

# COLOUR CONFIDENCE

**For many home decorators painting is the easy part. What's scary is choosing the right colours. Take heart, help is at hand ...**

You don't have to always play it safe to create a delicious colour scheme for your home. Predictable and boring are being bypassed as home colour schemes become more individual. Colour trends are lasting longer, with a slow waxing and waning of favourites. Many more decorators are seeking cheerful environments with optimistic bright colours, while the more conservative continue to choose dark hues and neutrals.

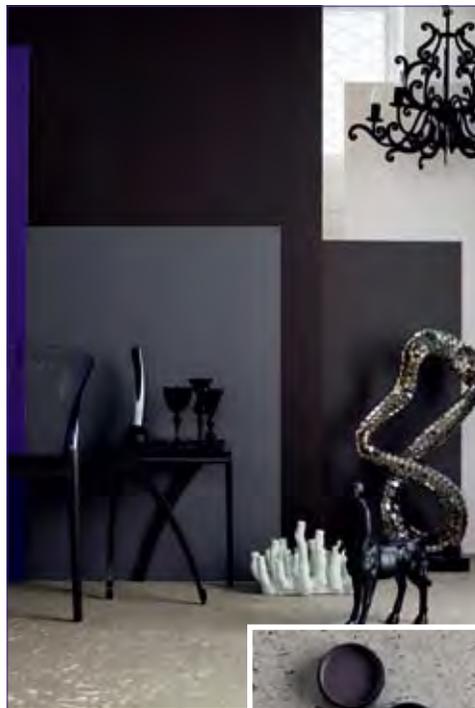
The latest colour palette from *Resene, The Range 2011/12*, teamed with the popular *The Range Whites & Neutrals*, results in some stunning colour combinations. Even the most neutral schemes can include strong splashes of intense accent colours in feature areas or accessories.

Neutrals, browns and beiges are tending towards warmer comforting variants, such as *Resene Secret Road* and *Resene Fantail*. There is a move from greys to browns, warm neutrals and mineral-inspired hues, including subtle flesh tones such as *Resene Half Rickshaw*. Off-whites are pure and uncomplicated, and there is a comeback of cool white, such as *Resene Barely There*, as a background neutral.

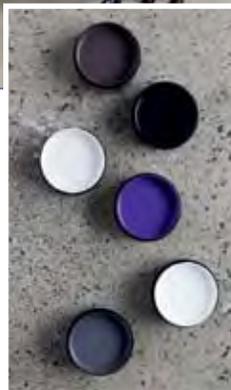
Pink diverges into many hues from soft to luscious, such as *Resene Smitten* and *Resene Devoted*, to suit a wider range of projects. Blues are also growing in number, with intense blues, such as *Resene Magnum* and *Resene Nite Life*, a viable neutral alternative to grey or black. Combine the simplicity of blue and silver, such as *Resene Silver Streak*, for a luxurious modern look.

## MONO MAGIC

Head to the city for a truly urban look with the growing range of coffee bean blacks



and clean greys from *The Range 2011/12*. Use *Resene Thriller* (grey), *Resene Blackout* (rear) and *Resene Black Sheep* against the clean elegance of *Resene Half Alabaster* but have some fun with an eye-punching bright, such as *Resene Grapevine* (purple).



## OF SEA AND SAND

Nature continues its influence with fresh colours, rustic textures and the beauty of handcrafted pieces. Watery blues, such as *Resene Awash* are refreshing and optimistic while muddied greens such as *Resene Gondwana* (second left) are earthy and natural. Crossover hues that move from green to blue such as *Resene Calypso* (third from



left) feature in *The Range 2011/12*. Set these against washed, sandy and weathered neutrals for timeless appeal – *Resene Half Rickshaw* (back left), *Resene First Light*.



## BRIGHT AND BREEZY

Colours for 2011/12 are generally cleaner and less complicated with touches of uber bright reds, oranges, yellows and violets, such as *Resene Switched On* (yellow) and *Resene Pukeko* (purple), to draw the eye. Clear greens such as *Resene Howzat* and spicy oranges like *Resene Outrageous* are perfect for playful spaces and kids' rooms. Saturated reds are in abundance,



from deep rusty hues to those with a feminine pink twist such as *Resene Knock Out*. Use clean crisp neutrals such as *Resene Half Alabaster* (at the back) and *Resene Blackjack* to offset the strength of these bold tones.



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