

RESENE SMALL ROOM AWARDS 2023 FINALIST

# Bold birdsong

A moody powder room gets a facelift thanks to whimsical wallpaper

Photography **Rachel Wybrow**

**M**aureen Baird's friends have always said that she's got a good eye for design. Last year, the Timaru resident had a chance to prove it with the completion of her home, picking out Resene colours, designs and Resene wallpapers to bring her vision to life.

"It was very exciting choosing what I liked for the home with so many different styles to choose from these days," she says.

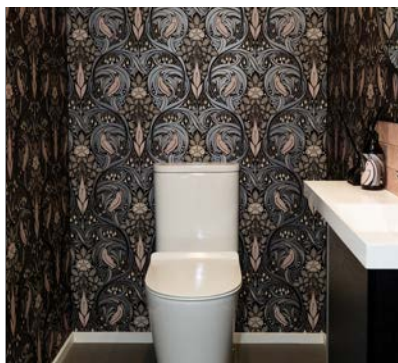
For the powder room, Maureen settled on the "beautiful, moody patterned wallpaper from Resene's English Style Wallpaper Collection MR70100", which feels richly gothic and swooningly romantic all at once. Complementary rose-pink tiles were installed above the vanity to "enhance the pinks in the wallpaper", while the bathroom lighting "reflects the silver in the wallpaper, giving it interest".

The overall effect feels like you're immersed in a William Morris-esque wonderland, a choir of birdsong greeting you upon entry. "The quirky pink birds take your eye straight to them," Maureen says. A black vanity and a luxury fragrance diffuser add the finishing touches to this space. "Our powder room is so exciting, you just don't want to leave."



## SPOT THE BIRDIES

Timaru's Maureen Baird let her imagination run riot with this Resene MR70100 black and silver wallpaper with pink songbirds.



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## HOW TO ENTER

Email photos and a 200-word description of your space to [yhg@aremedia.co.nz](mailto:yhg@aremedia.co.nz) with your last name and 'Resene Small Room' in the subject line. Please include your name, address, email address, daytime phone number, the names of the Resene colours used, and details of when your space was painted and/or wallpapered. Please credit anyone who assisted you in choosing your colours. The five finalists will each appear in *Your Home and Garden*. Every finalist will receive a \$250 Resene ColorShop voucher and a feature in the magazine, with the winner taking out the Resene Small Room Awards and \$1000 cash, plus a story on the winning home will feature in the January 2024 issue.

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