

Team players

In the next instalment in our paint-pairing series, we talk you through a green and off-white herringbone effect.

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INSPIRATION California cactus garden.

Hero colours:



Resene Seaweed



Resene Spanish White

Supporting palette:



Resene Rumour Has It



Resene Half Tea



Resene Elixir



Step by step:

1. To prepare the surface, clean and dry your floor, then seal (consult with your local Resene ColorShop about the right primer/sealer for your flooring).
2. Using a roller, apply two or three coats of Resene Lumbersider in Resene Spanish White. Leave to dry for 48 hours.
3. To mask the pattern, cut a few 42cm-long strips of 36mm-wide low-tack masking tape; cut more as you go and work out how many you need (we used three 50m rolls for our 3.6 x 2.4m floor).
4. Working your way down one side of the room, create one row of lines at a time, starting slightly away from the top corner (do the corners last). Stick the end of the first strip against the wall and extend it downwards at a 45-degree angle.
5. Moving down the wall, stick the second strip parallel to the first, again at a 45-degree angle, spaced using a brick template (this is downloadable from homestyle.co.nz). Continue to complete your first row of strips.
6. Using the template to guide you, affix a second row of strips that run upwards at 90 degrees to mirror the first row. Repeat the pattern over the entire floor. Press the edges of the tape down well to ensure no paint can seep through.
7. Using a roller, apply two or three coats of Resene Lumbersider in Resene Seaweed over the entire floor. Leave to dry for 48 hours, then peel off the tape and seal with a protective topcoat of Resene Uracryl 402 Clear.

For a visual step-by-step guide, visit homestyle.co.nz.

FROM LEFT Wall in Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen in Resene Spanish White; floor in Resene Lumbersider in Resene Spanish White and Resene Lumbersider in Resene Seaweed, prepped with Resene primer/sealer and sealed with Resene Uracryl 402 Clear, resene.co.nz. Iringa Woven basket (used as planter), \$263/set of two; 3D dining chairs, \$660 each, cittadesign.com. Alps dining table, \$699; Bateman pendant light, \$299, freedomfurniture.co.nz. Cereal bowls by Gidon Bing, \$40 each, simonjamesdesign.com. Deacon jug, \$55, cittadesign.com. Desert Vista Blush framed print, \$299, shutthefrontdoor.co.nz. OPPOSITE Terracotta planter by Wundaire, \$220, tessuti.co.nz. Plants and flowers stylist's own.

