Explore a range of shimmering colours with Resene's innovative special effects collection of metallic and pearlescent finsishes. As a chemist that changes colour according to its surroundings, light striking a surface coated with Resene special effects creates the unexpected illusion of colour movement. A building coated with Resene special effects shimmers in response to the sun's position and intensity.

With systems developed for virtually any use, Resene metallics and special effects will transform a building and add an extra dimension to a wide area of rooms from exterior concrete and stonework through to interior feature walls, doors, joinery and furniture.

Best system
Resene FX Metallic, a waterborne metallic effect finish, is recommended over interior concrete and plaster if it is being applied over fresh concrete, Resene Limelock (see Data Sheet D809) must be applied first to cure and seal the surface, otherwise alkalinity from the concrete may attack the aluminium flake and destroy the integrity and appearance of the coating. Resene FX Metallic is also the preferred product for interior work because of its Environmental Choice approval and seal.

Resene Imperator I.F. 503, a spray applied high performance coatings, is more durable than Resene FX Metallic in exterior situations and is the preferred exterior system for maximum durability, especially over new stonework.

Resene metallics are different in chemistry to standard acrylics and epoxies and need to be handled with precision and care. Variations in colour can occur between Resene FX Metallic and Resene Imperator I.F. 503 due to their different inherent film forming properties.

Resene FX Pearl Shimmer is a waterborne pearlescent glaze, ideal for creating shimmering wall finishes and subtly sparkled finishes to add visual interest and diversity to any scheme. Always used in conjunction with a tinted basecoat.

Surface preparation
In addition to the excellent surface preparation and a level 5 finish is recommended when painting papered plasterboard to minimise surface imperfections. A level 5 finish requires skim coating of the entire surface with Resene Broadwall Surface Prep & Seal (see Data Sheet D807) or Resene Broadwall 3 in 1 (see Data Sheet D810).