

Greens of all styles continue to flourish

Going green – it's a phrase with connotations that go well beyond colour, yet as we focus on environmental issues and seek connections with nature via biophilic design, green is growing strong within our interiors. The circle is complete.

Green started strong a few years ago as clean and verdant with loads of personality. Then it turned a bit khaki and swampy. Now, green has softened to versatile dusky shades that can even be used as a neutral for interiors.

Warm grey-greens seem pulled directly from earthy landscapes. By contrast, fresh leafy greens are a sweet, simple look perfect for a seasonal change-out in spring and summer.

This living room (right), with its rear wall in Resene Peace, becomes a sophisticated retreat from the turbulent world. It's given depth with tonal accessories in sharper greens and greys. It has a sense of structure and security, not least of all because it has traditional echoes with the oriental rug and warm red touches.

Breezy spring greens also work as neutrals, and when layered in tonal shades make a room feel sun-drenched and energising. This bedroom (left) takes the trend to maximum effect with graduated greens in broad stripes up the wall.

The painted lattice pattern on the headboard echoes the rattan chair and the chunky natural fibres of the throw, carpet and cushions.



Above left: Add muted pink to make this summery scheme even fresher. Lattice pattern in Resene Fawn Green and Resene Miso, A4 drawdown paint swatches in (from top) Resene Nirvana, Resene Just Right, Resene Coconut Cream and Resene China Ivory.

Above right: Grey greens come alive with bold red and sharp green accents. Background in Resene Grey Chateau with A4 drawdown paint swatches in (from left) Resene Untamed, Resene Suits and Resene Peace. The round platter is Resene Charcoal and the small bowl in Resene Waiouru.





Above: Rear wall in Resene Peace, side wall in Resene Suits, floor in Resene Grey Chateau, shelf in Resene Untamed, side tables in Resene Grey Olive and Resene Poured Milk, large vase in Resene Double Pravda, small vase on shelf in Resene Double Ash and candle stand in Resene Charcoal.

Opposite: Striped wall in (from top) Resene Travertine, Resene Miso and Resene Nirvana with skirting board in Resene Fawn Green. Lattice headboard in Resene Fawn Green and Resene Miso, shelf in Resene China Ivory, peg stool in Resene Coconut Cream, small pot in Resene Eighth Tapa and small vase painted in Resene Alpaca.

