

for the kids

babies and beyond

Some cool ideas for kids of all ages.




A starry play tent

Huts, tree houses, teepees and tents. Kids love them. This simple version has a frame made from battens and dowel, painted Resene Goldmine, and a covering made from a length of cloth (curtain lining or calico), which is then potato-printed with stars in Resene Smiles. Add bunting in Resene Smiles and Resene Frozen, then put the tent up inside or out for some fun play time.

To see how to make this tent, go to www.habitatbyresene.com/habitattv.

styling Leigh Stockton
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 Resene Frozen

 Resene Smiles

 Resene Goldmine

Whose room is whose?

Most kids have a favourite colour and most kids want a bit of individuality in their personal spaces. Interior designer Terry Lobb came up with this cool colour-blocking idea to personalise the bedrooms of a family of boys. Using colour on just part of the door and spilling it over onto the wall is a creative twist on just painting the door. Says Terry: "The eye is drawn to the colour rather than having a landing with five doors leading off it" The colours were inspired by the boys' own choices of bed linen and colour in their rooms.

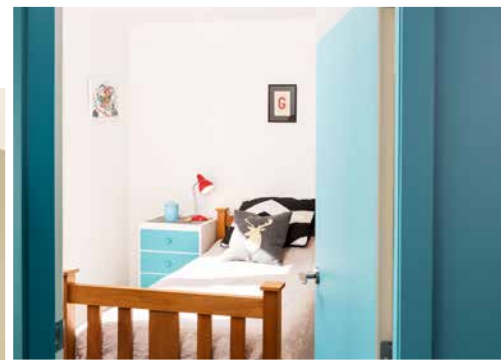
The house is a 'living show home' for eHaus so is open to the public on some days. It was important that the boys had rooms just for themselves, and given that the house build was non-traditional, Terry felt the interiors needed to be a little different, too.

The colours shown here are Resene Retreat (aqua), and Resene Classius with a main wall colour in Resene Mountain Mist.

See more of Terry's work at www.terrylobb.co.nz.

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 Resene Retreat  Resene Classius  Resene Mountain Mist



Gender neutral

While some of us get to know the gender of our babies before they are born, those who don't, or those who don't want a gender-specific room can look to the Resene Whites & Neutrals collection of colours for inspiration.

A nursery painted in warm neutrals, like this one in Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Quarter Merino on the upper wall and Resene Westar on the lower portion, has that on-trend eco look and one that can easily grow with the child. Or the room can be converted to another use later on.

If you want a hint of boy or girl, add decorative accessories like this hand-crafted mobile. It uses wooden Christmas decorations, with some of the sides painted in Resene Westar and others in soft pink Resene Romantic. String it onto a quirky coat hanger and then onto a wall hook. Easy.

The box shelves on the wall have also been painted at the back in Resene Westar.

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 Resene Romantic  Resene Westar  Resene Quarter Merino