

# nursery times



## top tip

Since you can never have enough storage in a nursery, paint a few wooden boxes to slide under the cot to keep toys and other belongings organised.



## did you know?

Newborns can see only in black and white. While it doesn't last for long, this nursery can definitely be seen by all ages. The beautifully bold monochromatic colour scheme in Resene Black and Resene Alabaster has been given an extra sweet twist with pale aqua accents in Resene Riptide.



Resene  
Black



Resene  
Alabaster



Resene  
Riptide



## *a rosy outlook*

Create a soft yet sophisticated nursery that will not feel babyish when your child grows older by adding wall panelling in an unexpected way. An asymmetrical pattern painted in Resene Cashmere creates a modern look when paired with Resene Olive Green accents on the cot. Add some personal touches by creating a mobile using testpots or any A4 drawdown paint swatches left over from choosing your wall colour. Simply cut your drawdowns into organic shapes, hole punch a hole and string them up – voilà!

**Left:** You don't have to be an expert carpenter to create wall panelling simply attach MDF or timber battens to the walls using screws and glue before painting. Wall and panelling painted in Resene Cashmere, flooring in Resene Colorwood Natural and cot details painted in Resene Olive Green.



-  Resene Cashmere
-  Resene Colorwood Natural
-  Resene Olive Green
-  Resene Umber White
-  Resene Dark Knight
-  Resene Pewter
-  Resene First Light

**Above:** Wall painted in Resene Umber White. Hanging mobile made from A4 drawdown paint swatches in Resene Dark Knight, Resene Pewter, Resene Olive Green, Resene Cashmere, Resene Umber White and Resene First Light, trolley painted in Resene Pewter and cot details painted in Resene Olive Green.



## sweet and simple

This serene neutral nursery shies away from gendered colours completely with a soothing combination of Resene Westar on the floor and upper walls with Resene Quarter Merino on the lower section of the walls. The wooden decorations on the left wall have been painted in Resene Westar and Resene Romantic.

- Resene Westar
- Resene Romantic
- Resene Quarter Merino

## rain or shine

No matter what the weather, this nursery looks soft and serene thanks to its muted colour palette. Wall in Resene Thorndon Cream with hand-painted cloud shapes in Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream, floor and shelf in Resene Thor, table in Resene Laser and vases, pots, rainbow stacking toy and mobile in Resene Vintage, Resene Just Right, Resene Laser, Resene Thor, Resene Undercurrent and Resene Safehaven (try Resene Streetwise).



- Resene Thor
- Resene Laser
- Resene Vintage
- Resene Just Right
- Resene Undercurrent
- Resene Streetwise
- Resene Thorndon Cream
- Resene Eighth Thorndon Cream



Learn how to make this DIY cloud mobile and other kid-friendly paint projects at [www.habitatbyresene.com/habitat-tv](http://www.habitatbyresene.com/habitat-tv).

## twinkle twinkle

Is there anything more soothing than the gentle glow of starlight? There's comfort in the constancy of star constellations, making them the perfect inspiration for a calm, serene nursery. Resene FX Nightlight glow-in-the-dark paint brings Matariki star cluster or Messier Object 45 (M45), to life. Known as the Pleiades in Ancient Greek mythology, the cluster also appears in one of the most well-known Aboriginal tales, The Star Dreaming Story of the Seven Sisters. In Aotearoa, the stars are Matariki, and their appearance signals the beginning of Maori New Year, a time of harvest and celebration. The feature wall in Resene Warrior creates an inky evening background for the hand-painted Matariki and Southern Cross in Resene Black White, with an added dash of Resene FX Nightlight for a glow-in-the-dark effect.

**Right:** Get your glow on by creating a Matariki skyline. The back wall is painted in Resene Warrior, with stars in Resene Black White and clusters topcoated in Resene FX Nightlight glow-in-the-dark. To maximise the glow, paint the stars with a basecoat of Resene White before topcoating with Resene FX Nightlight. Left wall and floor in Resene Mystic. Toy box, lipped shelves and wall hook in Resene Reservoir and vases in Resene Half Jumbo, Resene Reservoir, Resene Warrior and Resene Hermitage. DIY kite mobile in Resene Proton, Resene Reservoir, Resene Half Jumbo and Resene Black White.



**Left:** Kites or manu tukutuku were traditionally used by Maori to symbolise the start of Matariki. Create this kite mobile by cutting 12 kites and tie shapes in thick paper or card (see the template online at [www.habitatbyresene.com/tips/diy-kite-mobile](http://www.habitatbyresene.com/tips/diy-kite-mobile)) and paint in your favourite galactic colours – we used Resene Reservoir, Resene Half Jumbo and Resene Black White. Use a strong glue to attach to strings and tie to a macrame hoop.

