

# SUMMER IN COLOUR

Five stylish ladies leading the way in fashion and interiors share their insights when it comes to summer style, colour inspiration and the holiday season.

The Resene fashion range for 2018 available at Resene ColorShops.

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1. Where will you be getting away to this summer?
2. Do you have any renovation, DIY or art projects planned?
3. What do you look for when picking colours for your interior spaces?
4. What are your favourite colours from the Resene fashion range for 2018?
5. How would you describe your style either in fashion or the home?
6. What is your dream summer day?

## KATE ALEXANDER

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1. Not far – to my parents’ place in the same neighbourhood as me! They have a beautiful home just a few doors from Cheltenham beach in Auckland.
2. We always have a DIY project on the go in our house. Currently we’re working on our outdoor spaces - building a BBQ with sink, creating a fire pit area and making a sunbathing lounge on our top deck.
3. I take my colour cues from the view out the window and art on the walls. The view outside my window is very green and that’s reflected in our wall colour choice - we have Resene Karen Walker Smoky Green in our lounge!
4. Choosing favourite colours from this collection is tough! I love all the colours so much but I think the standouts for me would be Resene Ruby Tuesday, Resene Sazerac and Resene Organic.
5. Colours and patterns are what seduce me; I’ll choose a new wardrobe item by fabric before cut and the same goes for cushions or linens. I’m a believer in buying when you find something you like rather than waiting for a need.
6. My dream summer day is action-packed during the day - hopefully in a boat of some kind - then relaxing at dusk.



## KELLIE PARDOE

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1. We have a family holiday booked for a week at Mount Maunganui in early January.
2. We bought a new place a few months ago. Top of the list is a new kitchen, although I’ll call in the qualified guys for that one.
3. Around my house is a lot of white and monochrome. I’ve branched out a bit with a recent lounge rejuvenation and added some teal and gold accessories.
4. That’s a hard one, but my favourites would have to be Resene She’ll Be Right, Resene Half Black White and Resene Nero.
5. I’m obsessed with whites! I love taking time to inject personality and character into places around the home, especially my kids’ rooms where I’ve brought in different colour schemes to suit their personalities and styles.
6. My dream summer day would be cruising the harbour on a launch with my husband and our closest friends, with plenty of champagne, food, music and sunshine!



## HAYLEY FRENCH

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1. I’m a homebody; I’m happy at home. Our summer getaways are fairly local day trips or overnighters. We love to head north to Matakana and potter around the market, then have a slow lunch at one of the local wineries.
2. I’m hoping for a quiet summer. I think the season will be a combination of enjoying what we have created in our outdoor spaces and maintaining its existence over the summer. Next year we are planning a small indoor bathroom revamp and later the addition of a window seat connecting our dining and kitchen spaces.
3. I love to start with a neutral base, whether that be a white with yellow, green or black undertones. The colours I add tend to be in the features that represent the people of the home.
4. Resene Sumptuous is a gorgeous rich colour, almost regal and most definitely elegant, add in Resene Rice Cake to soften them enough to use in a home rather than a castle! Resene Wishing Well combined with Resene White Pointer again have a sense of nobility with the rich navy blue, softened by the gentle white.
5. I am no longer purchasing on a whim; my cushion collection, much like my shoe collection, is outrageous! What I now buy is for long term use, with clean lines, simple function. I like to know the designer and the story behind each product’s evolution. Trends be gone!
6. Definitely with family and friends, I don’t tend to differentiate between the two. Enjoying a glass of Pinot Gris sitting on a comfy bean bag by the pool is my happy place!



## VIC BIBBY & DAEL BRADY

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1. *Dael:* We’re heading north to spend some family time by the beach in Takapuna. I’m looking forward to catching up with friends, checking out some of the amazing shops and restaurants Auckland has to offer.
2. *Vic:* We’re in the early stages of putting an extension on our home that includes a new master bedroom, a large walk-in wardrobe and ensuite. We’re about to submit our plans to council for consent and hope to start building early next year.
3. *Vic:* Each space is unique and the amount of natural light is very important when picking colours. If a room doesn’t get a lot of natural light we opt for soft neutrals with warm undertones, or we embrace the lack of light and use beautiful jewel tones. *Dael:* Summer spaces that evoke relaxation and long, balmy days are ideal. Fresh whites layered with the calm tones of green and blue.
4. *Dael:* Resene Atlas is a great choice for when you’re venturing over to the dark side. It’s a deep green, moody and sophisticated, that looks fantastic with warm wood and metallics. *Vic:* Resene Drop Dead Gorgeous is not for the faint hearted, but perfect for high impact. Think a glossy front door or your swimming pool wall draped in bougainvillea.
5. *Vic:* I’m a lover of colour, patterns and beautiful fabrics, with a touch of boho and unpredictability.
6. *Dael:* My dream summer day would start with a long, lazy breakfast on the deck, followed by a walk on the beach and then meeting friends and family at one of Hawke’s Bay’s wonderful wineries for an afternoon of food, wine and music.

