

RESENE

Kid's corner

A playful room to inspire little adventurers

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Encourage creativity and imagination with a room that champions bold colours and striking shapes. A floor painted in blue and beige stripes creates a feature within the room without overpowering the space and a tall bookshelf painted in a co-ordinating hue helps to keep everything neat and tidy.

Project: Lion's head

If you can't find the perfect piece of art for your child's room, try your hand at creating something yourself. We made this fiercely cute lion's head with a round canvas, Resene testpots, metal ring (the same size as the lion's head circumference) and strips of fabric. Simply paint your canvas with your chosen colour – we used Resene Tea – and allow to dry. Cut pieces of fabric into strips 25cm long and 4cm wide – you will need around 80 strips. Then, tie each strip onto the metal ring to create the mane and attach the ring to the canvas with cable ties (you'll need to cut four small holes in the canvas). Finally, use a pencil to draw the lion's face onto the canvas and paint.

Project: Corner block

One way to anchor a small bed in a big room is by painting a feature around it. To do this, measure out your area – ours is 210cm long x 120cm wide x 150cm high – and mark it with a pencil. Outline the shape with masking tape and paint. Two coats gives best coverage. Allow to dry, then remove the tape.

PAINT Walls: Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen in Resene Tea and Resene Blue Night. **Floor:** Resene Walk-on in Resene White Pointer, Resene Escape and Resene Blue Night. **Bedside table:** Resene White Pointer. **Lamp:** Resene Refresh. **Bookshelf:** Resene Escape. **Pencil pot:** Resene Escape. **Plant pots:** Resene Tussock.

CREDITS Double natural linen **duvet cover**, \$289.99 and Aries surf pom pom **cushion**, \$69.99, from Adairs. This is My Happy Place **pillowcase**, \$6, from The Warehouse. Checkmate linen Euro **pillowcase** in marigold, \$69, from Homebody. Milford Moss stitched **throw** in Harvest gold, \$159, from Shut the Front Door. Books, shoes and props stylist's own.



DIY tip If you don't have the right colour fabrics for the lion's mane, improvise and dip fabric into Resene testpots.

Paint tip Paint bedroom furniture in a waterborne enamel, such as Resene Lustacryl, for an easy-to-clean finish.



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