



of books and bunks

Clever storage ideas that have been brought to life with paint.

- ▲ This bookcase cleverly combines shelves and hidden storage. It features in a Wairarapa Coast bach, designed by architect Andrew Sexton. The bach won an NZ Institute of Architects Resene Colour Award and uses ply and a mix of coloured laminate (the orange and green cupboard doors) and other blue doors painted in Resene Hullabaloo.
- ✓ This may look like an elevated bunk-style bed, but it's not only that, but a clever storage pod as well. When Sam, now eight, badgered his

mother Michelle Elsmore for a bunk bed, her first reaction was 'no'. She was keen, however, to keep toy storage separate from clothes storage in the wardrobe, so the idea of a raised bed with storage beneath was born – and was designed by Michelle, with help from her cabinetmaker dad, Barry Blamey. It was his idea to have the pull-out trolley, which can be wheeled out into the room. With the bed being a metre wide, the three drawers would have been too deep for easy access, so instead, a spare bed is slotted in behind for when mates come to stay. Another clever feature is



