

welcome



There's nothing quite like colour to set the mood. A room painted in soft white will make you feel fresh and serene. Put a sea-foam blue on the walls and you'll be hankering for summer and the beach. Paint them a deep biscuity brown and you'll feel warm and cosy.

We bring you a new take on cosy colours this issue – colours you wouldn't normally pick as 'warm' like the classics of red and yellow, but those that, with the right accessories, will cocoon you right through winter. That includes the rich and delicious Resene True Blue on our cover. Accepted views will tell you that blue is a cool colour, which may be true of a sky or marine blue, but this deep navy is a perfect wintery colour, especially teamed with shots of pink and red.

Likewise, the soft olive grey (Resene Quarter Evolution) you'll find in the bedroom setting on page 9 would, to some, be a cool restrained shade for the walls. But paired with burnt orange bedlinen and a moody grey lamp base, it's transformed into a colour that will keep you in bed far too long in the morning.



You'll also notice the striking lamp shades on these two photographs – they're made from wallpapers available at Resene, by the company Eunice Taylor. What an amazing way to coordinate your room.

We take a look at more wallpapers on page 30 – they are, after all, being used more widely these days – and team them with flooring treatments and paint colours to give you inspiration for your interiors. So take our lead and take a look at colours and materials in a new light.

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 Resene Zion
 Resene Galliano

 Resene Melting Moment
 Resene Double Bianca

We've always loved the way colour can completely transform a room or a house so that you see it in a new light. Over the years we have seen the sheer delight when customers finish decorating and are surrounded in colours that they love. Like dressing up for a night on the town, a fresh coat of colourful paint can do wonders to your mood.

Unlike clothing, which you can hide in the back of your wardrobe if it loses its appeal, decorating involves much more of a commitment to your choices. So to help you get the right look, we have started an online Ask a Colour Expert. Simply go to www.resene.com/colouexpert, ask your colour questions and we will help out with handy suggestions and ideas, for free. Or pop into your local Resene ColorShop or reseller for help from one of our team.

Once you've invested time in choosing the right colours, it's important they look as good on the wall as they did on the colour chart. Resene decorative colours are tinted with special highly concentrated non-VOC tinters using exclusive Resene colour formulations. This makes them entirely unique and means authentic Resene colours are only available in Resene branded paints. If you can't quite decide which paint type is right for your project, we have experts to help with that too – either via the free online Ask a Technical Expert service or with our staff in store.

So take time out to treat yourself to your favourite colour and give yourself something you can enjoy every day. Happy decorating!

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