



# HOUSE TOUR COLOURS

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**Above: WAIRARAPA TOUR 2015**  
Blue is a popular colour choice for bedrooms because of its soothing qualities. However, if you have trouble getting up in the morning, you may wish to add an invigorating accent to get you out of bed.

**Below: WAIRARAPA TOUR 2015**  
If you are looking for a subtle effect, create a tone-on-tone colour palette with the Resene Whites & Neutrals collection, which has up to six strengths of each colour.

**Above: CAMBRIDGE TOUR 2015**  
Bring nature indoors onto your walls and your furniture. Rejuvenate old furniture with Resene Colorwood stain and Resene Aquaclear or opt for a whitewashed look with Resene Colorwood Whitewash.



**This page: WAIRARAPA TOUR 2015**  
When you're painting outside, dark colours can absorb a lot of unwanted heat. To help keep your home cooler, consider choosing a Resene CoolColour version of your colour. It looks just the same but will reflect more heat, keeping the surface cooler.

For the past four years, Resene has been associate sponsor of our popular NZ House & Garden House Tours. About 5000 people attend the tours annually, soaking up ideas and inspiration for their own homes. The comments we hear over and over are: "What fabric is that? What is that beautiful wallpaper? What colour is that room?" On these pages, we have brought together a selection of the 2015 tour homes with Resene paint colour swatches and advice so that you can create the look without having to ask the question.

### Top tips for choosing colours

- Sometimes it's hard to imagine how small swatches on a colour chart will look. To help you create your colour scheme, Resene ColorShops have A4 swatches of thousands of Resene colours, made using real Resene paint. They're a great way to see a bigger swatch of the colour and mix and match them to create your colour scheme.
- Sunlight tends to wash out exterior colours. If in doubt, opt for a slightly darker colour.
- Inside, it's the opposite. More of a colour makes it seem more intense.
- If you are stuck with your colour decisions, use the Resene colour services to help you make your choices. Either visit a Resene ColorShop and see a Resene colour expert or ask a Resene Colour Expert free online. Simply send in your query, with or without photos, and the Resene Colour Expert will provide tailor-made suggestions to help you with your colours.

