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Having trouble finding curtains to go with your favourite Resene colour? Look to the Resene Curtain Collection for a range of fabrics designed to work with popular Resene colours. The selection includes fashion patterns, colours and neutrals designed to complement popular Resene colours. Choose a thermal lining or a blockout backing for your drapes to help keep the warmth in over winter and keep your bedroom darker by blocking out more sunlight.



Look for this 'trend spotter' symbol to find out where you can learn more about another hot trend shown elsewhere in this book.

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Left: Textured walls and relaxing spaces finished in light and airy Resene paint and wood stain colours are among the biggest current trends. Walls painted in Resene Morning Haze and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Sofa from Mr Bigglesworthy, side table and stool from Bauhaus, rug and cushions from Baya, glassware and shoes from Father Rabbit.



Resene
Morning Haze



Resene Colorwood
Breathe Easy

welcome

Now that we have started settling into a 'new normal', the time is ripe to remedy the spaces around your home that are no longer resonating with your wants or needs. If your blank walls are looking boring, things are feeling stale or your design no longer meets you and your family's priorities, aligning your decorating with your personality, lifestyle and desires has never been more achievable. Not only is it easier to get the necessary supplies, furniture or décor to transform your home than it has been during the past few years, but there are more Resene products and colours than ever before to help bring your design ideas to life.

In this edition of *habitat plus*, we've curated a selection of the most popular paint and decorating ideas sorted by mood and theme to make it simple to find the perfect Resene paint colours, wood stains and wallpaper designs to suit your style and taste. From the latest trends to looks with timeless appeal, these handy ideas and colour combinations are endlessly adaptable to suit your weekend refresh, add a new feature or guide you as you embark on a total home makeover.

No matter where your inspiration takes you, we'd love to see what you create during your decorating journey. Please do share photos with us through email, Facebook or Instagram, as your creative idea might be just what someone else needs to get inspired to start their own decorating project.

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press pause



Above: Off-white neutrals are easier to be around than stark whites, which can create glare. Wall and arched alcove painted in Resene Double Blanc, floor in Resene Quarter Villa White and plant pot in Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect in Resene Dark Rum. Sofa from Ligne Roset, lamp from Bradfords Interiors, tumblers from Faradays, book from Smith & Caughey's.

Resene
Rice Cake

Resene
Double Blanc

Life in our increasingly complex world has never felt busier, and it's become essential to make space in our homes where we can wind down, take a load off and reduce stress. When channelling the easy, breezy energy needed to create a sanctuary or 'slow space' where you can shelter from the compounding chaos of everyday life, nothing beats airy looks created with light and ethereal Resene colours.

From calming and comforting hues like Resene Lemon Grass and Resene Timeless to soft and reassuring neutrals like Resene Thorndon Cream and Resene Greige, the colour choices you decorate with play a huge role in making your home feel like a haven. In spaces where rest and recuperation are needed, gentle colours like dusted blues, cloudy greys, blush beiges, petal pinks, mushroom mauves and washed timber tones like Resene Casper, Resene Credence, Resene Double Blanc, Resene Soothe, Resene Kinship and Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy are other unbeatable options for building a vibe that fosters peace and quiet. Perpetually popular and endlessly remixable, these Resene hues can be used across walls, flooring, ceilings, trims, furniture, artwork and décor for a truly customisable space that soothes your soul.



top tip

Resene
Dark Rum

Add interest without overwhelming the senses by varying the levels of sheen across the different surfaces in your space. Pair Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen on your interior walls with Resene Lustacryl semi-gloss enamel on furniture and accessories to create subtle visual contrast.

Left: Wall and tabletop painted in Resene Double Blanc. Candleholder and vase from Faradays, bowl from ECC, small dish from Michael Joyce.

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Wherever possible, test your Resene paint colour selections in your space to see how they are affected by your lighting before committing to your choices. Paint the entire contents of a Resene testpot over an A2 sheet of cardboard in two coats, leaving a 2cm unpainted border around the outside. Lean the sample against different walls and view it in morning, afternoon and evening light to be sure you are satisfied with your selection.

Right: In this cosy and inviting space, the Resene Rice Cake walls seem to take on some of the pink tones of the sofa and rug under the glow of warm and diffused lighting. Walls painted in Resene Rice Cake, floor in Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream and DIY artwork in Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect in Resene Rice Cake. Sofa, ottoman and rug from Ligne Roset, side table from Good Form, books, candle, cup and saucer from Father Rabbit.

 Resene
Quarter Villa White


 Resene
Thorndon Cream

 Resene Colorwood
Breathe Easy

recognising what resonates

The journey to creating your ideal 'slow space' starts with looking inward. Before you embark on your redecorating project, take some time to think about what's really important to you and those you share your home with. Do you need an area to stretch your muscles to feel your best in the morning? Does curling up in a cosy chair with a book or magazine recharge your batteries? Would having a dedicated space to paint or practice a musical instrument remind you to take some time each day to be creative? Or would a spa-like bathroom help you to prioritise self-care?

Once you've identified the needs you want your 'slow space' to fulfil, focus on which colours and materials will support this goal. While there are certain colours that have been shown to make us feel more at ease when we're surrounded by them, the right colours for making your home into your sanctuary are highly personal. If it helps to organise your thoughts, create an inspirational mood board or folder with images, keywords and Resene colour swatches that you can refer back to throughout your decorating journey to keep your project and dreams in alignment.

Resene
Eighth Thorndon Cream 



Resene
Kinship

Resene
Soothe

Resene
Timeless

Resene
Casper









Resene
Lemon Grass

Resene
Credence



Below: When life is especially busy, getting together around the table for mealtimes might be the only opportunity we get to spend quality time with our loved ones. Decorating with soothing Resene paint colours sends a signal to slow down and stay awhile. Wall and tray painted in Resene Triple Thorndon Cream, left bowl in Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream, back bowl in Resene Triple Thorndon Cream with charger in Resene Rice Cake, vase and egg cup in Resene Thorndon Cream, plant pot in Resene Dark Chocolate and small bowl in Resene Kia Kaha.

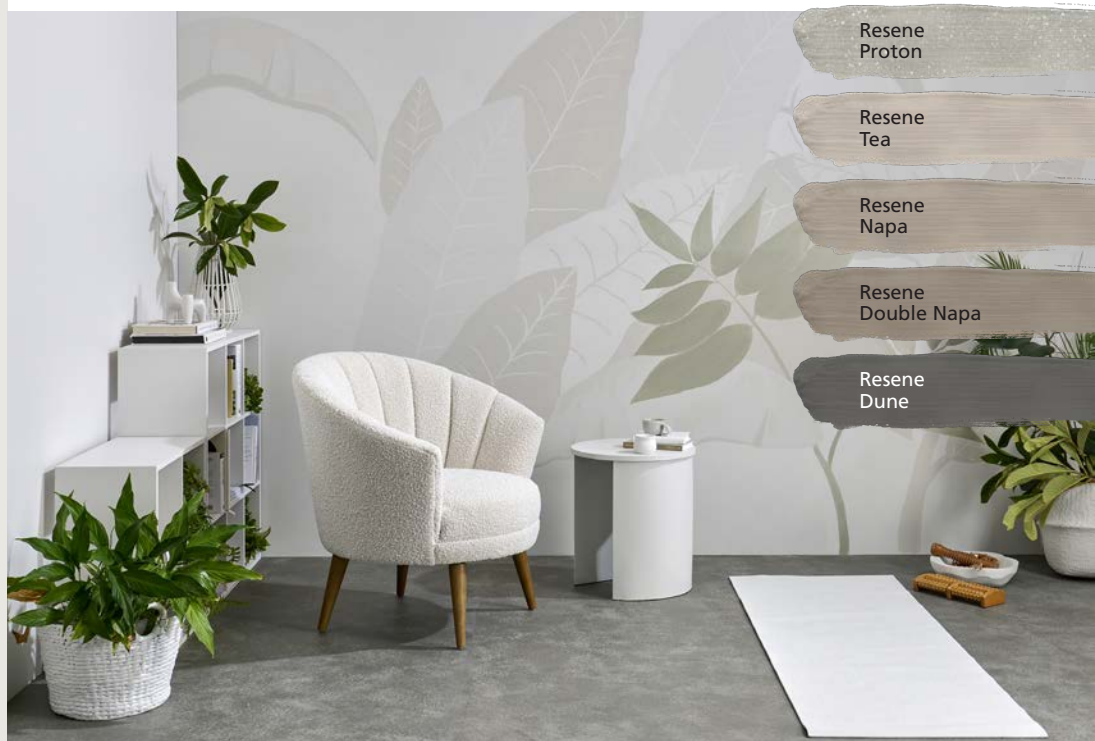


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|  Resene Half White Pointer |  Resene White Pointer |
|  Resene Double White Pointer |  Resene Double Tea |
|  Resene Hindsight |  Resene Timeless |
|  Resene Greige |  Resene Casper |

Opposite: Incorporating symmetry into the design of your space can be especially soothing because our brains love balance. Wall painted in Resene Tea with arches in Resene Napa, floor in Resene Double Tea, shelves in Resene Casper, coffee table in Resene Double Napa and vases, plant pots and décor accessories in Resene Casper, Resene Tea, Resene Double Tea, Resene Napa, Resene Double Napa and Resene Mako. Sofa from Nood, cushions from Freedom and Farmers.

Below: Make space to centre yourself by creating a special corner dedicated to stretching, reading and winding down with a cuppa. Enhance the tranquillity of this zen-like zone with a nature-inspired painted mural created with hushed hues. Walls painted in Resene Half White Pointer with mural in Resene Double White Pointer, Resene White Pointer and Resene FX Metallic Proton, floor in Resene Dune with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Greige applied on top and plant pots and small accessories in Resene White Pointer. Chair and table from Nood.

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|  Resene Morning Haze |  Resene Triple Thorndon Cream |  Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy |  Resene Creme De La Creme |
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Resene Proton







Resene Tea

Resene Napa

Resene Double Napa

Resene Dune



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|  Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream |  Resene Thorndon Cream |  Resene Rice Cake |
|  Resene Parchment |  Resene Dark Chocolate |  Resene Kia Kaha |

Below: The bedroom is often the ultimate sanctuary. Restful Resene greens, cloudy greys and light timber washes can help set the tone for soothing slumber and ensure your body gets the sleep it needs to recover after a stressful day. Walls painted in Resene Creme De La Creme with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Parchment, Resene Rocky Point and Resene Rice Cake, floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, headboard in Resene Hindsight, bedside table in Resene Rocky Point, pendant lamp in Resene Rice Cake and décor accessories in Resene Morning Haze and Resene Timeless. Bedlinen from Container Door, throw from Freedom, cushion and pillowcases from Society of Wanderers.

serene sleeping spaces

Your bedroom design is critical for starting and ending your day with softness. To create the most relaxing space, ensure you invest in the best quality mattress and bedlinen that you can afford. Since we spend up to one third of our lives in bed, this investment pays dividends – both in terms of improving your overall sleep quality and how your body feels when you wake up the next day.

Other things that can help improve your ‘sleep hygiene’ are keeping your room cool, blackout curtains, reducing or eliminating screen time in the hours before bedtime and making restful rituals that set you up for slumber. This could be treating yourself to a bath, a cup of herbal tea or even a multi-step skincare routine – which can all signal to your brain that it’s time to get tucked in.


You’ll also want to think about your paint colours and décor – as these will be the last things you see before you close your eyes at night, and the first things you see when you wake up. Subtle earth-toned or neutral Resene paint and timber stain colours are among the most popular options, as they tend to be easy on the eyes and don’t overwhelm the senses. However, deeper colours can also be an excellent option for creating a ‘cocooning’ effect within your bedroom.




top tip

The matte finish of Resene SpaceCote Flat painted on walls enhances the depth and smokiness of dark and weathered colours in areas like the master bedroom.

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|  Resene Mako |
|  Resene Rocky Point |

Resene Alpaca 

Resene Credence 

Resene Half Lemon Grass 

tranquil textures

When it comes to 'slow spaces', giving your major surfaces a limewashed look is a highly desirable paint effect. By its very nature, this type of look brims with earthy softness and fits flawlessly with other natural textures such as timber, rattan, sisal, stoneware and pottery. Using Resene products to enhance your walls, ceiling or floor with a mottled, nuanced texture is surprisingly quick and easy to do yourself, and there are virtually unlimited options for customising your paint effect to suit your style and space.

For the softest look, it's wise to choose two or three colours from the same Resene colour card. Have the staff at your local Resene ColorShop or reseller tint your darkest tone into Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen or Resene SpaceCote Flat if you want to create your effect on the walls or ceiling. For a limewashed look on interior floors, have your darkest colour tinted into Resene Walk-on instead. Then, mix the entire contents of a testpot in your second chosen hue into a 1L tin of Resene FX Paint Effects Medium. Using a wide, soft paintbrush, apply the coloured Resene FX Paint Effects Medium in a criss-cross motion over your basecoat colour in sections of approximately 1m² at a time. Then, using a clean dry rag, buff your brushstrokes in a circular motion to soften and blend them. Once you have done this across the entire surface, you can go back over thinner areas to increase the effect. Or, you can apply a third colour by mixing a different Resene testpot into another tin of Resene FX Paint Effects Medium and repeat the same brushing and buffing process. If the effect is too strong in certain areas, use a rag to rub a small amount of your original basecoat colour in a circular motion to any spots where you want to reduce the effect.



Trend: tactile textures
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top tip


When using Resene FX Paint Effects Medium to create visual texture on your walls or other surfaces, bear in mind that the order that you layer your colours will affect your final look. While application methods vary, layering a darker colour over a lighter colour often creates a more pronounced and higher-contrast effect while layering a lighter colour over a darker colour usually results in a softer effect.



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

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

 Resene Quarter Thorndon Cream

 Resene Sante Fe

Right: In colour psychology, green blues are among the most calming colours – making hues like Resene Ottoman and Resene Gum Leaf ideal paint colours for creating a limewashed style paint effect to enhance your 'slow space'. Walls painted in Resene Ottoman with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Gum Leaf applied on top, floor and round vase in Resene Half Gin Fizz, cabinet in Resene Gum Leaf, hook rack in Resene Iko Iko, lamp base in Resene Rusty Nail with Resene Half Gin Fizz dry brushed over top and stool finished in Resene Colorwood Whitewash. Mirror from Mocka, floor vase from Città, handbag from Saben.

Opposite: This on-trend style of textured artwork is easy to create yourself at home using Resene EzyFill Quick, a putty knife, an old hair comb and Resene testpots on a blank art canvas. Not only will your masterpiece perfectly coordinate with your space, it's a relaxing activity to create alone or with a friend. Allow the Resene EzyFill Quick to dry fully, which may take up to 48 hours when applied thickly, before topcoating it with your favourite Resene testpot colours. Left wall, small DIY textured artwork and vase painted in Resene Cobblestone, right wall in Resene Credence, floor and large textured DIY artwork in Resene Quarter Thorndon Cream and skirting board in Resene Half Lemon Grass. Rug from The Ivy House.

- Resene Ottoman
- Resene Half Gin Fizz
- Resene Colorwood Whitewash

Trend: textured surfaces
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Right: One of the only truly private spaces in our homes, your bathroom can become a dream self-care retreat when it's decorated in serene colours like blues, greens, greys and whites. Adjustable lighting and dimmer switches can be helpful for ensuring there are adequate lumens available for grooming while giving you the ability to lower lighting levels when taking a relaxing bath or shower. Walls painted in Resene Inside Back with ceiling in Resene Half Sea Fog. Vase from Città, artwork from Kinfolk, hook rack from Father Rabbit, towels from Baina.







- Resene Half Sea Fog
- Resene Iko Iko
- Resene Inside Back
- Resene Gum Leaf
- Resene Rusty Nail
- Resene Cobblestone

reset with recessive tones

Though many decorators gravitate towards light and airy colours for decorating their 'slow spaces', darker Resene paint and wood stain colours or wallpapers can be excellent choices for some areas. Darker tones are often recessive, which means they seem to move backwards. Contrary to popular (but outdated) beliefs, painting the walls of a smaller space in deeper hues can actually make the room seem larger. Taking a darker colour from the walls up on to the ceiling can also create a cocooning effect that feels safe and cosy.



Below: For some, darker wall colours and wallpaper designs are easier to spend long periods of time around as they can help to provide focus and reduce glare. In these spaces, choose lighter Resene paint colours and timber finishes for your floor, furniture and accessories for balance and levity. Wall in Resene Wallpaper Collection 409772, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, divider shelves in Resene Ottoman, table in Resene Trojan, chair in Resene Clay Creek, pendant lamp in Resene Alabaster, basket in Resene Teak and vases in Resene Travertine, Resene Ottoman, Resene Thorndon Cream, Resene Clay Creek and Resene Teak.

-  Resene Alabaster
-  Resene Ottoman
-  Resene Teak
-  Resene Travertine
-  Resene Trojan
-  Resene Clay Creek




soft beginnings

Bringing a new child into your home is an exciting and lifechanging experience. As a primary caregiver, the first years of a baby's life often have a significant impact on your sleep schedule. Decorating your nursery to meet your needs while you tend to theirs can make the adjustments to your routine smoother and choosing tranquil Resene colours such as soft greys, greens, whites, creams, beige and taupe can help keep stress to a minimum.



-  Resene Tua Tua
-  Resene Soothe
-  Resene Ted
-  Resene Tana
-  Resene Pearl Lusta
-  Resene Creme De La Creme
-  Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
-  Resene Half Bison Hide

Above: New babies come with a lot of expenses, so it can be unrealistic to decorate a nursery in all new items. If upcycling furnishings from friends or relatives, create a unified look by painting side tables, chairs and décor to match or coordinate with your cot bedding or other favourite details. In this space, the arch motif from the artwork is repeated in similar Resene colours painted on the side table and canvas tote. Back wall painted in Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta, left wall, battens and cot in Resene Ted, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, skirting board, coat rack, book and crate in Resene Pearl Lusta, pendant lamp in Resene Creme De La Creme, side table in Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta with scallops in Resene Tua Tua, rainbow toy in Resene Ted, Resene Tua Tua and Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta and painted design on tote bag in Resene Ted. Artwork by Samantha Totty from endemicworld.

-  Resene Thorndon Cream



Above: Gentle Resene greens like Resene Tana and Resene Transcend are also among the top colour choices for decorating nurseries. These soft natural tones are easy to be around for extended periods of time when feeding your child or soothing them back to slumber. Wall and skirting board painted in Resene Tana, floor in Resene Triple White Pointer, cot in Resene Eighth Joss, pendant lamp in Resene Half Bison Hide and rainbow toy in Resene Summer Rose, Resene Soothe, Resene Rice Cake, Resene Tenor and Resene Transcend. Bedding, throw, cushion, rug and toys from Little Whimsy.

Resene Summer Rose
 Resene Eighth Pearl Lusta

did you know?

Resene Triple White Pointer

Resene Zylone Sheen Zero low sheen waterborne paint is formulated without adding any VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds) into the paint. Designed for non-wet interior areas, it's a quick low odour way to add Resene colour to the walls of your nursery.



Resene Eagle

Resene Aspiring

Resene Flax

Resene Rice Cake

Left: Use a photo of a favourite vista to inspire your soothing colour palette, like in this relaxed space coloured with stonewashed greys and subtle greens. Wall and floor painted in Resene Rice Cake, coffee table in Resene Eagle, plant pot in Resene Aspiring and book in Resene Flax. Sofa from Nood, faux plant from Adairs, cushions from Freedom, Bed Bath & Beyond, H&M Home and The Warehouse, throw from H&M Home.

Resene Eighth Joss

Resene Transcend

Resene Tenor

grounded in nature



Above: Nature means different things to different people. If you want your décor to take cues from the sky and sea, look to beautiful airy and oceanic blues like Resene Timeless, Resene Epic and Resene Carpe Noctem. Upper wall painted in Resene Timeless, lower wall and shelf in Resene Epic, floor in Resene Foundation, vases in (from left to right) Resene Salted Caramel and Resene Foundation and mirror frame in Resene Creme De La Creme. Sofa, bench, chairs and table from Soren Liv, rug from Baya, preserved flowers from Urban Flowers.

top tip

If you want your interior to fit in perfectly with your natural surroundings, upload a photograph of the view outside your space's window to the free online Resene Colour Palette Generator, www.resene.com/palettegenerator. This handy colour tool will provide you with a palette of Resene colours inspired by your photo that can be used to decorate your space.

Interiors inspired by nature have always been popular. However, earthy looks have become even more desirable in recent years as a result of the pandemic. Many homeowners who had previously chosen to decorate with stark minimalist schemes found these spaces difficult and cold to live in once forced to spend extended periods of time stuck inside. Now, they've turned to down-to-earth looks focused on Resene hues pulled from their natural surroundings. If your home is tucked into bushy woodlands, look to colours like Resene Welcome, Resene Saratoga or Resene Forest Green. If your space sits amongst the mountains, consider mossy greens or stone greys like Resene Bitter and Resene Cement. And if you look upon tussock-covered hills, try Resene Tussock, Resene Apache and Resene Hot Toddy.




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|  Resene Timeless |  Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream |
|  Resene Apache |  Resene Creme De La Creme |
|  Resene Tussock |  Resene Salted Caramel |
|  Resene Foundation |  Resene Colorwood Natural |
|  Resene Cement |  Resene Welcome |
|  Resene Bitter |  Resene Forest Green |
|  Resene Saratoga |  Resene Dark Chocolate |
|  Resene Epic |  Resene Carpe Noctem |


Right: Brown, beige and taupe have replaced greys as the top trending neutrals. Where some greys can feel too cold or flat, rich and earthy Resene browns are full of warmth and complexity. Back wall painted in Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream, left wall in Resene Triple Thorndon Cream and floor in Resene Dark Chocolate. Table, stool and chair from Good Form, sideboard from Ligne Roset, pitcher, glasses, bowls, lantern, candle and books from Father Rabbit, flowers from Urban Flowers.

Far right: Add a chic touch to your earthy green Resene wall colour by pairing it with a range of black and off-black paint and wood stain colours on your floor, furniture and accessories. Wall and hook rack painted in Resene Iko Iko, floor stained in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black and cabinet and tall vase in Resene Blackout. Cabinet from Mocka, handbag from Saben.


 Resene Triple Thorndon Cream

 Resene Ravine

 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

 Resene Half Tasman

 Resene Iko Iko

 Resene Colorwood Pitch Black



natural healing

Resene Cashmere 

Resene Blackout 

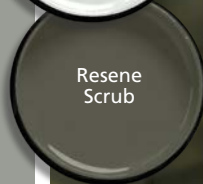
Resene Night Magic 

Our inherent need to experience and love nature is known as biophilia, and it's the root word that inspired the recently coined term, 'biophilic design'. The concept applies to the architecture, interior design and building industries and describes designs that are intended to increase connectivity to the natural environment within a built space through the use of direct and indirect natural elements. Biophilic design is believed to have a host of health and environmental benefits for building occupants and urban environments – particularly in workspaces and schools, where we often feel the most separated from nature. However, incorporating biophilic design principles at home has benefits, too. Indoor plants have proven positive impacts on mental health and air quality, but even faux plants can fool our brains into believing we're out in nature. Using nature-inspired Resene paint colours like Resene Ravine or Resene Half Tasman for the base of your design can also be beneficial as an indirect reminder of the outdoors, as can timber flooring and furniture finished in subtle Resene Colorwood washes and wood stains like Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy and Resene Colorwood Natural.

Left: Surrounding yourself with natural elements and colours while you work has been shown to improve mental wellbeing, which is known as biophilic design. Walls painted in Resene Saratoga, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, shelves in Resene Night Magic and desk edge and legs in Resene Cashmere. Chair from Danske Møbler, chalice and white pot from Republic, dog ornament from Smith & Caughey's, books, artwork and shoes from Father Rabbit, clock from The Warehouse.

Resene Ravine
 Resene Concrete
 Resene Ted

Below: If you have a green thumb, fresh plants are an easy way to bring nature indoors. But instead of searching high and low for plant pots to match your colour scheme, simply look for some in shapes and sizes that you like and paint them with Resene testpots in hues that match or coordinate with your space. Left wall painted in Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect in Resene Concrete, right wall, desk, shelf and plant pot (on shelf, left) in Resene Ravine, large plant pot (on floor) in Resene Half Tasman, small plant pot (on stool) in Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect in Resene Concrete and stool in Resene Concrete. Pendant lamp and beige plant pot (on floor) from Citta.



- Resene Thorndon Cream
- Resene Quarter Lemon Grass
- Resene Lemon Grass
- Resene Contour
- Resene Green Days
- Resene Nirvana
- Resene Tic Tac Toe
- Resene Courtyard
- Resene Kia Kaha
- Resene Field Day
- Resene Avocado
- Resene Forest Green
- Resene Welcome
- Resene Baring Head
- Resene Comfortably Numb

Above: If you have sightlines from one space to the next, carry your nature palette from one room to the other in different ratios. If you use a darker colour for your walls in one space, use it in small quantities in the adjacent space. Then, use the lightest colour from your palette for the walls of your adjacent space and save it for minor décor in the first space. Arched wall, left wall and dining chair painted in Resene Scrub, back wall in Resene Lemon Grass, floor in Resene Quarter Lemon Grass, bookshelf and dining table in Resene Contour, DIY artwork in Resene Lemon Grass and Resene Contour and vases, bowls and décor accessories in Resene Thorndon Cream, Resene Lemon Grass, Resene Nirvana, Resene Tic Tac Toe, Resene Scrub, Resene Green Days and Resene Contour. Glass spotted vase from Nood, candle from The Warehouse.

suit your surroundings

Our natural environment is made up of a bounty of diverse colours but looking to your immediate surroundings can be helpful when choosing the specific Resene hues that will be most suitable for your particular home. The view right outside your window offers plenty of clues to the colours that will look best. If your home is by the seaside, opt for oceanic blues like Resene Comfortably Numb, Resene Timeless and Resene Baring Head. If you live amongst dense bush, try verdant green colours like Resene Welcome, Resene Field Day or Resene Avocado. And if you reside in the mountains, look to earthy grey and brown hues like Resene Courtyard, Resene Ted or Resene Kia Kaha.

- Resene Timeless
- Resene Hot Toddy
- Resene Apache
- Resene Summer Rose



Resene Marzipan



Above: Pay attention to what vistas your space's windows look out to when choosing your colour palette to make it look most natural. Some views will be bluer, greener or greyer, while others might have golds and yellows. Walls painted in Resene Orchid White with alcove in Resene Hot Toddy, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Shade, table in Resene Orchid White with stripes in Resene Hot Toddy, plant pot and large vase in Resene Apache, small vase in Resene Marzipan, lamp base in Resene Black White, tray in Resene Hot Toddy and books in Resene Marzipan and Resene Orchid White. Rug, ceramic wall sculpture and small chair from Good Form, large chair from French Country Collections, sunflower artwork from The Frame Workshop and Gallery.

Left: Forest greens and terracotta pinks continue to be popular on-trend colour choices for decorating and these hues can also increase your space's connection to nature. Walls and chair painted in Resene Forest Green, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, headboard, vase and DIY artwork in Resene Coral Tree, desk and screen edges in Resene Summer Rose and bedside table and desk lamp in Resene Meringue. Room divider from Mocka, bedlinen and cushions from Adairs, throw from H&M Home, pencil cup from Freedom.

- Resene Orchid White
- Resene Black White
- Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
- Resene Colorwood Shade
- Resene Meringue
- Resene Coral Tree





tropical touches

When you live in a subtropical climate bursting with lush greenery, tropical motifs never go out of fashion as they fit in flawlessly with our surroundings. Depending on the colours and designs you choose, tropical motifs can be fun and casual, feel chic and classy or evoke the relaxation of a favourite vacation destination. Painted motifs are an easy option that can be created as small or large as you wish. There are also plenty of tropical designs in the Resene Wallpaper Collection that appeal to a range of styles and tastes. Visit your local Resene ColorShop to see the latest offerings and get the support you need to leverage their warmth and elegance in your home.


Below: Enhance a pared-back space with a natural touch by painting simple tropical tree silhouettes on a wall. Back wall painted in Resene Half Caraway with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Half Nomad applied on top and trees in Resene Craigieburn, right wall in Resene Breathless with arch in Resene Half Nomad, floor in Resene French Grey, bench and pendant lamp in Resene Half Breathless, bedside table in Resene Half Caraway and vase in Resene Hammerhead and Resene Cod Grey. Bedlinen and rug from H&M Home.
















Resene
French Grey

Resene Half Escape  Resene Escape 



 Trend: reinventing furniture
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 Resene Half Breathless
 Resene Breathless
 Resene Tiara
 Resene Half Caraway
 Resene Half Nomad
 Resene Craigieburn
 Resene Papier Mache
 Resene Nepal
 Resene Blue Bayoux
 Resene Amulet
 Resene Hammerhead
 Resene Tangarao
 Resene Cod Grey

Above: For a completely cohesive space, ask the staff at your local Resene ColorShop to help you find the perfect paint colours to match or coordinate with your Resene wallpaper selection and tint them into the correct type of paint to use across the different surfaces in your room. Then, use leftover Resene wallpaper or offcuts to decorate doors, cabinets, tables, lampshades, plant pots, candleholders, diaries and more. Wall, inset cabinet panels, right drum table side and books in Resene Wallpaper Collection 37530-1, floor in Resene Tiara, cabinet in Resene Nepal, drum tables in Resene Amulet and Resene Blue Bayoux, plant stand in Resene Amulet, vase in Resene Tiara and bowl in Resene Blue Bayoux. Sofa from Danske Møbler, cushion from Adairs.

 Resene Blanc
 Resene Avocado
 Resene Gold Dust
 Resene Brown Sugar
 Resene Bud
 Resene Hemlock
 Resene Teak
 Resene Cape Palliser

Resene Moon Mist
 Resene Thorndon Cream
 Resene Woodland

Right: No headboard, no problem. Use a single roll of a tropical Resene wallpaper design to enhance your bedroom. In this space, we used a craft knife to create a cut-out effect on the edges of our outer lengths of wallpaper. Wall painted in Resene Bitter with cut-out wallpaper design in Resene Wallpaper Collection 37990-3, floor in Resene Moon Mist, bedside table and pendant lamp in Resene Hemlock, tealight holder in Resene Cape Palliser, plant pot in Resene Thorndon Cream with stripes in Resene Cape Palliser and book in Resene Bud. Rug from Mocka and bedlinen, throw from Adairs, cushions from Adairs, Bed Bath & Beyond and H&M Home.

Below: Tropical designs don't always have to incorporate green, as this hand-painted blue and gold mural proves. Wall painted in Resene Half Escape with mural in Resene Tangaroa, Resene Cello and Resene FX Metallic Gold Dust, floor in Resene Tangaroa, bedside table and tray in Resene Escape, bench in Resene Cello and vases in Resene FX Metallic Gold Dust. Bedlinen from Wallace Cotton, candle from Miller Road.



Below: Balance a busier tropical wallpaper design with negative space by using it to decorate smaller architectural features or décor, such as wainscoting, instead of taking it across an entire wall or room. Back wall painted in Resene Woodland with panels in Resene Wallpaper Collection 91210 trimmed in Resene Teak, left wall and floor in Resene Blanc, dining table in Resene Papier Mache, chairs and candleholders in Resene Woodland, sideboard in Resene Teak, mirror in Resene Wallpaper Collection 91210 with trim in Resene Teak, pendant lamp and bowl in Resene Crail and vases in Resene Brown Sugar and Resene Avocado. Basket and faux plant from Freedom.



Trend: artistic murals
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enhance and protect

Timber continues to be one of the most popular options for flooring, especially in nature-inspired spaces. For the most natural look, stain your interior timber flooring in the Resene Colorwood stain that most closely resembles your chosen wood's inherent colour. Or choose a darker or coloured option to change the look of your timber. Not only do Resene Colorwood stains add pigment while still allowing the beauty of the grain to show through, but they also penetrate the surface of the wood to help protect your investment from UV damage.

For a colourwash effect, you can also look to Resene's range of wash finishes from the Resene Colorwood range – which are particularly effective for getting a casual beachy look. For neutral options, try Resene Colorwood Whitewash, Resene Colorwood Light Greywash or Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash. For coloured options with subtle pink, green and blue undertones, look to the Resene Colorwood We Speak Beach palette of beachwashed finishes.

As a rule of thumb, most Resene Colorwood stains and washes require one coat – but you can vary the number of coats to deepen the effect. Once you're happy with the look, protect your floor's new stained or washed finish with Resene Qristal ClearFloor 1K waterborne urethane satin.

 Resene Half Tea	 Resene Colorwood Whitewash	 Resene WB Woodsman Japanese Maple
 Resene Gin Fizz	 Resene Colorwood Light Greywash	 Resene WB Woodsman Warm Kwila
 Resene Settlement	 Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash	 Resene WB Woodsman Driftwood
 Resene Papier Mache	 Resene Colorwood Walnut	 Resene WB Woodsman Bark
 Resene Sour Dough	 Resene Colorwood Touch Wood	 Resene WB Woodsman Riverstone
 Resene Streetwise	 Resene Colorwood Dark Oak	 Resene Colorwood Pitch Black
 Resene Welcome	 Resene Blackout	 Resene Colorwood Charred Black



Above: Resene stains and washes are available in small sizes, which can be used to colour smaller timber décor. Or try them on unsealed cork, rattan and wicker items to add semi-transparent colour to baskets, lampshades and other objects to enhance your nature-inspired look. Wall painted in Resene Welcome, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash, table in Resene Streetwise, wall hooks in Resene Papier Mache, vase in Resene Half Tea, timber tray in Resene Colorwood Walnut, basket in Resene Settlement and blocks in Resene Waterborne Woodsman in Resene Japanese Maple, Resene Warm Kwila, Resene Riverstone, Resene Driftwood and Resene Bark. Throw from Città.

go with the grain

While stained timber has been among the most popular flooring choices for decades now, timber-clad walls and ceilings have also been increasing in popularity. 'Natural' timber is hugely popular, but it's important to understand that wood requires protection from moisture, air and UV light in order for your investment to last. For the most natural look, choose a Resene timber stain that's nearest to your wood's inherent hue. Or choose a clear finish, such as Resene Aquaclear or Resene Cristal ClearFloor, to protect surfaces and make them easier to clean.

 Resene
Bokara Grey



 Resene
Tobacco Brown

top tip

To bring a weathered, coastal look to your timber surfaces, choose coloured washes from the Resene We Speak Beach collection, Resene Colorwood Whitewash, Resene Colorwood Light Greywash or Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash to add a subtle wash of colour to timber walls, ceilings, flooring, furniture or décor.



Above: Timber wall cladding is a popular on-trend look that leverages the beauty of the material's inherent grain to add texture, interest, warmth and a natural touch. Wall stained in Resene Colorwood Touch Wood, floor in Resene Creme De La Creme, tabletop and pendant lamp in Resene Tobacco Brown with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Sour Dough applied on top, table legs in Resene Tobacco Brown, chairs and round wire bowl in Resene Bokara Grey, door in Resene Sour Dough and vases painted in Resene Bokara Grey, Resene Sour Dough and Resene Tobacco Brown. Shelves from French Country Collections, artwork by Brenda Clews, glassware from H&M Home, rug from Baya.

Left: If you want an opaquer black wood stain colour for your interior timber walls, ceiling or floor, choose Resene Colorwood Pitch Black. For a softer look, opt for Resene Colorwood Charred Black instead. Plywood wall stained in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black, floor in Resene Colorwood Dark Oak, cabinet and small black vase painted in Resene Blackout and DIY artwork in Resene Gin Fizz and Resene Blackout. Chair and pendant lamp from Good Form, floor vase from Città.

did you know?

Resene Colorwood Whitewash, Resene Colorwood Light Greywash, Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash and the Resene Colorwood We Speak Beach range are colour wash finishes as opposed to wood stains. Both colour washes and wood stains enhance your timber's colour and allow the wood grain to show through. However, colour washes sit on top of the surface of your timber and can be applied over already varnished surfaces, whereas Resene Colorwood wood stains penetrate into the timber grain and need existing varnishes removed before application.

Resene 
Creme De La Creme

turn up the texture




Above: Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect can be used to bring tactile texture to walls, plant pots and more. Left wall painted with a wide brush in a criss-cross motion using Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect in Resene Quarter Linen, right wall in Resene Triple Masala, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, bowl in Resene Off The Grid and large plant pots in Resene Quarter Arrowtown. Chair, side table and sideboard from Danske Møbler, artwork from endemicworld.


Incorporating visual and touchable texture is a sure-fire way to bring sensory interest to your space. While adding chunky, woven textiles made from natural fibres is one popular idea, these items will look more at home when layered over surface-level texture. Gentle washes of colour can be brought to painted surfaces with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium. For timber, the Resene collection of stains and colour washes can be used to enhance the beauty of the wood's natural grain. On concrete floors and walls, the Resene In The Wash collection can be used to create a European fresco-inspired effect. Resene FX Faux Rust Effect can bring authentic-looking aged patina to a wide range of non-contact surfaces. And to bring physical sandy-style tactile texture to interior walls, ceilings, decor and other surfaces, try Resene Sandtex Mediterranean effect.



break it up

Resene FX Crackle is a fast and simple way to add an aged or antique look to small items like picture frames and décor objects, it can also be used to create a uniquely textured statement wall that's sure to stand out. Start by using a tinted acrylic basecoat, such as Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen, one coat of Resene FX Crackle and a final coat of an acrylic topcoat in a contrasting colour. Resene FX Crackle will shrink, causing the topcoat colour to crack revealing the basecoat colour. Your crackle effect will vary depending on your application method, enabling many different effects to be achieved with the same product simply by varying your application technique and your basecoat and topcoat colour combinations. A thick coat of Resene FX Crackle will result in fewer larger, deeper cracks while a thin coat will give smaller, shallower cracks. For a more complex look that's truly one-of-a-kind, you can also create a paint effect on your wall by brushing on another Resene colour over areas of your basecoat before applying your Resene FX Crackle layer and topcoat or apply your paint effect over your topcoat.

 Resene Triple Masala

 Resene Quarter Linen

 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

top tip

Test out your Resene FX Crackle effect colours and application technique on a sample panel before starting your project.



Above: To increase the connection between your décor and your Resene FX Crackle effect undercoat paint colours, use the same hues to paint vases, accessories or your own DIY artwork. Wall painted in Resene Bright Spark and Resene Rusty Nail topcoated with Resene FX Crackle effect and Resene Oasis, lamp in Resene Rusty Nail, tall vase in Resene Blackout, small vase in Resene Half Gin Fizz and DIY artwork in Resene Oasis, Resene Half Gin Fizz, Resene Blackout and Resene Nero.



on a roll

Textured wallpaper is a quick and easy way to bring tactile texture to a range of flat surfaces. From subtly ridged designs to high-relief options, the Resene Wallpaper Collection has something to suit every colour scheme and style. You'll also find a range of anaglypta-style paintable Resene wallpaper designs which you can paint yourself so that you can be positive the colour will match or coordinate with the rest of your look. While Resene textured wallpapers are always a great option for walls, you can also use them to create the look of a tin-ceiling by applying designs overhead. Or apply offcuts to add texture to the inset panels of doors, reinvent an old piece of furniture or recover books, lampshades and more.

Right: Paintable anaglypta-style wallpaper designs are great for bringing raised texture to your home's hard surfaces in just the right colour. In this space, the same design has been applied to a DIY clock as on the walls behind – but painted in a contrasting hue – so that the texture is cleverly continuous. Upper wall and clock in Resene Wallpaper Collection RD5671, wallpaper and lower wall painted in Resene Epic, table and clock in Resene Brown Sugar, dado rail in Resene Toffee, vase in Resene Double Blanc and books in Resene Epic and Resene Toffee.



Resene Wallpaper Collection RD5671





-  Resene Stepping Stone
-  Resene Quarter Doeskin
-  Resene Sea Fog
-  Resene Kinship
-  Resene Courtyard
-  Resene Colins Wicket
-  Resene Invincible
-  Resene Kia Kaha








mottled or marbled

Don't overlook smaller accessories like plant pots, vases, lamps and more when looking to increase the visual texture within your space. Not only can Resene FX Paint Effects Medium be used to give your walls, ceiling or floor an eye-catching mottled or limewashed look, but you can also apply it to décor items that you've painted with Resene testpots to coordinate with your space. With some experimentation and high-contrast colours like Resene Courtyard and Resene Invincible, you can even mimic the look of marble by adding in hand-painted 'veining' to your paint effect with a small artist's brush.

Left: Look for items you already own that you can add texture to with Resene products. These large plant pots make the entryway more interesting while linking together the colours used to decorate the walls and floor thanks to Resene FX Paint Effects Medium. Left wall painted in Resene Stepping Stone (top) and Resene Courtyard (bottom) with dado rail in Resene Sea Fog, right wall in Resene Courtyard, floor in Resene Colorwood Shade, table legs and candelabra in Resene Invincible, DIY artwork in Resene Kinship with border in Resene Invincible and plant pots in Resene Kia Kaha with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Courtyard, Resene Kinship and Resene Invincible applied on top. Lamp and faux plants from A&C Homestore, basket from Bed Bath & Beyond.

Below: Bring real nature elements into your home, such as river rocks, by incorporating them into DIY projects and enhancing them with a waterborne clear coat finish in Resene Concrete Clear gloss. Wall painted in Resene Biscotti with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Quarter Thorndon Cream applied on top, floor in Resene Biscotti, table in Resene Quarter Doeskin, basket in Resene Cement, large vase in Resene Thorndon Cream, small vases in Resene Soya Bean and Resene Jacko Bean, bowl in Resene Colins Wicket and DIY hook rack stained in Resene Colorwood Ironbark with rocks sealed in Resene Concrete Clear gloss.



-  Resene Jacko Bean
-  Resene Quarter Thorndon Cream
-  Resene Thorndon Cream
-  Resene Colorwood Ironbark
-  Resene Colorwood Shade

an air of elegance

top tip

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

Resene Dawn Glow 

Resene Rebel 

Resene Lonestar 


Resene Persian Red 

From quiet luxury and timeless looks to gilded glamour and sumptuous moody colour schemes, lending your home the allure of upscale sophistication is hugely appealing. At the crossroads of understated furnishings constructed from high-quality materials, clean lines and timeless hues, these seemingly effortless styles deceptively downplay the extreme attention to detail and level of curation that goes into creating a flawless look. Though they may seem simple and approachable on the surface, the key to their richness lies in layering tones that are chockful of subtle depth. Whether you consider yourself a minimalist or a maximalist, anchoring your design with enviable Resene paints, wallpapers and wood stains goes hand-in-hand with a high-end luxury look.

spice things up

When it comes to luxurious looks, ruby reds are among the top trending hues. Versions like Resene Persian Red, Resene Aroha and Resene Lonestar – especially when used with warm and welcoming peach and rose tones and spicy browns like Resene Dawn Glow, Resene Summer Rose, Resene Coral Tree, Resene Rebel and Resene Cinnamon – infuse a space with undeniable opulence, drama and sensuality. Pair them with sparkling Resene metallics and deliciously touchable textiles to be on the cutting edge of elegance.


Left: Deep wine reds are a chic choice for creating a colour drenched look, which takes tones of a single colour across all the major surfaces in a single space. Walls painted in Resene Persian Red and Resene Coral Tree and floor in Resene Rebel. Desk, stool, coffee table and rug from Ligne Roset, sofa from Bradfords Interiors, floor vase from ECC, candle and shoes from Faradays, glass from Michael Joyce, red bowl and book from Smith & Caughey's.

 Resene Summer Rose

 Resene Coral Tree

 Resene Aroha

 Resene Cinnamon

 Trend: painted floors
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Above: The trend towards dowel-clad and tambour door furniture has made its way on to walls as an interesting and contemporary idea for adding texture and tactility to a space. Wall painted in Resene Coral Tree (left) and Resene Persian Red (right) and floor in Resene Rebel. Chair and rug from Ligne Roset, table from Bradfords Interiors, lamp from ECC, vase, bowl and book from Smith & Caughey's, mug from Faradays.

Resene Cinder
 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

Below left: When using deep or bold colours to paint your walls, ceiling and floor, keep in mind that you may need to adjust your lighting to get the moody, dramatic look that you're after. Wall and drum basket painted in Resene Lonestar and floor and vase in Resene Cinder. Chair from Good Form, rug from Baya.

Below right: Use a prized artwork or family heirloom as the inspiration for your Resene colour scheme to bring an elegant and unified look to the space it's displayed in. Left wall painted in Resene Twilight, right wall in Resene Zibibbo and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Bed from Good Form, bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, cushions from Città and Father Rabbit, artwork from Flotsam and Jetsam and endemicworld, rug from Baya, vases and stool from Smith & Caughey's.

Resene Coral Tree
 Resene Persian Red
 Resene Zibibbo



more is more

For those who are bored with the starkness of minimalism, maximalist looks have 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 or patterns in your design. And rather than just increasing the number of possessions you own, it's more important to surround yourself with items and hues that you truly love. Whatever your style and tastes, a proper maximalist look is a well-curated one, where everything in the space has importance and meaning. It definitely helps 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.



Above: Rich and spicy wall colours, like Resene Cinnamon, are warming and decadent choices for dining spaces. Carry your colour choice across trims, skirting boards, mantels and other architectural elements to bring a more contemporary look to traditional details. Main walls painted in Resene Cinnamon, hallway wall in Resene Twilight and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Dining table, chairs and lamp from Mr Bigglesworthy, artwork by Hey Maker Studio from endemicworld, rug from Baya, vase and jug from Flotsam and Jetsam, tableware from Father Rabbit and Smith & Caughey's, napkins from Claire Stapleton.



Resene
Indian Ink



Resene
Twilight




Resene Colorwood
Bask



Resene Colorwood
Pitch Black

Left: In a maximalist space stacked with treasures, dark paint colours like Resene Indian Ink can help the walls and ceiling visually recede so that your room doesn't feel as cluttered. Wall and built-in sideboard painted in Resene Indian Ink with wood top finished in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black, floor in Resene Colorwood Bask and plant pot and floor vase in Resene Athena. Armchairs, side table (right), table lamp and rug from Ligne Roset, side table (left) and pendant lamp from Snelling Studio, occasional chair from Soren Liv, books, candleholder, vases and table lamp from Tessuti, candles from Faradays, artworks by Julia Holderness, Ray Haydon, Damien Kurth and Brendan McGorry from Sanderson Gallery, curtain from James Dunlop.

Resene
Athena 

top tip

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



Resene
Half Masala

Resene
Gold Coast

Left: If you're unsure how to make the many belongings and details in your maximalist design feel connected, stick to a simple Resene colour palette of three to five hues and use Resene testpots to paint small accessories like baskets, candleholders, picture frames, vases, plant pots and more to coordinate with your scheme. Right wall in Resene Wallpaper Collection 465327, left wall, low shelving unit and tealight holder painted in Resene Half Masala, floor in Resene Triple Rice Cake, bedside table and candlesticks in Resene Teak, vase in Resene Dark Buff, DIY artwork and picture frames in Resene Dark Buff, Resene Milk Chocolate, Resene Gold Coast and Resene Half Masala, bookholders in Resene Half Masala, Resene Teak, Resene Milk Chocolate and Resene Dark Buff and boxes in Resene Gold Coast, Resene Dark Buff and Resene Teak. Bedlinen, throw and coloured cushions from Adairs, patterned cushion from Freedom.

- Resene Kinship
- Resene Triple Rice Cake
- Resene Hindsight
- Resene Milk Chocolate
- Resene Vantage Point
- Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
- Resene Colorwood Bask
- Resene Colorwood Pitch Black



Below left: Adding details like mouldings, wainscoting and panelling instantly elevate a space. Paint them in a contrasting colour to the rest of your walls – or ceiling, in the case of crown mouldings – to make them even more pronounced. Walls and built-in sideboard painted in Resene Pumice with wood top stained in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black, skirting board in Resene Rice Cake and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Bask. Sofa from Danske Møbler, bar cart from Republic, rug from Baya, coffee table, tumbler, carafe, candle, vases, trays and books from A&C Homestore, wooden bowl, artwork and ink bottle from Flotsam and Jetsam.







Right: Coloured furniture and décor selected – or painted – to suit your rich Resene paint and wood finish colours plays a large role in the overall impact of your space. Tonal green chairs, green coloured glass and green artwork enhance the glamour of these walls painted in Resene Vantage Point and the floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Pendant lamp from Powersurge, artwork by Alan Pearson from Sanderson Gallery, chairs from Matisse, dining table and rug from Ligne Roset, glasses and décor on table from Smith & Caughey's.

- Resene Pumice
- Resene Dark Buff





Above: Nothing is more timeless than a black and white colour scheme, but to make it more contemporary, opt for a subtle off-white and a soft off-black instead. Not only will their subtle undertones feel extra elegant and refined, these hues will also feel less stark and thus easier to live with. Arched wall painted in Resene Kinship, timber tongue-and-groove wall finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, floor in Resene Stepping Stone and timber divider in Resene Colorwood Pitch Black. Chairs and table from Matisse, lamp from ECC.

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|--|---------------|---|-----------------|---|-----------------------|
|  | Resene Teak |  | Resene Allspice |  | Resene Rice Cake |
|  | Resene Outlaw |  | Resene Kia Kaha |  | Resene Stepping Stone |

Below: The addition of alcoves and niches has recently returned to popularity. Paint the rear wall of your alcove in a different hue than your other walls to bring attention to it – particularly if you will be using the area to display artwork. Arched wall, inner arch and upper right wall painted in Resene Outlaw, back alcove wall in Resene Kia Kaha, shelf in Resene Allspice, floor in Resene Colorwood Bask and lower right wall in Resene Outlaw with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Hindsight applied on top. Dining table, chairs and buffet from Bradfords Interiors, pendant lamp from Good Form, tableware from Michael Joyce, vase from Ligne Roset, brass tray and bookstand from Powersurge, soapstone vessel and candle from ECC, book from Tessuti, jumper from Faradays.





 Resene Cloudy

Left: Cultivate a curated look with a worldly floral wallpaper design from the Resene Wallpaper Collection. Then, display neoclassical-style artifacts on plinths to support a gallery or museum-inspired vibe. Wall in Resene Wallpaper Collection E307343.

well curated

If you have lots of artwork or well-travelled treasures to display, designing your space to suit these precious belongings can bring an air of museum-esque elegance to your home. Timeless neoclassical details have also recently come back into vogue, such as Grecian-style amphora vases, busts and marble accessories, which can be incorporated to create a look that's rooted in longevity. Shapely, freeform pottery objects also continue to be popular accessories and their surfaces are excellent candidates for bringing popular accent colours to round out the colour palette in a space. Pair these with romantic floral designs from the Resene Wallpaper Collection for a space that screams old-world sophistication.

Right: A little shimmer sets this space apart from an everyday neutral room. Wall painted in Resene Half Blanc, floor in Resene Eighth Blanc, side table in Resene Eighth Blanc with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Blanc and Resene Double Blanc applied on top, plant pot in Resene Blanc, vase in Resene Triple Blanc and DIY artwork in Resene Eighth Blanc with frame in Resene Double Blanc and 'pearls' topcoated in Resene FX Pearl Shimmer. Resene Echelon Curtain in Earth from the Resene Curtain Collection, chairs and rug from Danske Møbler, coffee table from Soren Liv, lamp from Lighting Plus, cushion and throw from Furtex, clam shell bowl from Father Rabbit.















sparkle and shine

Metallic or pearlescent details are synonymous with luxury. Resene FX Metallic paint colours and Resene FX Pearl Shimmer can be applied to furniture, lampshades, vases, plant pots, architectural details and more to bring glittering glamour to your home. A dated op shop find can become a dazzling addition to your décor in a matter of hours. Add some sparkle to an item you already own or create a unique DIY artwork to shimmer up your space. Make sure you use the recommended Resene base colour for your Resene FX Metallic finish – which is marked on the colour chart.



Left: A shimmering headboard, side table, artwork and décor created with Resene FX Metallic paint makes for a uniquely glamorous bedroom. Wall painted in Resene Cloud, floor in Resene Half Cloud, pendant lamp in Resene Half Gravel, headboard shelf, DIY textured artwork and ball ornament in Resene FX Metallic Pure Pewter over Resene Chicago, bedside table and tall vase in Resene FX Metallic Proton over Resene Copyrite, bowl in Resene Cloudy and DIY wooden candlesticks in Resene Copyrite and Resene FX Metallic Pure Pewter. Bedlinen from Adairs, cushions from Freedom, taper candles from Superette, pewter flowers from Flux Boutique.

-  Resene Half Cloud
-  Resene Eighth Blanc
-  Resene Half Blanc
-  Resene Blanc
-  Resene Double Blanc
-  Resene Triple Blanc
-  Resene Cloud
-  Resene Copyrite
-  Resene Proton
-  Resene Pure Pewter
-  Resene Half Gravel
-  Resene Chicago

The spice of life



Above: Warm paint colours like terracotta feel cosy year-round, no matter what the weather. Wall painted in Resene Hot August and floor in Resene Mercury. Sofa and buffet from Bradfords Interiors, rug and coffee table from Ligne Roset, statuette and bowl from Michael Joyce, candleholders, vase and throw from Faradays.

- Resene Hot August
- Resene Cashmere
- Resene Mercury
- Resene Fahrenheit
- Resene Mocha
- Resene Colorwood Shade

Your interior décor doesn't need to be staunch and serious. Engaging colours and patterns that evoke energy and freewheeling flair are fun to be around and can have a positive influence on your mental health and demeanour. If you're often considered the life of the party, why not design your space to suit and make your home the kind of hangout that friends and family want to flock to?

In the age of fast furniture, decorators are also realising that traditional trend cycles are unrealistically quick and harsh on our planet. The next time you're scrolling and feel the need to order a new trendy item, ask yourself if it'll actually make you happy for years to come. Instead of short-lived purchases, keep an eye out for classic pieces that'll stand the test of time or items that show off your interests and unique style for a mood boost every time you step into your home. Try to buy second-hand or vintage pieces, if you can. Older pieces carry their charm and character, and by using Resene products, these items can be reinvented again and again.


Resene
Apple Blossom

Right: Colour psychologists have found that most of us find red an energising colour and that it can also increase appetite, making it an engaging option for spaces that you frequently entertain in. This sizzling Resene red wall has been given an aged effect with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium to evoke the look of the warm and exotic lands where its décor hails from. It's the perfect look for a comfortable and casual space that invites friends and family to feel at ease and ask about the storied histories of belongings collected during your travels. Wall painted in Resene Fahrenheit with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Apple Blossom and Resene Mocha applied on top, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Shade, side table in Resene Cashmere, plant pot, tray and small dish in Resene Apple Blossom and books in Resene Apple Blossom and Cashmere. Chair from French Country Collections, rug and cushions from Yuva Rugs, lantern from Exhibitionist, glassware from Hunt&Foster.




happy hues


Dopamine decorating, another trend that arose as a result of the pandemic, is focused on leveraging colours that have a proven positive psychological effect to lend your home a sunnier disposition. Pink, red, orange and yellow are considered by many to be positive colours, but what makes you feel happy at home differs from person to person. Focus on surrounding yourself with Resene paint colours, furniture, art and objects that make you happy. Think about what you want to wake up to in the morning and return home to in the evening and incorporate colours and things that will bring a smile to your face.


Resene
Athena 


Resene
Moroccan
Spice 

Right: The key to making fun paint colours like bubblegum pinks and bitter oranges feel contemporary over kiddy is to pair them with simple, neutral furnishings that allow space for the hues to take centre stage. Wall painted in Resene Hopbush and floor painted in Resene Moroccan Spice and Resene Hopbush. Sofa from Mr Bigglesworthy, sheepskin from Baya, artwork from endemicworld.

 Resene
Hopbush

 Resene
Tequila Sunrise


 Resene Colorwood
Breathe Easy

 **Trend: bold flooring**
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Above: Bursting with positivity, blush beige walls are enhanced with a spritz of cheerful orange along the edge of this built-in headboard wall. Wall painted in Resene Cashmere, built-in headboard in Resene Athena with edges in Resene Tequila Sunrise and floor and vase in Resene Quarter Merino. Bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, jug, books, cushion (left) and artwork from Father Rabbit, chalice, throw and cushion (right) from Republic, lamp from Lighting Plus, clock from The Warehouse.

refresh your furniture

Resene
Quarter Merino 

Opting for high-quality furniture in simple clean-lined shapes will stand the test of time, but that doesn't mean that it shouldn't make a statement. Rather than leaving it in a basic white, brown or black, choose a vibrant Resene paint colour to liven things up. If you're not sure what bold hue will best suit your Resene wall colour, try sticking to the same colour family. For example, exciting reds like Resene Whizz Bang look sensational with pale pink walls in Resene Cashmere and steel green-edged blues like Resene Blue Bark bring depth when layered over airy blue greens like Resene Rainee.



Above left: When incorporating happy hues into your home, even a little goes a long way. Use an uplifting hue to create a statement piece of furniture or colour lamps, plant pots or upcycle op shop décor items to bring some extra levity into your life. Wall and floor painted in Resene Rainee, cabinet, tall vase and wall hook in Resene Blue Bark and plant pot in Resene Butterfly. Cabinet from Mocka, wavy vase from Danske Møbler.



Above right: A punchy pop of red applied to the edges of this shelving unit is enough to amp up the positivity in this space. Wall painted in Resene Cashmere, floor, mirror and vase in Resene Quarter Merino and shelf front in Resene Whizz Bang. Artwork, books and bowl from Father Rabbit, faux coral, chair and rug from Republic.



Above: One of the most cheerful colours around, using yellow paint colours in your home can help their sunny hue rub off on your mood. Wall painted in Resene Daylight with arched alcove in Resene Liquid Gold, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy and side table in Resene Off The Grid. Bedlinen from George Street Linen, rug and cushion from Baya, toys from Smith & Caughey's and Allium, books, basket and nightlight from Little Whimsy, jumper from Phoenix and the Fox.



Resene
Daylight



Resene
Cashmere



Resene
Whizz Bang



Resene
Liquid Gold



Resene
Butterfly



Resene
Blue Bark

young at heart

Resene Half Milk Punch  Resene Half Alabaster 





Being stuck at home during lockdowns led many of us to start thinking about our individual taste and separating it from the trends that have been filling Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest and TikTok feeds. Many decorators are now honing their personal style and putting their own personalities forward with more collected items, juxtapositions and mixing patterns, colours and shapes in fun new ways. Approaching decorating with a freer attitude often results in playful Resene colour palettes and vibrant eclectic looks.

Right: Dowel-clad walls and furniture and shapely vases are hugely popular with today's younger generations and are essential forms to include in your décor to make on-trend purples and pinks feel fresh and of the moment. It's easy to unify contemporary and rustic décor textures through your Resene colour palette and by painting items in a similar finish. Wall painted in Resene Heliotrope, floor and coffee table in Resene Double Alabaster and vases in (from left to right) Resene Inspire, Resene Double Alabaster, Resene Petal, Resene Heliotrope and Resene Rulebreaker.



 Resene Hawkes Blue
 Resene Snow Drift
 Resene French Grey
 Resene Rulebreaker
 Resene Sauvignon











 Resene Egg Sour
 Resene Tuft Bush
 Resene Salomie
 Resene Sakura

Left: Periwinkle purples have become symbolic of the digital age and are associated with an optimistic outlook for the future. Wall painted in Resene Snow Drift with wavy shape and shelf in Resene Hawkes Blue, floor in Resene Half Milk Punch with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Tuft Bush applied on top, coffee table in Resene Half Alabaster, desk in Resene Eighth Black White and vases in Resene Snow Drift, Resene Tuft Bush, Resene Blue Chalk, Resene Quarter Moonbeam, Resene Egg Sour and Resene Salomie. Sofa from Bauhaus, chair from Cintesi.



wild thing

 Resene Eighth Black White
 Resene Double Alabaster
 Resene Quarter Moonbeam
 Resene Blue Chalk
 Resene Petal
 Resene Alabaster
 Resene Golden Tainoi
 Resene Heliotrope

Animal prints have long been popular decorating choices for those leaning into a personality-filled look. Depending on your colour choices and where they're used, zebra or tiger stripes and leopard spotted surfaces can bring an air of fun, whimsy or sophistication. Textiles like rugs and furniture upholstery are commonly used options, but if you want a truly unique space, try bringing animal prints to your walls with a custom paint effect. Go for higher contrast colours to amplify the effect and make it more noticeable or choose two similar Resene paint colours to keep your wall design from overpowering your space. If painting your own spots and stripes feels too intimidating, keep things simple and opt for an animal print design from the Resene Wallpaper Collection instead.

Left: Animal-lovers can show their stripes with a custom wall effect painted with favourite Resene colours. Zebra wall (left) painted in Resene Sauvignon and Resene Sakura, back wall in Resene Sakura with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Sauvignon applied on top, floor in Resene French Grey, shelf unit in Resene Alabaster with doors in Resene Sakura and Resene Golden Tainoi. Bed and shelf unit from Mocka, rug, lambskin and brown cushion from Baya, bedlinen from Foxtrot Linen, chair from Meluka, letter poster from Memphis Poster Club, purple cushion and wall hanging from Allium Interiors, night light, rabbit toy and llama toy from Little Whimsy.

artistic inclinations



In rebuttal to our increasingly digital worlds, a resurgence in artistic styles have been making a major impact on home decorating. From painterly looks inspired by impressionist masters to unique custom murals, Resene products are being used in fun, creative ways to add texture and interest to spaces large and small. Whether you want to put a brush to canvas to create a distinct DIY artwork to decorate your space or take your creativity to your walls, there are no limits to how you can put your artistic talents to work and turn your home into a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Not only are many of these inspirational ideas far easier to create than they may look, they're also a whole lot of fun.

Resene
Inspire

Resene
Soothe

Resene
Half Gull Grey

Resene
Seachange

Resene
San Juan

Resene
Hammerhead

Left: Use a high-quality soft bristled paintbrush, clean dry rags and Resene FX Paint Effects Medium to easily layer and blend different colours to create an impressionist or watercolour paint effect. Wall painted in Resene White Pointer with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Half Breathless, Resene Half Dusted Blue, Resene Seachange, Resene San Juan and Resene Soothe, floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, skirting board in Resene White Pointer, mantel in Resene Half Black White, table in Resene Half Breathless and vases in Resene Half Dusted Blue, Resene Half Gull Grey, Resene Hammerhead and Resene Inspire. Resene Living rug from Mitre 10, sofa from Danske Møbler, cushions from Freedom.

Resene
Half Black White

Resene
White Pointer


Resene
Half Breathless


Resene Colorwood
Breathe Easy


Resene
Half Dusted
Blue

make an impression

Have you ever wished you could walk right inside a favourite artwork? Impressionist and watercolour-inspired walls awash in dreamy hues are surprisingly easy to achieve. With Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with an array of soft hues like Resene Half Breathless, Resene Half Dusted Blue and Resene Soothe, you can gently blend your brushstrokes with a clean rag to turn walls, floors, furniture or décor into a Monet-like masterpiece. On timber surfaces, a similar look can also be created with a brush by layering semi-transparent Resene Colorwood wood stains and washes.


 Resene Eighth Stonehenge


 Resene Half Breathless


 Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy


 Resene Colorwood Riverstone


 Resene Soothe


 Resene Half Dusted Blue


 Resene Colorwood Whitewash

 Resene Colorwood Silvered Grey

 Resene Neutral Bay

 Resene Quarter New Denim Blue

 Resene New Denim Blue

 Resene Colorwood Skywater




Trend: timber walls
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Left: The semi-transparent nature of Resene's range of wood stains makes them ideal for creating a painterly effect on timber walls, floors, ceilings and more as, just like watercolours, their colour is 'buildable' by adding subsequent layers. Timber wall finished in Resene Colorwood Riverstone, Resene Colorwood Silvered Grey, Resene Colorwood Skywater and Resene Colorwood Whitewash, floor and bowl painted in Resene Eighth Stonehenge, cabinet frame and ball tealight holder in Resene New Denim Blue, coffee table and tall vase in Resene Quarter New Denim Blue and vase in Resene Neutral Bay. Sofa from Nood, rattan tealight holder from Freedom, cushions from Farmers, Freedom and H&M Home.

 Resene Coconut Ice

 Resene Illuminate

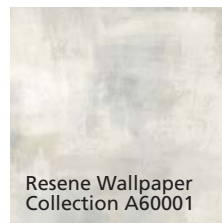
 Resene Roadster

 Resene Funk

Resene Wallpaper
Collection A60002



Resene Wallpaper
Collection A60003



Resene Wallpaper
Collection A60001

Above: If you're drawn to the look of a painterly effect but worry that creating it yourself could be beyond your abilities, go for a wallpaper instead like one of these designs from the Resene Wallpaper Collection.

 Resene Half Tea

 Resene Baring Head

 Resene Skylight

 Resene Indian Ink


freeform flair

Resene Wayfarer  Resene Aoraki 

It's easy to bring your own unique individuality and artistic flair to your space with a one-of-a-kind interior mural created with Resene products. Home murals don't need to take up an expansive wall or span the full surface from edge to edge – though those can be great ideas in the right space. Even a door, corner or piece of furniture can become your mural's canvas. No matter what scale you decide to paint your masterpiece at, be sure to sketch out your idea on paper first before pencilling it on your surface. And if you're having a tricky time deciding which colours to use, pick up some Resene testpots and test out your palette together on an art canvas, storage boxes or plant pots that you can use to decorate the rest of your space.

Right: Carry the colours from your mural off the wall and into your room by painting them on chairs, lamps, storage containers, vases, plant pots, lamp bases and more. When painting curvaceous shapes, it's common for decorators to gravitate towards using a small brush – but this can actually hamper your efforts. Instead, use a wide angled paintbrush with lots of soft bristles, like the high-quality ones available at your local Resene ColorShop, which will keep your hand steadier and help you achieve smooth, clean edges. Wall painted in Resene ColorShop, which will keep your hand steadier and help you achieve smooth, clean edges. Wall painted in Resene Aoraki with shapes in Resene Baring Head, Resene Wayfarer, Resene Comfortably Numb and Resene Carpe Noctem, floor in Resene Half Tea, pendant lamp in Resene Carpe Noctem, coat rack in Resene Comfortably Numb and plant pots and vases in Resene Wayfarer, Resene Carpe Noctem and Resene Comfortably Numb.



Resene Comfortably Numb 

did you know?

You can turn a portion of your mural into a magnetic message board by undercoating it in Resene FX Magnetic Magic. If using a medium or dark colour for your topcoat, ask for it to be tinted into Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen and the same surface can double as a chalkboard – simply wipe it clean with a damp cloth when you need a blank slate.

Right: Take a page out of the tech start-up handbook and infuse your home office space with boundless creativity by painting energetic designs in engaging Resene colours. Wall painted in Resene Black White with Matisse-inspired mural in Resene Coconut Ice, Resene Skylight, Resene Rulebreaker, Resene Tequila Sunrise, Resene Indian Ink, Resene Roadster and Resene Funk, desk in Resene Indian Ink, chair in Resene Funk, coat rack in Resene Baring Head, pendant lamp in Resene Illuminate, file organiser in Resene Skylight, pen cup in Resene Tequila Sunrise and vase in Resene Roadster.



top tip



Resene Black White  Resene Tequila Sunrise  Resene Rulebreaker  Resene Carpe Noctem 

Is your home mural inspired by a piece of artwork or photograph? Bring it to your local Resene ColorShop and the staff can help you find the right colours to match. Or upload a picture to one of Resene's free online colour matching tools, like Resene ColourMatch Online, www.resene.com/colourmatchonline, or the Resene Colour Palette Generator, www.resene.com/palettegenerator, to find similar hues to use in your design.



a room with a view

If your room doesn't have any windows, or if the windows you do have look out on to a less than stellar locale, use the geographic features of a favourite vacation destination to inspire a unique hand-painted mural and you'll always have an unparalleled picturesque view. When creating a landscape mural that features many different colours, use Resene testpots to reduce waste. If you want your landscape to have a simplified, illustrative style, stick to three colour families – for example, use Resene blues for the sky, purples for the mountains and greens for grassy hills. Or, use lots of colours to create a paint-by-number effect. To add depth to your landscape, first separate the colours you will be using into light, medium and dark tones. Paint with your medium tones first then add highlights with your lighter colours and shadows with your darker colours.

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	Resene Illuminate		Resene Soul Searcher		Resene Ted
	Resene Green Days		Resene Salted Caramel		Resene Wayfarer
	Resene Tarzan		Resene Pohutukawa		Resene Vantage Point
	Resene Tenor		Resene Scoria		Resene Times Square

Left: Make an impression with a paint-by-number style landscape mural in a variety of on-trend hues using Resene testpots from the Resene The Range fashion colours collection. Wall painted in Resene White Noise with mural in Resene Illuminate, Resene Salted Caramel, Resene Times Square, Resene Comfortably Numb, Resene Scoria, Resene Tenor, Resene Vantage Point, Resene Ted, Resene Wayfarer, Resene Tarzan, Resene Green Days, Resene Pohutukawa, Resene Soul Searcher and Resene Tua Tua. Chair from Danske Möbler, rug, cushion and throw from Città.

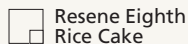
Right: Painting a mural design above a bed can eliminate the need for a headboard. Wall painted in Resene Eighth Rice Cake with mural in Resene Edward, Resene Rainee, Resene Kandinsky, Resene Cashmere, Resene Zorba, Resene Tom Tom and Resene Willow Brook, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, side table in Resene Cashmere and vase in Resene Eighth Rice Cake. Resene Living Roman Alabaster duvet cover from Briscoes, pillowcases from Adairs, cushion and throw from Città.



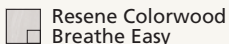
Trend: natural colour schemes
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Resene
Rainee



Resene Eighth
Rice Cake



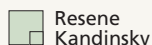
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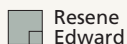
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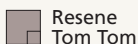
Resene
Kandinsky



Resene
Zorba



Resene
Edward



Resene
Tom Tom

did you know?

You can use plant-based paint to paint your interior walls, like this bedroom finished in Eco Choice approved Resene Room Velvet.

creepers and critters





Choose your Resene colours based on the type of space you will be painting your mural in. If you are painting a mural in a home art studio or office space, you might choose vibrant and creative colour choices that energise you. But if you are creating a mural in a space that's meant for relaxation, sticking to gentle pastel tones that all have a dusted quality to them can keep your mural feel softer and more serene. Instead of saturated verdant greens, this cute headboard mural design uses subtle colours pulled from the bedding to bring life to its creeping vines and adorable insects for a soothing sleeping space.





inspired exteriors

Whether your home's exterior is clad with weatherboard, timber, concrete, brick, plaster stucco, fibre-cement or corrugated steel, there is a Resene product that's designed to protect it from whatever nature throws at it. But when it comes to choosing your colours, the most popular hues often correlate to the style of the home. Resene whites, creams, light greys and blues such as Resene Rice Cake, Resene Villa White, Resene Grey Chateau and Resene Duck Egg Blue continue to be popular options for traditional villas, earth tones like Resene Flax, Resene Colins Wicket and Resene Woodsman Uluru and classic reds like Resene Pioneer Red are great choices for mid-century homes and dark greys and blacks like Resene Tuna, Resene Foundry, Resene Nero and Resene Woodsman Pitch Black suit contemporary styles.

-  Resene Woodsman Uluru
-  Resene WB Woodsman Smokey Ash
-  Resene Woodsman Tiri
-  Resene Woodsman Pitch Black



Left: Timber stained with Resene Woodsman offers natural appeal while protecting your home from the weather. Board and batten wall stained in Resene Waterborne Woodsman Smokey Ash, deck in Resene Woodsman Decking Oil Stain Tiri, privacy screen and plant pots in Resene Ironsand and table and vase in Resene Touchstone. Lamp from Jardin, screen from Mitre 10, glassware from Bed Bath N' Table.



Above: Black continues to be a popular colour choice for contemporary exteriors. Walls painted in Resene CoolColour Bokara Grey and fascia and pergola in Resene CoolColour Black. Design by Atlas Architects, image by Tess Kelly.

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top tip

When choosing medium to dark paint and wood stain colours on any of your home's exterior surfaces, consider using the Resene CoolColour formula. A Resene CoolColour looks like the regular Resene colour but has been technologically formulated to reflect more of the sun's harsh UV rays to better protect your coating and substrate.



Above: Paint is a great opaque option for changing the look of your concrete walls, patio pavers or planters, but you can also add buildable semi-transparent colour with the Resene In The Wash collection of concrete wash finishes. Resene ConcreteWash colours can be applied to surfaces in a uniform manner using spray application, such as on these outdoor patio paving stones, to achieve an even wash of colour. But if you're after an artistic, fresco-like look, you can experiment with how you apply Resene ConcreteWash. On the front two plant pots, Resene ConcreteWash was applied with a brush in a criss-cross manner to create appealing visual texture. Wall painted in Resene Sour Dough with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Blanc applied on top, floor in Resene Walk-on Concrete Clear tinted to Resene Claywash, plant pots in (from front to back) Resene Concrete Clear satin tinted to Resene Stonewash, Resene Concrete Clear satin tinted to Resene Claywash and Resene Double Akaroa. Chair from Danske Møbler, throw from Baya, concrete plant pots from Mood.

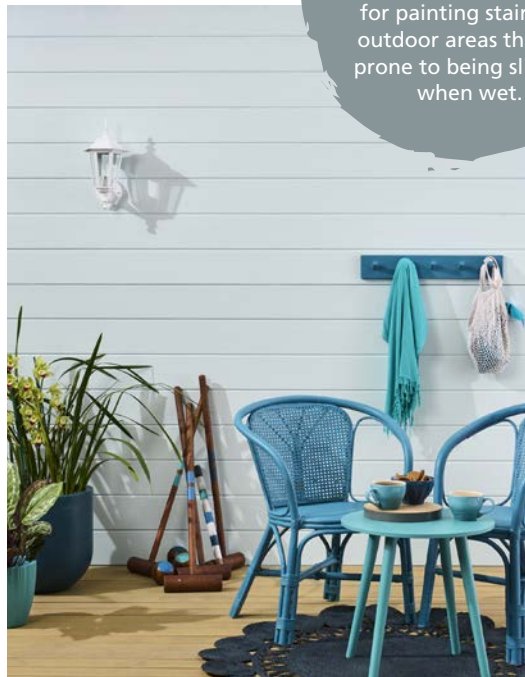
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Below: Bring a cheerful energy to your backyard space by painting furniture, plant pots and accessories in a monochromatic palette of turquoise blues to complement pale blue weatherboards. Wall painted in Resene Carefree, deck in Resene Woodsman Uluru, chairs, wall hooks and large plant pot in Resene Calypso, table and small plant pot in Resene Coast and light fixture in Resene Alabaster. Mugs from Le Creuset, bowl from Stevens.

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|  Resene Carefree |  Resene Grey Chateau |
|  Resene Blue Chill |  Resene Coast |
|  Resene Calypso | |

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.







Above: Grey-edged Resene blues continue to be popular choices for home exteriors as these colours always seem to sit well within the natural landscape. Wall painted in Resene Baring Head, decking in Resene Woodsman Uluru, pendant lamp in Resene Alabaster, plant pot in Resene Baring Head, vase in Resene Ocean Waves, tray in Resene Timeless and art object in Resene Alabaster, Resene Timeless and Resene Ocean Waves. Table, chairs and cushion from Danske Møbler, tableware from Good Thing and Bed Bath & Beyond, throw from Furtex, basket from Father Rabbit.













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|  Resene Alabaster |  Resene Jimmy Dean |
|  Resene Timeless |  Resene Ocean Waves |
|  Resene Baring Head |  Resene Woodsman Uluru |



Above: Mimic the chic look of Mediterranean tiles on your patio pavers by hand-painting or stencilling them in an array of complementary designs. Weatherboards painted in Resene Half Grey Chateau, patio floor in Resene Landscape Grey and Resene Off Piste, table in Resene Grey Chateau and plant pots in Resene Grey Chateau, Resene Poet and Resene Jimmy Dean. Chair from Nood.

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|  Resene Poet |  Resene Off Piste |
|  Resene Half Grey Chateau |  Resene Landscape Grey |

Right: Choosing a subtle green tone such as Resene Pumice, Resene Ottoman, Resene Pewter or Resene Ravine to paint the weatherboards of a traditional-style villa helps keep things light and bright while creating enough contrast for white trims in a classic white like Resene Sea Fog or Resene Half Merino to stand out. Weatherboards painted in Resene Pumice, trims and soffits in Resene Sea Fog and foundation and door in Resene Porter.

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|  Resene Half Rice Cake |  Resene Pewter |
|  Resene Half Merino |  Resene Kensington Grey |
|  Resene Sea Fog |  Resene Ravine |
|  Resene Ottoman |  Resene Friar Greystone |
|  Resene Pumice |  Resene Porter |
|  Resene Rakaia |  Resene Bokara Grey |
|  Resene Double Rakaia |  Resene Black |

Right: Painting over a dated façade is an easy and affordable way to give a contemporary facelift to a mid-century, 70s or 80s era home. Brick and timber cladding painted in Resene CoolColour Bokara Grey with edging in Resene CoolColour Black, soffits in Resene Rakaia and front steps in Resene Double Rakaia.

Far right: White and grey continue to be popular colour choices for traditional-style villas. Weatherboards painted in Resene Kensington Grey with fretwork and decorative scrolls in Resene Friar Greystone and veranda and trims in Resene Half Rice Cake. Design by David Wraight Cottages, image by Juliet Nicholas.










floors you'll adore




When bringing your favourite Resene paint colours into your home, don't discount your fifth 'wall' – the floor. With a stencil, you can create the look of a patterned or tiled floor in a matter of hours in just the right colour combination at a fraction of the cost of the real thing. Or opt to bring a bold paint colour underfoot that might feel too overwhelming to use on your walls.

When painting most types of flooring in your home, you'll want to use Resene Walk-on. 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, then finish with Resene Concrete Wax.

Resene
Cest La Vie

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|  Resene Quarter Spanish White |  Resene Half Duck Egg Blue |
|  Resene Double Spanish White |  Resene New York Pink |
|  Resene Spanish White |  Resene Soothe |
|  Resene Wax Flower |  Resene Rewilding |

 **Trend: stripes**
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Above: By measuring from the outside in and using high-quality painter's masking tape, this concentric rectangle floor design is simple to achieve with Resene Walk-on flooring paint. Upper walls in Resene Wallpaper Collection 220482, lower walls painted in Resene Double Spanish White, dado rail in Resene Quarter Spanish White, floor in Resene Quarter Spanish White and Resene Double Spanish White, console table in Resene Half Duck Egg Blue, mirror in Resene Rewilding, plant pot in Resene New York Pink, pendant lamp in Resene Cest La Vie and vases in Resene Spanish White, Resene Wax Flower and Resene Soothe. Dining table and chairs from Danske Møbler, pendant lamp from Freedom.



Above: A blue and white stencilled floor design, window-shaped painted mural and a striped bench and side table bring a taste of the Mediterranean home. Wall painted in Resene White Noise with arch window mural in Resene Eau De Nil, Resene Sail Away and Resene Comfortably Numb, floor in Resene Half Alabaster and Resene Sail Away, bench and pendant lamp in Resene Half Alabaster, drum tables in Resene Half Alabaster with stripes in Resene Deep Teal and plant pot and plate in Resene Eau De Nil.

stencil success

Painting your floor using a stencil is a cost-effective alternative to tiling, and best of all, you can easily paint over it when it's time to refresh your space. If you can't find a stencil in a style or scale that suits, or if you're after a completely unique look, making a cardboard stencil yourself is quick and easy. Draw your own design or print out an online template and keep this copy as your 'master' in case you need to cut another copy of your stencil at any point. Use carbon transfer paper or transpose it onto a sheet of thin cardboard by pressing hard on the outline using a pencil (and a ruler, if needed). Using a craft knife, cut out the parts of the design you want to be painted.

Paint your entire floor with two coats of Resene Walk-on flooring paint in your chosen base colour. While your floor is drying, you can practice using your stencil on a scrap panel or larger sheet of cardboard. Use low-tack masking tape to keep your stencil in place, pour your second Resene Walk-on paint colour into a shallow tray and use a slightly damp sponge or paintbrush to dab paint through the cut holes in your stencil. Take care not to overload your brush or sponge with paint during the process, as adding too much paint to your applicator could result in paint bleeding underneath your stencil. Keep a clean rag on hand to dab off any excess paint as needed, then carefully lift the stencil off and reapply it in the next position.

top tip

For best results when creating a stencilled paint design, measure your surface and decide your pattern repeat first, then scale your stencil appropriately. Be sure to measure all four walls, as you may discover that your floor isn't completely square – which could affect your choice of stencil. Rounder or curvier designs can be a great option in these rooms, which will hide the flaw better than a geometric design.

Resene Half Alabaster	
Resene White Noise	
Resene Eau De Nil	
Resene Sail Away	
Resene Deep Teal	



check it out


When it comes to patterned painted flooring, a checkered look is among the simplest designs to create – and a major decorating trend. All you need is a ruler or tape measure, a pencil, high quality painter's masking tape – available from your local Resene ColorShop – a paint roller, smooth surface roller sleeves and Resene Walk-on in two or more chosen hues.

Once you've rolled two coats of your lightest Resene paint colour over the entire floor surface and it has dried fully, we recommend measuring and marking out all your lines to ensure you have a straight guide to follow when applying your masking tape. A common error made when masking off a painted checkerboard design is applying long strips of masking from one side of the space to the other, and then doing the same thing perpendicularly. However, unless you want gaps in between each of your darker coloured squares, it's not possible to create this look by attempting to paint all your darker coloured squares at once. Keep in mind during masking that your tape will need to be applied on the outer edges of the squares. It's best to mask and paint every other row in two coats, remove the masking once the paint has dried, and then apply new masking around the squares of the alternate rows.

Left: Carry your bolder checkboard colour on to small details within your design, such as wall hooks, picture frames and pendant lampshades, to harmonise your colour palette. Walls painted in Resene White Pointer, floor in Resene Dawn Glow and Resene White Pointer finished with Resene Concrete Wax, lampshade in Resene Dawn Glow and Resene Yogi and wall hooks in Resene Dawn Glow. Bed and ottoman from Mocka, chair from Danske Møbler, linen from Foxtrot Home, shell pillow, whale toy, poster and banner from Little Whimsy, sheepskin from Allium Interiors, diary and tote bag from Father Rabbit.

 Resene
White Pointer

 Resene
Dawn Glow

 Resene
Yogi



- Resene Rum Swizzle
- Resene Vanilla Ice
- Resene Blackberry
- Resene Grass Hopper

Far left: On-trend acidic greens like chartreuse may be an overwhelming choice for walls but can be an eye-catching option for a painted floor. Wall painted in Resene Rum Swizzle and floor in Resene Enamacryl gloss tinted to Resene Grass Hopper. Bench from Good Form, chair from Danske Møbler.

Left: Carry an exciting statement floor colour on to a piece of furniture and give it a glamorous, glossy finish with Resene Enamacryl gloss waterborne enamel. Wall painted in Resene Vanilla Ice and floor and side table in Resene Blackberry. Chair from Smith & Caughey's.

put pep in your steps

Have you ever fallen in love with a vibrant Resene paint colour but worried that it would be too overpowering for your walls? Vivid and vivacious colours can make a stylish statement on your floor in an otherwise light and bright room. Use your favourite classic Resene white for your walls then liven things up with a zesty green on the floor. Or stick to a single colour family and try a romantic raspberry red for your floor with a pale pink for the walls and ceiling.

top tip

Once your final coat of Resene Walk-on is dry on your floor, apply Resene Concrete Wax with a roller for an even more durable satin finish. Or for a high gloss finish, use Resene Enamacryl gloss waterborne enamel.



Left: In a single room space, try choosing a single paint colour to carry across your walls, floor, ceiling and architectural features to unify them. Then, use different accent paint colours to define different 'zones' within your space, such as your sleeping area, your dressing area, your relaxing area and your work or hobby area. Walls, floor and raised bed platform painted in Resene Rainee, dresser, hook rack and stool (right) in Resene Hot Toddy, DIY artwork in Resene Half Innocence, Resene Thor and Resene Green Meets Blue and wooden stool (left) finished in Resene Colorwood Whitewash. Bedlinen from Foxtrot Home, rug, cushion and sheepskin from Baya, screen, mirror and stools from Mokka, vase from Danske Møbler.

Below: Wall and floor painted in Resene Rainee, large DIY artwork (on cabinet) in Resene Rice Cake, Resene Rainee, Resene Deep Sea and Resene Bush, small DIY artwork (on floor) in Resene Half Innocence, Resene Thor and Resene Green Meets Blue, storage cabinet in Resene Deep Sea and wall hook in Resene Hot Toddy.



With the skyrocketing cost of real estate, having an extra space to dedicate to different activities or hobbies is often hard to come by. When you're working with an open floorplan or a pint-sized studio apartment, it's also common to feel restricted by not having 'enough walls' to separate different activities.


More of us are also now working from home for at least some of the week, so a home office area has become a must for many. Whether you need a 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.





















plan predicaments

If it was built within the past 20 years, chances are you live in an 'open plan' home. This building style emerged when homeowners began to feel having a home with each room walled off constrained their decorating choices, and often impacted the quality and availability of natural lighting. The lack of walls and separation between spaces can mean that there isn't enough privacy or sound barriers when multiple people are working from home, or you may find it hard to find a quiet place to sit and read if other members of your family have taken over the sofa to watch television. One option is to erect partial walls or pony walls, which can help provide a degree of separation or block sightlines when a bit more privacy is needed. Since you won't be closing off an area completely, natural light can still flow freely. Or try creating a custom DIY divider screen using MDF panels and hinges for a moveable wall that can block off your work area or quiet space and send a message that you shouldn't be disturbed.



Left: There is no rule that says that a divider screen or wall needs to be vertical. Incorporating an angled wall can help with divvying up a large space without obstructing natural light. Take this idea to a whole new level by choosing an angular Resene wallpaper design to go with it – and use your paint colour palette to connect them. Back wall in Resene Wallpaper Collection 36001-3, diagonal wall painted in Resene Westar, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Whitewash, sideboard in Resene Half Rice Cake, pendant lamp in Resene Parchment and vases in Resene Parchment, Resene Black Haze, Resene Westar and Resene Napa. Chair from David Shaw, stool from Everyday Needs, rug from H&M Home.







 Resene Colorwood Whitewash

-  Resene Half Rice Cake
-  Resene Sea Fog
-  Resene Quarter Blanc
-  Resene Vista White
-  Resene Black Haze
-  Resene Mercury
-  Resene Midwinter Mist
-  Resene Westar
-  Resene Parchment
-  Resene Napa
-  Resene Alluring
-  Resene Brandy Rose
-  Resene Tuscan
-  Resene Edgewater
-  Resene Opal
-  Resene Summer Green
-  Resene Envy
-  Resene Laurel
-  Resene Inside Back
-  Resene Felix



Above: If you need a bit of division but are worried that creating a closed-off room will reduce the flow of traffic or natural light in your space, add a partial wall. Walls painted in Resene Hot August with accent wall in Resene Green Meets Blue, floor in Resene Mercury and DIY artwork in Resene Float, Resene Inside Back, Resene Half Innocence, Resene Thor, Resene Green Meets Blue, Resene Felix, Resene Hot August, Resene Tuscan, Resene La Bamba, Resene Lusty, Resene Pursuit, Resene Sunglo, Resene Brandy Rose, Resene Alluring, Resene Tuft Bush, Resene Midwinter Mist, Resene Quarter Blanc, Resene Mercury, Resene Sea Fog, Resene Vista White, Resene Edgewater, Resene Opal, Resene Summer Green, Resene Envy and Resene Laurel. Chair and side table from Domo, lounge from Ligne Roset, candles and vase from Faradays.



-  Resene Tuft Bush
-  Resene La Bamba
-  Resene Lusty
-  Resene Sunglo
-  Resene Pursuit
-  Resene Float



Left: With access to a saw (or handyman) and a few brackets, a custom built-in floating table is a surprisingly easy addition that keeps your floor free from obstructions when space is limited. Back and left walls and floor painted in Resene Contented, right wall and makeup brush holder in Resene Kinship, floating desk in Resene Four Winds, chair, vases and jewel ornament in Resene Bokara Grey, lamp base in Resene Black White and book in Resene Eighth Black White. Pillowcases and cushions from Adairs, artwork from Brenda Clews, console table from Soren Liv.


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|  Resene Eighth Black White |  Resene Kinship |  Resene Four Winds |  Resene Dark Slate |
|  Resene Black White |  Resene Contented |  Resene Haven |  Resene Bokara Grey |

flexible furniture

Finding just the right desk or work surface that fits your style, needs and available floor space can be a major challenge. When space is tight, choosing furniture that can serve multiple functions is one option for making the most of the area that's available. So long as the surface is in good condition, most furniture often only needs a coat of Resene Waterborne Sureseal or Resene Quick Dry primer before you can paint it to match or coordinate your space using Resene Lustacryl semi-gloss waterborne enamel or Resene Enamacryl gloss waterborne enamel.

When space is really tight, building your own floating desk might just be the ideal solution. Not only will it be the perfect fit for where you'll be putting it, anchoring the table surface to the wall eliminates the need for legs – freeing up more floorspace.

Right: Choosing flexible furniture is an essential part of making the most of a multi-use space. Bringing in a bookcase that doubles as a divider, replacing a bed with a futon and a collapsible table with a corkboard that can double as a work desk are all smart options. If you need to source special items from multiple suppliers, simply paint or stain them to better match or coordinate using Resene paints and wood stains for a cohesive look. Walls painted in Resene Comfortably Numb, floor in Resene Colorwood Shade, chairs in Resene Dark Slate and Resene Emerge, vases in Resene Emerge, Resene Longitude, Resene Haven, Resene Dark Slate and corkboard in Resene Colorwood Rising Tide. Futon from Nood, fold-out table from ifurniture.

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|  Resene Comfortably Numb |  Resene Colorwood Rising Tide |  Resene Colorwood Shade |
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top tip

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|  Resene Longitude |  Resene Emerge |
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When refinishing used furniture that has a flaking finish, cracks or chips, remember that putting in the proper prep work is always worth the effort to get the best quality and best-looking finish. Bring photos of your second-hand furniture find to your local Resene ColorShop and the staff can help walk you through the right steps to take to prep your project properly and recommend the right products for the job. Or, use the free Ask a Resene Paint Expert service online, www.resene.com/paintexpert.

reclaiming space

It can be common to overlook your garage, shed or utility spaces when thinking about your interior decorating, but these ‘forgotten spaces’ offer valuable real estate to eke out an area to enjoy hobbies like gardening, sewing, crafting, woodworking, building, exercising and more – and there’s no reason why they can’t look beautifully coordinated, too. Think about the storage, shelving or surfaces you’ll need and be creative with upcycling and colour choices so your bonus space reflects your style and personality.



- Resene Rice Cake
- Resene Inspire
- Resene Double Spanish White
- Resene Springtime
- Resene Nirvana
- Resene Contour
- Resene Aloe Vera
- Resene Vantage Point
- Resene Liquid Gold
- Resene Dawn Glow
- Resene Amaranth
- Resene Summer Rose

Left: Gardening has a host of proven health benefits, but it can also be a messy hobby so it’s worth planning a space where you can store all your gardening tools tidily. Walls painted in Resene Aloe Vera, floor in Resene Double Spanish White, trolley in Resene Eighth Bokara Grey, Resene Contour, Resene Nirvana and Resene Springtime, bench in Resene Eighth Bokara Grey, trellis in Resene Amaranth, large plant pots in Resene Vantage Point, Resene Nirvana and Resene Amaranth and small plant pots in Resene Liquid Gold, Resene Summer Rose, Resene Dawn Glow, Resene Rice Cake, Resene Inspire and Resene FX Faux Rust Effect. Stool and wall vases from Junk & Disorderly.

Resene Quarter Turbo

Resene Silver Chalice

Resene Stack

Resene Eighth Bokara Grey





Resene Nero



Above: Make old new again by finding a new use for unwanted items. With a little imagination, this old pallet has been turned into handy storage for shovels, brooms, rakes and pitchforks. Wall painted in Resene Silver Chalice, floor and pegboards in Resene Stack and Resene Nero, upcycled pallet in Resene Stack, step stool and hook rack in Resene Quarter Turbo, table and box on wheels in Resene Nero and hanging sign in Resene Stack and Resene Quarter Turbo.

Below: Converting part of your garage into a mudroom and laundry space where you and your family can shed wet or soiled articles of clothing and put them straight into the wash helps keep dirt and debris from getting tracked into your home. Tongue-and-groove panelling applied to the lower portion of your wall painted in a durable paint like Resene Lustacryl can make this area easier to clean. Wall painted in Resene Stepping Stone with stripe and panelling in Resene Tino Pai, floor in Resene Tino Pai with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Foundation applied on top, cubby shelves in Resene Tino Pai and Resene Boris, wall hooks in Resene Stepping Stone and storage boxes in Resene Tino Pai, Resene Stepping Stone, Resene Boris and Resene Domino.



- Resene Foundation 
- Resene Stepping Stone 
- Resene Tino Pai 
- Resene Boris 



- Resene Tasman
- Resene Half Forest Green
- Resene Dune
- Resene Big Stone
- Resene Opal
- Resene Gold Dust
- Resene Proton
- Resene Colorwood Shade
- Resene Carpe Noctem

Above: When your free time is at a minimum, making space in your schedule to hit the gym can be tricky. Use paint to decorate and define a home gym space where your gym gear is always ready for use and it'll be easier to find time to keep fit. Walls painted in Resene Carpe Noctem with mural in Resene Half Forest Green, Resene FX Metallic Gold Dust, Resene Opal, Resene Tasman, Resene Big Stone and Resene FX Metallic Proton, floor in Resene Colorwood Shade, plant pot in Resene Dune and DIY frame artwork in Resene Half Forest Green, Resene Opal and Resene FX Metallic Proton. Gym equipment from Rebel Sport.

- Resene Opal 
- Resene Proton 
- Resene Gold Dust 
- Resene Colorwood Shade 

Below: You only need to step on a plastic building brick with bare feet once to realise this activity would benefit from being contained and organised within a specific area of your home. If you or your child likes to keep bricks organised by colour, paint your storage containers to match using Resene testpots so that you'll know what's inside without even needing to open the lid. Back wall painted in Resene Quarter Iron (top) and Resene Smokescreen (bottom), left wall in Resene Blackjack, floor in Resene Quarter Iron with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Grey Chateau applied on top, desk in Resene Colorwood Apollo Blue, shelves in Resene Popcorn, pegboard in Resene Blackjack and box in Resene Smokescreen. Artwork from endemicworld.

- Resene Quarter Iron
- Resene Popcorn
- Resene Grey Chateau
- Resene Smokescreen
- Resene Colorwood Apollo Blue
- Resene Blackjack



Above: Crafting is a common hobby, and supplies can quickly get out of hand without proper storage solutions. Use different Resene colours to paint storage boxes to delineate different crafts or projects you're working on and keep everything organised. Wall painted in Resene Spindle, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, side table, small canvas noticeboard, chair and large crate in Resene Abbey Road, desk in Resene Surf Crest, large canvas noticeboard, small crate and pen cup in Resene Soft Apple and file organisers in Resene Surf Crest and Resene Half Opal.

- Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
- Resene Surf Crest
- Resene Soft Apple
- Resene Half Opal
- Resene Spindle
- Resene Abbey Road

other trends

lined up

One of the most classic patterns around, striped paint finishes are an unquestionably eye-catching design choice. Depending on the Resene colours you choose to use and the width or scale you paint them at, stripes on walls, floors, furniture, plant pots, vases or artwork can lend your home timeless or bold flair. Thin stripes in crisp white and powder blue, such as Resene Black White and Resene Frozen, can be used to create a Hamptons look, wider stripes in high-contrast hues like Resene Half Sea Fog and Resene Scoria can make a statement in a contemporary eclectic space and hand-painted pinstripes in Resene Designer White over a background in Resene Halcyon can add a casual, beachy vibe to a bach. If you're looking for a sense of height and airiness in a space, vertical stripes or lines will make a room feel taller. Horizontal stripes, on the other hand, can make larger spaces feel cosier and more contained.



Above: Make a stylish statement with boldly contrasting stripes by alternating a classic white with an on-trend carmine red. Walls painted in Resene Half Sea Fog with stripes in Resene Scoria and floor in Resene Athena. Armchairs, artwork by Clare Brodie, flask vase and footed planter from Good Form, coffee table from Bauhaus, stool, lamp and sculptural vase from Smith & Caughey's, rug from Mocka, books from Father Rabbit.



Resene
Designer White



Resene
Frozen









Resene
Halcyon

Resene
Half Sea Fog

Resene
Athena

Resene
Scoria



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|  Resene Black White |  Resene Silver Chalice |  Resene Rivergum |
|  Resene Pumice |  Resene Spanish Green |  Resene Cabbage Pont |


Above: Striped edges have been painted on to selected floating shelves to echo the colours and design of the accent cushion. Wall and floor painted in Resene Silver Chalice, coffee table in Resene Cabbage Pont, large plant pot in Resene Spanish Green, shelves in Resene Pumice, Resene Spanish Green, Resene Rivergum and Resene Cabbage Pont, décor accessories in Resene Cabbage Pont, Resene Pumice, Resene Rivergum, Resene Silver Chalice and Resene Spanish Green and books in Resene Spanish Green and Resene Pumice. Sofa from Danske Møbler, cushions and faux plant from Freedom.

Below: Use two paint colours from the same Resene colour card for a more subdued striped look. Striped walls painted in Resene Half Buttermilk and Resene Marzipan and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Sofa, marble-look table and amber vase from Matisse, buffet from Bradfords Interiors, rug, black table, wood table and lamp from Ligne Roset, bags, candles and shoes from Faradays, teapot, sugar pot and milk vessel from Michael Joyce, books from Father Rabbit.

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|  Resene Half Buttermilk |  Resene Marzipan |  Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy |
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pattern play

Resene
Stepping Stone 

There's no limit to the type of designs and patterns you can create using Resene paint and high-quality painter's masking tape. Geometric designs are among the easiest effects and painting them behind your bedhead can eliminate the need to find a headboard that fits with the rest of your décor. Bring your pillowcases, sheets, duvet cover or throw into your local Resene ColorShop team and they can help you find just the right paint colours that match or coordinate with your bedding.

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 or card first before you take it to your surface.

Left: Geometric wall designs are simple to create with two or more Resene paint colours, a pencil, tape measure and high-quality painter's masking tape or a stencil. Your pattern repeat doesn't need to be identical if you stick to the same set of simple shapes, and you can remix them in different permutations to create a unique look. Walls painted in Resene Parchment with geometric headboard mural in Resene Foundry, floor in Resene Half Parchment, bedside table in Resene Foundry, low cabinet in Resene Triple Parchment, books in Resene Half Parchment, Resene Foundry and Resene Triple Parchment and arch vase in Triple Parchment. Bedlinen from Adairs.

Above right: In a media room where only the darkest colour will do to keep glare at a minimum, choose Resene Blackest Black – Resene's jettest colour. Slat wall painted in Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen Blackest Black, floor in Resene Stepping Stone, cabinet in Resene Nero, large vase in Resene Element, small vase in Resene Foundry and board in Resene Blackest Black. Chair from Matisse, rug from Baya, Frame TV from Samsung.



media maven havens

Those that enjoy taking in films or watching sports can often be picky about the quality of what comes out of their televisions and sound equipment. But to make the picture look and sound its best, you'll want to put some thought into your media room's design. Reduce screen glare by using darker hues and flat and low sheen paint finishes such as Resene SpaceCote Flat or Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen.

















well-rounded

Arches and circles continue to be a hugely popular detail in architectural design and interior décor. If you like the trend but don't have arched or rounded details in your home, it's quick and simple to add them using Resene paints. For the perfect painted arch or circle, use the 'pin and pencil' method. Simply decide the radius you would like your curved portion to be and cut a piece of string a few centimetres longer. Tie a pencil to one end of the string and attach the other end to a push pin so that the length of string between the two is the same as your intended radius. Push the pin into the centre of the surface you will be painting and keep the string taut and your pencil perpendicular to the surface as you draw your circle in one smooth motion. To turn the circle into an arch, use a level to draw straight vertical lines down from the circle's left and right outer edges. Use high-quality painter's masking tape along the outside of your pencil lines for a clean finished edge.

Above: While some painted curves, such as arches, tend to feel a bit formal, freeform curves can add a more casual appeal to a space. Upper wall painted in Resene Forest Green, lower wall and left wall in Resene Fossil, floor in Resene Quarter Fossil, shelf and pendant lamp in Resene Spanish Green, coffee table in Resene Double Fossil, plant pots, tealight holder and vases in Resene Forest Green, Resene Double Fossil, Resene Quarter Fossil and Resene Spanish Green and box in Resene Forest Green. Sofa from Nood, cushion from Freedom.

Resene Quarter Fossil  Resene Fossil 

Below: The painted circle motif beneath the desk adds a unique and personalised touch to this home office space while connecting it to the lighter tones in the adjacent room. Main walls painted in Resene Watermark with circles in Resene Quarter Albescent White, left wall in Resene Indian Ink, right wall (through doorway) in Resene Duck Egg Blue, floor in Resene Foundation with Resene FX Paint Effects Medium mixed with Resene Otter applied on top, desk in Resene Double Duck Egg Blue, pendant lamp in Resene Kia Kaha, DIY artwork in Resene Double Duck Egg Blue, Resene Exactly and Resene Indian Ink, large vase in Resene Foundation, bowl in Resene Watermark and small vase in Resene Indian Ink. Chair from Cintesii.

 Resene Quarter Albescent White	 Resene Duck Egg Blue	 Resene Kia Kaha
 Resene Foundation	 Resene Double Duck Egg Blue	 Resene Forest Green
 Resene Double Fossil	 Resene Spanish Green	 Resene Indian Ink
 Resene Otter	 Resene Watermark	 Resene Exactly




blasts from the past

Many decorating trends attempt to create something fresh and new, but for those keen to put a contemporary spin on styles that were popular in decades past it has never been easier. Retro looks inspired by the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s are all trending – and it's understandable why. The popularity of looks that embrace the essence of homeliness and a wistfulness for the 'good old days' – are an attempt to ground ourselves during uncertain times. These looks are also often fun and lighthearted, which can be comforting to come home to after a busy day.



Left: Colours that were popular in the 80s and 90s, such as Klein blue and lavender, have made a major comeback in recent years. Left wall painted in Resene Ocean Waves, right wall in Resene Timeless, floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, table in Resene Invincible (top), Resene Rulebreaker (left leg), Resene Indian Ink (centre leg) and Resene Poet (right leg), chair in Resene Aviator, pendant lamp stripe in Resene Resolution Blue, table vase in Resene Illuminate and décor objects (on shelf) in Resene Ocean Waves, Resene Timeless, Resene Aviator, Resene Illuminate, Resene Indian Ink, Resene Poet, Resene Rulebreaker and Resene Carpe Noctem. Artwork from endemicworld.

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|  Resene Timeless |  Resene Aviator |
|  Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy |  Resene Ocean Waves |
|  Resene Illuminate |  Resene Carpe Noctem |
|  Resene Resolution Blue |  Resene Indian Ink |



Left: Quirky colours and casual forms that inject fun and comfort are just some of the reasons why 70s-inspired décor continues to resurface as a trend. Wall painted in Resene Highball with stripes in Resene Doeskin, Resene Monza and Resene Shakespeare and floor in Resene Moroccan Spice. Sofa and ottoman from Mr Bigglesworthy, cushion from Baya.

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|  Resene Poet |  Resene Moroccan Spice |
|  Resene Shakespeare |  Resene Monza |
|  Resene Rulebreaker |  Resene Colorwood Whitewash |
|  Resene Doeskin |  Resene Colorwood Natural |
|  Resene Highball |  Resene Colorwood Mid Greywash |

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 paint 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.

send a message

In our increasingly busy lives, it can be hard to keep track of everything you've got on the go. Create a dedicated spot for your family to keep on top of everyone's plans, make lists and improve communication with a message board in your kitchen or home office. 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. Resene paint colours and wood stains can also be used to colour or create customised designs on corkboards for those who prefer to pin up their notes.

Resene Pumice
 Resene Cinder

Resene White Noise

Resene Contour

Resene Off The Grid

Resene Invincible

Below: With a custom blackboard in your kitchen painted at just the right height and size, it's easy for everyone in the family to communicate plans or keep on top of shopping lists. Wall painted in Resene Off The Grid with border in Resene Contour and Resene Invincible, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, cabinets in Resene Off The Grid with handles in Resene Invincible, benchtop, cup and saucer in Resene White Noise, chalkboard in Resene FX Blackboard Paint, shelf and chopping board in Resene Off The Grid, pendant lamp in Resene Invincible and plant pot in Resene Contour. Table and chair from Jardin, tea towel from Bed Bath N' Table.



Above: Make a customised corkboard in whatever shape or size you want with adhesive cork tiles. Then, use Resene paint or wood stains to colour them and add designs that perfectly suit your space. Walls painted in Resene Pumice, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Bask and small corkboard in Resene Jaguar, Resene Just Right, Resene Contour, Resene Pumice and Resene Rice Cake. Desk from Danske Møbler, chair from Republic, rug from Baya, stationery from Father Rabbit, stackable boxes, stone vessel, lamp and stool from A&C Homestore.

Resene Rice Cake
 Resene Colorwood Bask

Resene Just Right
 Resene Jaguar

Resene Wallpaper
Collection E307402



make a statement

Graphic wallpaper designs, both those with bold geometric shapes and those with nature motifs like flowers, leaves, trees, animals, insects, shells and feathers, are among the top wallcovering trends. When you have a large wall that you want to make a big splash with, wallpaper murals are especially effective at making an impact due to the scale of their designs. With thousands of wallpaper designs to choose from, the Resene Wallpaper Collection has something to suit every style, taste and space. Visit your local Resene ColorShop to browse the latest wallpaper releases or visit www.resene.com/wallpaper for a taste of the latest releases.

Resene Wallpaper
Collection A55702



Resene Wallpaper
Collection 688177





Resene Wallpaper
Collection
ONB102696234

Above: With its illustrative design of tog-clad swimmers, Resene Wallpaper Collection ONB102696234 is a cute choice for a powder room that's sure to make visitors smile.



- Resene Alabaster
- Resene Bone
- Resene Waikawa Grey
- Resene Biscay
- Resene Blue Night

Left: Cut out designs from your wallpaper offcuts to creatively enhance other elements of your décor. Wall in Resene Alabaster, table in Resene Biscay, chair in Resene Waikawa Grey, vase in Resene Bone, wavy dish in Resene Alabaster and DIY placemats in Resene Blue Night with Resene Wallpaper Collection ONB102696234 swimmer cut-outs.

talking points

Among the most popular designs in the Resene Wallpaper Collection are 'conversational designs' – which are those that tend to become a topic of discussion among visitors. These cute and quirky designs that'll get everyone talking are perfect for bathrooms and powder rooms. Cut lengths and offcuts of these wallpapers can also be used to decorate furniture and other accessories around your home, from drawers to lampshades to placemats. Plus, these playful and colourful options will let you experiment with complementary Resene paint colours in other parts of the room.



Left: Expanding quarry operations to meet the global demand for marble and granite tile has had a significant impact on the planet. Reduce the use of those materials by using Resene paint to create a similar effect that can easily be changed later on down the road if you want to switch things up. Walls painted in Resene Alabaster with tile effect painted in Resene Double Stack, Resene Alabaster, Resene Eighth Stack, Resene Half Stack and Resene Half Baltic Sea, floor in Resene Double Stack, stool in Resene Eighth Stack, shelf in Resene Invincible, orchid pot in Resene Half Stack and bathmat, faux coral and basket in Resene Alabaster. Bathtub and freestanding mixer from Plumline, towels from Father Rabbit.

- Resene Alabaster
- Resene Eighth Stack
- Resene Half Stack
- Resene Double Stack
- Resene Half Baltic Sea

Below: If you rent your home, it can feel tricky to make it feel like it reflects your personal style if you're unable to make 'permanent' changes. Creating a painted effect is a rental-friendly idea for getting the look of a handmade tiled fireplace without risking your deposit. Wall painted in Resene Triple Black White with stencilled tile design panel (in fireplace) in Resene Half Black White, floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, mantel, plant pot, tall vase, DIY artwork and books in Resene Eighth Black White, side table in Resene Triple Black White and sconces in Resene Black White. Sofa and coffee table from Soren Liv, chair from David Shaw, rug from Yuva Rugs, lamp, wooden candlestick and gold candleholder from A&C Homestore, cushions from Baya.

- Resene Eighth Black White
- Resene Triple Black White
- Resene Half Black White
- Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy

temporary tiles

Tiles can be a costly investment – particularly if they are in any way interesting or unique, produced with expensive materials like marble or are laboriously handmade. Creating the same effect using Resene products means you can change the look of your space in a weekend without it being a major financial commitment or having to wait for tiles to turn up. And it's far easier to change later on down the road when you're ready for something new, or if you rent your home and aren't allowed to make 'permanent' changes.






- Resene Black White



artwork alternatives







After you've chosen the perfect Resene paint colours for your walls, the perfect statement piece to create a focal point in your room might not be a traditional artwork. For oddly sized or shaped sections of wall that are missing a certain something, use Resene testpots to paint and upcycle interesting items from your local op shop. Or use wall-mounted planters painted to match or coordinate with your colour scheme and fill the area with vertical greenery.

Below: If surface space is at a minimum, mount smaller plant pots to your wall. This strategy is particularly helpful for 'odd walls' that are difficult to find the right shape and sized artwork for. Right wall, coffee table and shelves painted in Resene Soothe, left wall in Resene Spring Wood, floor in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy, and vases and plant pots in Resene Burnt Crimson, Resene Tom Thumb, Resene Raineer, Resene Palm Green and Resene Soothe. Sofa, rug and throw from Nood, plants from Florisdale Flowers.

- Resene Spring Wood 
- Resene Burnt Crimson 
- Resene Raineer 
- Resene Tom Thumb 
- Resene Palm Green 



Above: Get thrifting and reinvent op shop objects with Resene testpots to create a unique statement artwork in the perfect colour palette for your space. Upper wall and floor painted in Resene Tea, dado rail, tall vase and wooden bowl in Resene Colorwood English Walnut, tongue-and-groove panelling in Resene Triple Tea, table in Resene Napa, chairs and pendant lamp in Resene Oilskin and DIY wooden spoon artwork in Resene Napa, Resene Colorwood English Walnut, Resene Half Thorndon Cream, Resene Oilskin and Resene Triple Tea.

-  Resene Half Thorndon Cream
-  Resene Napa
-  Resene Tea
-  Resene Colorwood English Walnut
-  Resene Triple Tea
-  Resene Oilskin

stylists' colour loves

Annick Larkin

I am currently crushing on the contemporary retro hues of Resene's 24 palette – colours such as Resene Arriba, Resene Yogi, Resene Contented, Resene Transition and Resene Valentine are my go-to colours of choice this season. The muddier tones bring warmth to any space, but it's the playfulness of the colours when paired together that I really enjoy. This palette has a rich retro vibe which pairs well with warm whites such as Resene Rice Cake, as well as natural elements such as potted greenery, timber and the warmer metals of brass and copper. Why not try them in your space?




Above: Background painted in Resene Contented, square plate in Resene Yogi, round plate in Resene Transition, bowl in Resene Rice Cake, small vase in Resene Valentine and vase with flowers in Resene Arriba.

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|  | Resene Valentine |  | Resene Yogi |
|  | Resene Arriba |  | Resene Transition |



Melle Van Sambeek

I love using green hues in my design projects. There is something so soothing about using them. Resene Off The Grid is no exception, it has a nice depth to it and looks great paired with either black accents like Resene Invincible for a little bit more of a modern snug feel or white accents to add a pop of freshness like Resene White Noise. Resene Corn Field, the most delightful soft, buttery yellow, reminds me of my recent visit to Palm Springs. It's perfect for a kitchen nook to create a sunny bright happy kitchen area or a gender neutral bedroom space or baby's room. The beauty of such a soft shade of yellow is that you can pair it with shades of soft blues and pinks or even soft greens. I also can't go past Resene Fahrenheit - a deep seductive red with depth and a slight muddy feel to it. It's perfect for using in rooms that you want to cocoon up in and feel enveloped. Paired with dark flooring it can look striking or to create a fresher look team it with a lighter floor colour.

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|  | Resene Corn Field |
|  | Resene White Noise |
|  | Resene Fahrenheit |
|  | Resene Off The Grid |
|  | Resene Invincible |

Left: Background painted in Resene White Noise, large bowl in Resene Invincible, small bowl in Resene Corn Field, frame in Resene Fahrenheit and vase in Resene Off The Grid.



Resene Meringue
 Resene Sail Away
 Resene Ocean Waves

Amber Armitage

When it comes to colours that I truly love I can never go past the classics. The continued popularity of classic navy blue is undeniable, not only does it introduce depth and dimension to an interior but it also creates an atmosphere of sophistication and enduring style. Resene Indian Ink is an all-time favourite, a blackened blue, reminiscent of a night without moonlight. This can be paired with Resene Meringue, a warm whipped cream, to create a new take on the classic combination. Keeping in theme with the deep oceanic tones, I am also a big fan of Resene Ocean Waves, Resene Sail Away and Resene Morning Haze, to round off the palette.

Left: Background painted in Resene Morning Haze, circular board in Resene Indian Ink, lidded pot in Resene Meringue, sea urchin candle in Resene Ocean Waves, shell plate in Resene Sail Away and scapular candleholder in Resene Ocean Waves.

Kate Alexander

I've observed a slow but consistent shift from white-on-white interiors, with clients keen to introduce depth and interest into their spaces. Resene Kinship is a gentle grey with the subtlest hint of purple; I've used it on a ceiling to warm up ice-white walls – and Resene Ted is also grey, but this one is leaning towards blue. It has enough punch for a feature wall yet is soft enough for a whole room and goes beautifully with oak tones. Other tones that are being used instead of white are muted pinks like Resene Contented and Resene Martini. Blues of all kinds continue to be popular – my favourites are Resene Comfortably Numb, Resene Longitude and Resene Smokescreen. I've also noticed a re-emergence of ochre-grey greens like Resene Hindsight and Resene Terrain. The edges of black are blurring and tones like Resene Half Karaka, Resene Indian Ink and Resene Rocky Point are being used as weighty deep shades. For those keen on something unexpected, yellow is emerging as the bright of the future – try a touch of Resene Illuminate or Resene Sunbeam.

Resene Illuminate
 Resene Sunbeam
 Resene Kinship
 Resene Contented
 Resene Martini
 Resene Terrain
 Resene Hindsight
 Resene Rocky Point
 Resene Half Karaka
 Resene Ted
 Resene Longitude
 Resene Smokescreen
 Resene Comfortably Numb
 Resene Hemisphere
 Resene Indian Ink



Above: Background painted in Resene Ted, frame in Resene Hindsight, dish in Resene Illuminate, book in Resene Half Karaka, vase in Resene Longitude, fluted plate in Resene Contented, bowl in Resene Kinship, geo vase in Resene Comfortably Numb, octagonal coaster in Resene Sunbeam, smallest vase in Resene Martini, small round bowl in Resene Rocky Point, lidded coaster in Resene Smokescreen and round coasters in Resene Hemisphere and Resene Terrain.



Left: Background painted in Resene Quarter Truffle, rectangular plate in Resene Fandango, round bowl in Resene Fandango, round bowl in Resene I Do, side plate in Resene Vanilla Ice, round vase in Resene Triple Sea Fog and scalloped plate in Resene Half Hammerhead.


Emily Somerville-Ryan

Summery soft tones are really influencing my work right now, with the subtle lilacs taking centre stage. I'm in love with pale lilacs such as Resene I Do and pale pinks like Resene Vanilla Ice. These soft tones are great used in small doses like a blush feature wall in a child's bedroom. Being soft, they offer a multitude of gorgeous options to pair accents with, think the soft tones of Resene Triple Sea Fog or Resene Quarter Truffle, subtle enough to sit back on the walls and let the pinks do the talking. Use the rich notes of Resene Half Hammerhead or Resene Fandango as accents to liven up the space.

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|  Resene Quarter Truffle |  Resene Vanilla Ice |  Resene Half Hammerhead |
|  Resene Triple Sea Fog |  Resene I Do |  Resene Fandango |

Katrina Hobbs

Having recently moved into a new-to-me home, I'm all about finding ways to bring my personality into my home. Starting by updating old furniture to create a new feel is a great way to do this, and my handy Resene fandeck offers so many gorgeous options. I have a few older pieces and they look stunning finished with the soft bluey grey of Resene Grey Chateau on the body and trims in Resene Quarter Surrender, soft and not too bright. The other area I love painting is the architraves, these frame our doorways and I've been loving the flipped use of painting them a brighter colour as opposed to an expected white. My favourites to use in these areas are the blush notes of Resene Wafer and the oceanic green of Resene Tasman, so pretty and unexpected, paired with my all-time favourite go-to Resene Sea Fog in varying degrees of strength on the walls. These smaller areas are also a wonderful weekend DIY treat to create.

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|  Resene Sea Fog |
|  Resene Quarter Surrender |
|  Resene Tasman |
|  Resene Wafer |
|  Resene Grey Chateau |

Right: Background painted in Resene Sea Fog, plate and vase in Resene Quarter Surrender, square vase in Resene Grey Chateau, architrave in Resene Wafer and coral in Resene Tasman.

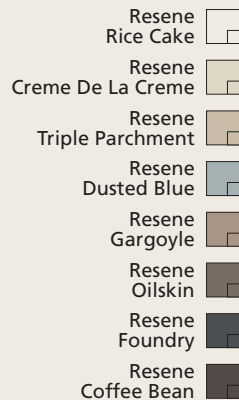




Vanessa Nouwens

With neutral tones still very much the trend I have found myself more drawn to creams and beiges. Resene Rice Cake has also been, and will continue to be, my fave warm white. It is such a great base colour with some warmth to it if you are not a fan of crisper whites. Resene Creme De La Creme has more depth than Resene Rice Cake but is another lovely colour to use on walls. These colours are easy to live with and stand the test of time. If you like contrast with your beiges and cream tones but don't want to use black then Resene Foundry is your colour. This dark charcoal tone is stunning when teamed with colours such as Resene Parchment and Resene Triple Parchment. Browns have made a big comeback in interiors and I am loving the muddy tones of Resene Oilskin and Resene Gargoyle. Resene Coffee Bean is a stunning colour when teamed with these muddy browns and Resene Dusted Blue with its muted tone is also another beautiful colour to add to the mix.

Left: Background painted in Resene Creme De La Creme, handled vase in Resene Rice Cake, small pot in Resene Dusted Blue, candleholder and little vase in Resene Foundry, coaster in Resene Oilskin, small bowl in Resene Gargoyle, medium bowl in Resene Triple Parchment and sectional vase in Resene Coffee Bean.



Laura Lynn Johnston

When you're constantly exposed to the latest trends, it's easy to get swept up in the excitement of the newest paint colours and decorating ideas. But when I pause for a moment to be honest with myself, my tastes always skew towards classic modernist forms and colours with an unexpected twist. I started my own decorating project by curating the furniture and belongings I wanted to display and decided what I felt would work well together within each space. Then, I used my handy Resene The Range fashion colours fandeck to find nearest eye-catching hues within each assemblage. In my kitchen and dining area, I have a handwoven tapestry on display which has informed the palette in Resene Indian Ink, Resene Rulebreaker, Resene Roadster, Resene Timeless and Resene Aoraki. I also updated a few tired-looking objects with a fresh coat of Resene Heliotrope to keep everything feeling fresh and contemporary. For me, fearless use of colour has always paid off – and my Resene colour palette has garnered plenty of compliments from visiting friends and family.



Below: Background painted in Resene Indian Ink, candleholder in Resene Timeless, rounded vase in Resene Roadster, side plate in Resene Rulebreaker, plate in Resene Aoraki and handled vase in Resene Heliotrope.





Megan Harrison-Turner

It is wonderful seeing colour being used more. For exteriors, the trend for adding a splash of colour on front doors is fun and shows off a little personality. There's a swing to hues like Resene Coast, Resene Epic and Resene Big Stone – cool dark blues and teals to keep the whole colour scheme relevant, and for interiors a swing to feature gemstone colours - those that remind me of sapphires like Resene Bondi Blue, amethysts like Resene Pukeko and emeralds like Resene Crusoe. Paired with jewel coloured furniture and gold or brass accents, these jewelled spaces are undeniably swoon-worthy. Classic Resene Half Duck Egg Blue is still a hard-working favourite and works wonderfully with oak wood flooring. And I can't go past the Resene Colorwood wash hues of Resene Breathe Easy and Resene Shade – having a wash of colour but still seeing the texture of the timber works so well with the coastal look.

Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy
 Resene Colorwood Shade

 Resene Half Duck Egg Blue	 Resene Grey Friars
 Resene Deluge	 Resene Big Stone
 Resene Bondi Blue	 Resene Coast
 Resene Cobalt	 Resene Pukeko
 Resene Madison	 Resene Crusoe
 Resene Lucky Point	 Resene Epic

Left: Background painted in Resene Half Duck Egg Blue, gem in Resene Madison, book in Resene Cobalt, cup in Resene Crusoe, vase in Resene Pukeko, coaster in Resene Grey Friars, dodecagon bowl in Resene Big Stone, bowl in Resene Coast, plinth in Resene Bondi Blue, octagon plate in Resene Lucky Point and antique plate in Resene Deluge.

Moneuan Ryan

I revel in the exploration of all things hue related and love mixing new directional colour with trusted favourites. I'm loving the nature driven influence of mineral and stone interpreted in quiet layered creams and fleecy whites like Resene Half Bianca or character beiges like Resene Fossil. Add a little earthy opulence with all-time favourite Resene Masala or dive deeper with blackened burnished greens like Resene Eternity for a complex sophisticated feel. I can't resist the bolder colours that are finding a place in our homes, soft gold Resene Essential Cream, exotic and delicious Resene Hot Toddy and mustardy green Resene Iko Iko, stunning with a dark anchoring colour like Resene Dark Knight. Have fun with colour, it's the best way to transform your living space in a flash!

 Resene Fossil	 Resene Essential Cream	 Resene Quarter New Denim Blue	 Resene Double Cod Grey	 Resene Dark Knight
 Resene Iko Iko	 Resene Hot Toddy	 Resene Masala	 Resene Possessed	 Resene Eternity

Resene Half Bianca
 Resene Eighth Akaroa
 Resene Thorndon Cream
 Resene Half Linen

Right: Background painted in Resene Thorndon Cream, small vase in Resene Half Linen, round board in Resene Fossil, book in Resene Half Bianca, lattice plate in Resene Eighth Akaroa, small lipped vase in Resene Eternity, small cup in Resene Quarter New Denim Blue, diamond in Resene Essential Cream, coasters in Resene Possessed, Resene Dark Knight and Resene Iko Iko and fluted vase in Resene Double Cod Grey.



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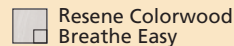
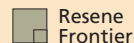
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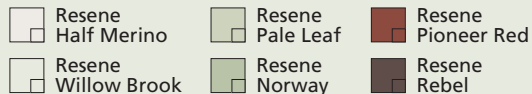
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Above: Create a focal point and bring attention to a favourite piece of artwork by painting a stripe in a lightly contrasting wall colour centred behind where you plan to hang it. Front wall painted in Resene Frontier, back wall in Resene Marzipan with stripe in Resene Half Buttermilk and floor finished in Resene Colorwood Breathe Easy. Armchair from Bradfords Interiors, table from Ligne Roset, vase from Michael Joyce, artwork from Father Rabbit.



In a relaxing, earthy bedroom decorated with on-trend Resene greens, bring in select touches of a contrasting complementary red like Resene Pioneer Red or red-toned brown like Resene Rebel to add depth and interest. Upper wall, left wall and floor painted in Resene Willow Brook, lower wall in Resene Pale Leaf with stripe in Resene Norway, dresser and coaster in Resene Norway, bedside table in Resene Half Merino, wall light and large vase in Resene Pale Leaf and arch vase in Resene Rebel. Mug from Freedom.



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