

welcome

Okay, so we've jumped on the bandwagon this issue and are celebrating vintage style. Our two feature houses, on pages 18 and 38, are wonderlands of rich detailing, quirky touches, pre-loved treasures... and delicious paint colours. They have been created by people who are absolutely passionate about what they do, about their surroundings, and it shows.

It's a style that's so in sympathy with paint in all its forms, from translucent washes to thick coats of creamy white.

One of the houses uses a vibrant green, Resene Camarone. I love it, but then I've always used green in my own interiors. My living rooms have been various shades of green over the years. It hasn't exactly been very fashionable, to paint all of your living room walls in a stronger colour in recent years. White has been the look of the moment, perhaps with a kitchen splashback or fabrics in pop-out colour. I've been more off-trend than on-trend so I was happy to hear that clean-looking green, and more of it, is on the return and that two of this year's winners in the Total Resene Colour Awards used green – see page 28.


Whatever colour pushes your buttons, you'll find something in Resene's recently launched fashion range of paint colours. Many of them appear in this issue of *habitat*, especially in our Testpots feature on page 6.

Sharon Newey **editor**

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Half Escape

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Morepork

Inspiration can come from anywhere, so if you want to make some changes around your home but don't know where to begin, start collecting pictures from magazines and websites of decorating projects you do and don't like. Once you have gathered enough you'll start to see a definite trend in your tastes and you can use this to help choose your colours and materials.

To make it easier for you Resene has started a Pinterest page, www.pinterest.com/Resene, to bring together a collection of decorating projects and ideas in one handy location that you can pin onto your own Pinterest page. And to help you find more inspiration, as well as *habitat* magazine, you can get a regular fix of creative interiors and great paint colours and ideas with our weekly

email newsletter *Habitat of the Week*. Sign up for it free online at www.habitatoftheweek.co.nz. We not only take a sneak peak into people's homes, but keep you up to date with current ideas and colour directions that you can use as inspiration for your own projects. Happy decorating!

The Resene Team

P.S. Thanks to those who took part in the Readers Digest Most Trusted Brands survey and named us the Most Trusted Paint Brand. Thanks also for your ongoing feedback, which helps us to keep improving our products, colours and services.