

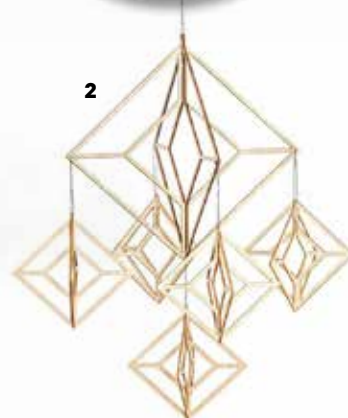
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# Toying with Neutrals

*Bathing the little one's rooms in heavenly shades of neutrality delivers a delightfully soothing result.*

Paving the way for the inevitable pops of colour that come with youth, a muted colour palette can be an appropriate tonal approach for the bedrooms of young ones. Not only soothing and gender neutral, soft tones such as grey and beige can deliver a warmth and earthiness that's anything but boring when accented in the right way. By layering various textures and natural materials such as wooden furniture, soft curtains, textural pillows and rugs, an element of playfulness can be effortlessly achieved. If you're finding it hard to embrace bold brights in your children's spaces, instead adopt tones in Champagne, mushroom and dove grey for a fresh and modern approach to youthfulness.

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## Get The Look

Using a two-toned wall to create visual interest and give the room a timelessness — all one needs to do is change out the accessories. Muted colours, like the **Resene Westar** and **Resene Quarter Merino** used here are soothing and have a comely Scandinavian style that easily fit into a home's wider scheme of neutral colours or on-trend greige and greys. Continue the wall colour onto the floor by painting it for a perfectly coordinated look. And for a finishing touch, decorate accessories in soft accents, such as the **Resene Romantic**, lovingly painted onto the pictured wooden mobile.

- 1. FohFum bassinet from Father Rabbit
- 2. Geometric Mobile from Aito Nordic
- 3. Hang it all coat rack by Vitra from Matisse
- 4. Star cushion from Beau Monde Babe



Resene Westar

Resene Quarter Merino



HAVE YOU CONSIDERED?

# A Graphic Wall



Resene Quarter Rice Cake

Resene Grenadier

Resene Aquaclear

*Graphic details deliver a bespoke, made-for-me uniqueness to feature walls.*

Inject a distinctively modern point of difference into any interior by implementing a graphic wall. Whether comprising bright colours or carried out in monochromatic tones, the effect is striking. If you opt for a bold design like the 3D geometric print used here, be sure to restrict the colour palette elsewhere in the room. Cleverly accent the wall with considered accessories such as bed linen in orange, white and pale grey tones, designed to complement rather than contrast the wall itself. Another tip? Keep more excitable colours such as orange and red behind the bed, so as not to keep you awake, this way you will enjoy them as you enter the room.

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## Get The Look

Headboard walls are quick and cheap to repaint, so you can easily change the colour or style as your tastes change. *Left*, stylist LeeAnn Yare used **Resene Grenadier** (orange), **Resene Rice Cake** and **Resene Aquaclear clear**, applying it onto pine plywood and tacking it to the wall. This way, if one tires of it in due course, it can easily be removed. Dress up plain furniture with a touch of metallic paint, like this side table drawer (left) design painted in **Resene Gold**.

1. Leather plant hanger from Collected

2. Reindeer hide from Superette

3. Bedside table from Douglas & Bec

4. Ceramic cup by Claybird Ceramics from Superette

5. Stripe tassel cushion from Superette



WHY YOU SHOULD TRY

# A Black Wall

*Noir finds its way into our interior consciousness, plunging us into sophistication and depth.*



Cronulla residence by Amber Road Design  
Photography by Prue Roscoe

While contemporary interiors tend to favour the freshness offered by all-white walls, an unlikely colour has crept its way into our psyche to assume a place that's far from sombre; black. A signature of modernity, black walls can assert elements of luxury and intrigue all while being one of the most versatile hues on the colour chart. Adept at setting the tone in the bedroom, kitchen or living room, the depth of charcoal delivers bold impact while also serving as an excellent canvas, much like its monochromatic counterpart.

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## Get The Look

When assessing whether to paint a wall black, firstly consider whether there is enough natural light and that the ceilings are sufficiently high. Forgo the ceiling, instead leaving it a bright, light colour so as not to feel boxed-in. **Resene's Gravel** is particularly good for offsetting lighter pieces of art, bright furnishings and objets d'art. Enhance the space with plenty of lighting to ensure it remains inviting. When paired with natural wood finishes and pale floors, the overall effect can well be one of sophistication and depth. And if a commitment to all-black proves too daunting, a charcoal feature wall is a great way to dip one's foot in the ink well.



1. Backenzahn stool  
by e15  
from Simon James design



2. Adnet mirror  
by Jacques Adnet  
for Gubi  
from Cult



3. Mantis floor lamp  
by Bernard Schottlander  
from Backhouse



4. Balloons floor lamp  
by Brokis  
from ECC

5. Yacht print  
from Trenzseater

