

Make merry

Vibrant and cheerful, it's no wonder red is the colour of Christmas



GO BOLD, BE BRAVE

Using such a bold and dramatic colour as red would make many of us quake with anxiety. But fear not, this rich colour is easier to use than you would think – and not just for Christmas decorating. It's a colour that's having a resurgence as we become more adventurous with our decorating choices and seeking a change from the more subdued tones seen in recent years. Go all out and paint the walls then add touches of softer red in accessories like cushions and vases. Temper the heat of this colour with cool whites and stony beiges... then never look back.

For colours to balance the strength of red, try soft golds, greyed greens and antique whites.

Walls and coffee table painted in Resene Merlot, floor in Resene Quarter Spanish White, and accessories and decorations in Resene Merlot, Resene Quarter Spanish White, Resene Triple Concrete (pale grey) and Resene Ebb (pale pink).



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