



Clockwise from above Jo replanted the flowerbeds surrounding the house, and planted hedges grown from cuttings of buxus, lonicera and teucrium plants; the deck is a beautiful shady spot in which to enjoy the view of Mt Carmel Farm; John and Jo Blue; an ornamental grape vine winds its way around the home's trim, which is painted in Resene 'Half Pearl Lusta'.

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a bolt from the blue

Jo and John Blue bought this 1909 farmhouse in Marlborough's picturesque Awatere Valley in 2004. After several years living with its plain white exterior, they took the plunge and painted it with a striking combination of Resene CoolColour 'Midnight Express' and Resene

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