resene Tuscany.



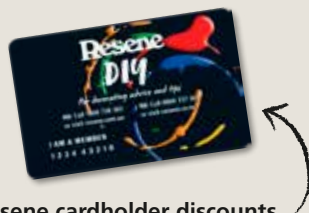
Emma Rawson

Resene Aloe Vera  Resene Rolling Hills 

I'm loving the bold colours that are returning to homes and if you'd like to add a little zest in your home why not opt for a citrus hue? I know first-hand the pick-me-up qualities of citrus colours. Resene Clockwork Orange plays a starring role in my own mid-century home and I love the way oranges like Resene Tuscany and Resene Liquid Gold imbue a sense of optimism and a touch of European flair. Of course, citrus comes in many flavours and there's many other juicy options aside from orange. Refreshing limes include Resene Aloe Vera, Resene Wellywood and Resene Illuminate, or why not toast to la dolce vita with a little limoncello with Resene Creme De La Crème, Resene Light Fantastic and Resene I Dare You. Cin cin!

 Resene Wellywood  Resene I Dare You  Resene Tuscany  Resene Clockwork Orange

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Above: Pair the yellow green tones of Resene Rice Cake with grey toned greens for a soft nature-inspired palette. Background in Resene Rice Cake with A4 drawdown paint swatches in (from left to right) in Resene Beachcomber, Resene Flax, Resene Moon Mist, Resene Eagle, Resene Aspiring and Resene Frontier. DIY rope vase in Resene Aspiring, book in Resene Coconut Cream and vase in Resene Beachcomber. Blanket from H&M Home, cushion from Freedom.

	Resene Rice Cake		Resene Aspiring
	Resene Coconut Cream		Resene Eagle
	Resene Moon Mist		Resene Frontier
	Resene Beachcomber		Resene Flax

Earth tones and nature-inspired design are major trends this season. Create texture through soft furnishings and limewashed walls using Resene FX Paint Effects medium to emulate the look of limestone or cob. Wall painted in Resene Triple Concrete with Resene Half Concrete mixed with Resene FX Paint Effects medium, floor in Resene Concrete, wooden side table in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, pillar side table base painted in Resene Concrete. Tables from Mocka, chair from Danske Møbler, rug, cushion and throw from Baya, sofa, coffee table from Good Form, artwork from Father Rabbit, dish from Asili, small vase from Green With Envy.



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