

The French seem to be able to make the most rustic of Provincial farmhouse kitchens look a million francs and the most frou-frou of apartments look both refined and simple.

Bonjour to wallpaper inspiration from France. Indulge in a little luxury and Parisian chic. The Resene Trianon XIII Wallpaper Collection brings French style living into your home with shimmering and velvety looks, baroque ornamentation and embroidered patterns ideal for living rooms and bedrooms.

Parisian style is more difficult for us to capture as it is often set against a backdrop of grand architectural features – columns, ornate wall panelling, vast windows and soaring ceilings.

To replicate the style, think grand and glamorous. And then double it. Huge gilt-framed mirrors propped against the wall, opulent chandeliers, intricately painted antique sideboards, rococo wallpapers, swathes of damask at the windows, vast artworks or theatre posters and parquet timber flooring.

Classic Parisian apartments use jewel colours but with an edge of timeworn elegance – think crushed purple velvets and crimson damask. This look can be recreated with Resene FX Paint Effects mixed with sumptuous Resene colours to create tonal washed effects and finishes that feel timelessly beautiful. Embrace flat finishes, such as Resene SpaceCote Flat, to diffuse the light and bring out the depth in deeper

jewel colours. Dress up walls by adding ornamentation with decorative wainscoting then paint in a deep delicious Resene hue.

One more restrained interpretation is to use a strong palette of black and white with hues like Resene Charcoal and Resene Alabaster, with touches of Resene FX Metallic Gold paint and glass. Then you can keep the grand scale of your accessories without feeling too overpowered by your interiors.



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