

# KIDS' CORNER

If you've got a feline-obsessed child whose bedroom is in need of a refresh, consider this cute, kitty-inspired scheme which can be achieved with just a few Resene paints and some clever DIY

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## THE 'PURRFECT' ROOM

A child's room is one space in the home where both you and your son or daughter can indulge in a sense of fun with the decor – or in this case, go cat-crazy!

## MAKE A FEATURE OF THE FLOOR

With any interior design, it's best to decide on the 'hero' piece first as this will form the basis. In this room, it's the beautiful, bold leopard print on the floor. To create this effect, paint the floor in two coats of your base colour (Resene Walk-on in Resene 'Paper Doll'). Then draw on the leopard print, either by hand or by using a home-made stencil (use our floor as a guide), and carefully paint it in (we used a single coat of Resene Waik-on in Resene 'Foundry'). Finish with Resene Concrete Wax for extra protection. It may be time-consuming but the end result will be stunning and worth the effort.

## BALANCE PATTERN AND PLAIN

It's important to balance pattern and plain so it's not too busy. To get the proportions right we chose a split design for the back wall: Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen in Resene 'Paper Doll' for the bottom 1.6m and soothing, pearl-grey Resene 'Geysler' for the top (two coats of each). We then added a cat-centric canvas print and dream catcher for a coordinated look.



*"A child's bedroom is one space in the home where you can cut loose and indulge in a sense of fun"*

Wall painted in Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen 'Geysler' (top) and Resene 'Paper Doll'. Floor painted in Resene Walk-on in Resene 'Paper Doll' and Resene Walk-on in Resene 'Foundry'. Bedside table and stool painted in Resene 'Foundry'. Brackets and shelf painted in Resene 'Paper Doll'. Bedside lamp painted in Resene 'Geysler'. Drawer box painted in Resene 'Foundry', Resene 'Paper Doll' and Resene 'Geysler'. Drawer box, \$12, metallic scrunchies, \$5 a set, cat headbands, \$3 each, gold pot, \$3, Zsa Zsa faux fur cushion, \$12, side drawer (bedside table), \$35, wood-base lamp, \$12, all from Kmart. Hair ties and hairbrush, \$2 each, from Look Sharp. Cat duvet set, \$14 single, art canvas, \$8, Living & Co mirror, \$12, dream catcher, \$8, all from The Warehouse. Pom pom throw, \$69.99, from EziBuy. Solace black euro pillowcase, \$19.90, stool, \$15, both from Bed Bath & Beyond. Wall brackets, \$14.99 each, from Shut The Front Door. All other items stylist's own.

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## MAKE A MINI VANITY AREA

For the 'dressing table' we painted an 80cm by 100cm box on the wall (60cm off the floor) in Resene 'Paper Doll' and attached two brackets and a small shelf in the same colour, along with a moggie mirror. A stool painted in Resene 'Foundry' links to the floor colour, while a cute and inexpensive mini drawer box (perfect for hair accessories and jewellery) has been given a makeover in the room's colour scheme.

