

# WHAT'S NEXT FOR COLOUR?

We create four moodboards with our favourite colours from Resene's The Range 2010 to stir up the senses.

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WITH THE EXPLOSION OF THE INTERNET AND DIGITAL technologies, we can now have everything right here, right now at any time of the day. Inspiration and ideas are sourced from a myriad of near and far places which is allowing individualism and eclecticism to become more prevalent. Paint provides the freedom to explore this individuality further with unlimited options to combine colours, patterns, textures and sheens until a truly unique atmosphere has been created.

Contrast and contradiction drive the latest colour trends for 2010 – blending layers, textures and the combining of new and old colours in unique combinations. We see the emergence of a trans-seasonal palette where cool colours are drawn into warmer environments and warm colours often find themselves in cooler environments.



## HOMEGROWN

The theme of sustainable living takes centre stage here, and we see a shift in the focus of the green palette. Caring for the environment has become embedded in our culture and the way we do and think about things which is challenging our preconceived ideas of what is truly 'green'. This

underscores a move away from basic earthiness colour schemes, towards the warmth and comfort of copper browns; there is a shift from gold towards yellows, while healthy oranges and pinks pack some punch. A fusion of warmth with the green palette will see brown enhanced golds, warmed yellow greens, and rich dusty greens grow in popularity.



## INTREPID JOURNEY

With the complications of busy modern lifestyles and the concerns of the economy and the environment we yearn to escape our daily routine. This escape is made possible with refreshing and dynamic colours inspired by exotic places and flowers. Hot reds meet rust and exotic oranges, which all provide strong punctuation.

With information overload the need for simplicity is being seen as vital in the emotional era of definite likes and dislikes; this is enabling us to make strong choices, including strong colour selections when creating our own hideaways from the busy world. Strong vibrant colours encourage risk taking. Their strength is optimistic and invigorating.



## LOW TIDE

Here we see a misty soft and thoughtful cast over sectors of the green and blue palette, with frosted, pale aquatic colours. The soft focus hints towards subtle depths and lends a sense of ethereality. The feeling is cool and dominated by blues; additions

of pale greens and soft putty hues complete the look. Blues are softened and diluted, moving away from strong nautical influenced shades to hues reflecting the freshwater aquatic. Frosted glass and Perspex reinforce the misty feeling of these ghost colours. The increasing prevalence of blues in the palette reflects their growing popularity.



## NEARLY NUDE

Neutrals straddle the gap between the safer hues and the stronger accent colours. Neutrals are a blank canvas from which to build up your textures and colour. The mysterious hues of taupe continue to be a key anchoring neutral. Taupe has many subtle nuances; a colour that tends to defy

precise description because of its ability to adapt to other colours and influences in the space it is used. Interior neutrals will start to trend away from cooler grey tones of previous years and instead move towards the soft beiges and nuances of cream and nude which are reminiscent of human skin tones and are soothing to the senses.



**THE LOOK** A new take on natural with brown enhanced golds and rich dusty greens, healthy pinks and oranges pack punch. **IN YOUR HOME** Be inspired by your surroundings; gather fresh foliage and vintage finds to create an eclectic interior.

Fabric swatches from Unique Fabrics, vintage fabrics, ribbons, yellow kettle and embroidery from The Painted Room, pear bowl and apple plate painted in Resene Poprock and Resene Kombi, swatches in Resene First Light, Resene Hot Toddy and Resene Kombi, images of chairs from istock and vintage inspired furniture from Maison & Object. All other accessories stylist's own.



**THE LOOK** Soft diluted blues with pale greens and soft putty hues to complete the look. **IN YOUR HOME** Perfect for a fresh feel in the kitchen or bathroom. Frosted glass and perspex reinforce the misty feeling of these ethereal tones.

Fabric swatches from Unique Fabrics, Kotare card and Nature Neuture fabric from Home Base Collections, tiles from Metro Flooring, bowls and swatches painted in Resene Maestro, Resene Glacier and Resene Fleetwood, images of Silk Blue mosaic tiles from Bisazza and Florence Broadhurst Egrets wallpaper from Signature Prints. All other accessories stylist's own.



**THE LOOK** Escape daily life with dynamic colours; hot reds and rusty oranges create an optimistic and invigorating feel. **IN YOUR HOME** Take a risk with this emotive palette by layering rich tones and textures into the details of your interior.

Fabric swatches from Unique Fabrics, mini brown Bali bowls from Freedom Furniture, Seratone metallic swatches in Bling, Razzle and Plush Gloss from The Laminex Group, frame painted in Resene Pursuit, flowers and lotus pods from Harakeke Flowers, images of Moroccan interiors from istock. All other accessories stylist's own.



**THE LOOK** Moving away from cooler grey tones, taupe hues anchor a neutral palette of soft beiges with nuances of cream and nude. **IN YOUR HOME** Warm neutral tones provide a blank canvas which creates open space and soothes the senses.

Fabric swatches from Unique Fabrics, frames painted in Resene Perfect Taupe and Resene Barely There, tealight holder from Country Road, images of the Sunset Breezhouse by Michelle Kaufmann Designs, Hummingbird wall art from Bride and Wolfe, Fountain card by Sarah Maxey. Found objects stylist's own.