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DIY ideas

Roll on summer



Window painted in Resene Lustacryl in Resene Permanent Green and weatherboards in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Green White.

The sun is shining, so roll up your sleeves and get stuck into these weekend DIY jobs and fun paint projects.

1

Hit the deck

If you prefer the look of solid colour to stain, or you're keen to stick to the colour palette of your home, painting your bare deck is an ideal option. It looks great and protects the timber for years to come. Treat your deck first with Resene & Moss and Mould Killer, then scrub



with Resene Timber and Deck Wash. If it's already painted, wash down with Resene Paint Prep and Housewash. Fill any nail holes

and spot prime as required, then apply two coats of Resene Walk-on flooring and paving paint mixed with Resene Anti-Slip Grip Additive for a non-slip finish.

Deck painted in Resene Walk-on in Resene Green White, balustrade painted in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Green White and rail in Resene Permanent Green.

Resene Green White

Resene Permanent Green

2

You've been framed

Painting your windows inside and out is not only essential home maintenance, you'll be surprised at the big impact it has. On the inside, clean with Resene Interior Paintwork Cleaner, prime and fill any holes, sand and remove sanding dust, then prime with Resene Quick Dry and topcoat with Resene Lustacryl or Resene Enamacryl. Outside, treat with Resene Moss & Mould Killer and clean with Resene Paint Prep and Housewash, then follow the same prep, prime and paint steps as the inside.

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French touch

Like windows, French doors can look like new with a fresh coat of paint. Clean and prep as above, then spot prime with Resene Quick Dry, and prime fully with Resene Wood Primer. Once dry, apply two coats of Resene Lustacryl in your chosen colour.

4

Game over

This epic oversized DIY stacking set is a great way to get the kids involved in your next project. Once built, it'll hopefully keep them occupied playing outside! It would also make a great gift, so keep it in mind for summer birthdays. You'll need 54 pieces of timber, cut to 900mm x 450mm x 270mm, and some Resene Waterborne Woodsman testpots to stain them in your favourite Resene wood stain colours. Now get stacking!

These blocks are stained in Resene Pickled Bean, Resene Tamarind, Resene Grey Green and Resene Natural.



Resene Pickled Bean

Resene Tamarind

Resene Grey Green

Resene Natural

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Paper power

Bring the vibrant hues of summer and nature into your home with Resene wallpaper. Beautiful and bold wallpapers are a feast for the senses and can transform a space into a living work of art. And thanks to modern paste-the-wall wallpaper, it's easier to apply than ever. Head to your local Resene ColorShop to browse the designs and chat with the helpful staff.

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Hang tight

Make your own beach towel hanger – a fun pop of colour might even encourage the kids to hang their towels up after a dip! Attach four hooks to a piece of timber, then use testpots to paint it in your favourite Resene colours. Hang it at the back door or in the laundry.

This guide has general information for a range of projects – check with Resene ColorShop or reseller staff for advice for your project. Colours shown are a representation only. Please refer to the actual paint or product sample before making your final choice.



Resene Stories of Life Wallpaper Collection 39647-2.

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Wall decals

If you're looking for a room update but are short on time, quickly add some bold and botanical flair with one of the new Resene wall decals. They come in nature-inspired Resene colours in a range of designs inspired by New Zealand's native flora and fauna, like this toetoe in Resene Forest Green.

View online at www.resene.com/walld decals and order at Resene ColorShops.



Resene Living Elysium duvet in Resene Bounty.

Need to know

What's new

Get inspired by these new and trending Resene products to transform both the inside and outside of your home.

Tool time

Tending to your garden has never been easier or more aesthetically pleasing! The new Resene Grow garden tools and gloves have been designed for durability and comfort – plus they come in vibrant Resene FX Fluoro Yellow so you'll never lose them in the garden.

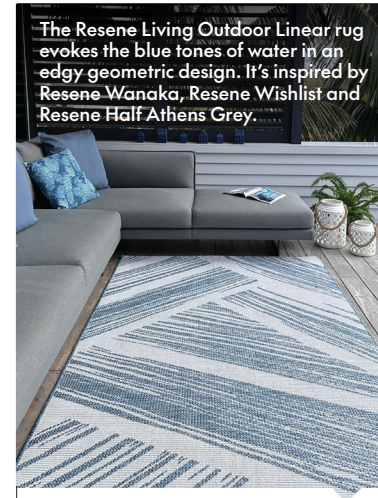
Available from Mitre 10, Nichol's and respected garden centres.



Play ball

New Resene Sports Court Coating is a coloured non-skid coating ideal for play spaces like tennis or basketball courts. It comes in a range of colours and the finish has a slight bounce, making it easy to run around on and comfortable to play on.

Order from Resene ColorShops and selected resellers.



The Resene Living Outdoor Linear rug evokes the blue tones of water in an edgy geometric design. It's inspired by Resene Wanaka, Resene Wishlist and Resene Half Athens Grey.



Get a grip

When painting outdoor areas and stairs, use Resene Anti-Slip Grip Additive in your paint to create a safer walking surface – it's ideal to add to Resene Walk-on. Top tip: If your stairs are at a main entry, paint the step edges white to make them easier to see.

Available from Resene ColorShops and selected resellers.

Under cover

Woven in a combination of bouclé stripes and contrast yarns, this Resene Living Elysium duvet cover set will add texture and dimension to your bedroom and help to create a restful sleep sanctuary. It's available in three colours inspired by popular hues Resene Cod Grey, Resene Bounty and Resene Alabaster.

Available from Briscoes.

Resene Alabaster

Resene Bounty

Resene Cod Grey

Resene Forest Green

Rug up

Bring a stylish and practical pop of colour to your outdoor area this summer with a rug from the Resene Living Outdoor range. Inspired by Resene paint colours, these rugs can be used both inside and out, plus are UV resistant and water repellent.

Available from Mitre 10.

Ask an expert

Insider tips



Resene Paint Expert Jay Sharples shares his advice to get your summer maintenance sorted.

What are your essential summer home maintenance jobs? Top of my list is my deck. I treated it with Resene Moss & Mould Killer a few weeks ago and will be staining it with Resene Woodsman Wood Oil in Resene Natural.

What are some quick and affordable ways to spruce up outdoor entertaining areas?

Adding colour anywhere you can always helps. Painting my timber chairs is on my list. They'll definitely need cleaning with Resene Moss & Mould Killer, and as I've stained them previously I'll prime with Resene Wood Primer. I'll then paint them with Resene Lustacryl – I'm currently negotiating colours with my wife.

Best hot weather painting tip? Protect yourself with sunscreen, a hat and sunnies. Plan your day and start earlier when it's a bit cooler. Use Resene Hot Weather Additive or Resene Brushing Additive where required. Also drink plenty of fluids!



For more tips and advice on summer jobs, visit www.masterstrokebyresene.com/summer-painting

Learn more



Need help? Visit your local Resene ColorShop or reseller. Ask a Resene Paint Expert free online at www.resene.com/paintexpert or ask a Resene Colour Expert at www.resene.com/colouexpert. Keen to refresh your home but need help with the painting? Use the free Find-A-Painter service at www.resene.com/findapainter or ask at your local Resene ColorShop.

Weekend refresh

The great outdoors



Block wall painted in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Alabaster and Resene Smooth Operator, pizza oven base painted in Resene Resitex Standard in Resene Smooth Operator, timber bench finished in Resene Furniture and Decking Oil, pavers painted in Resene Walk-on in Resene Kalgoorie Sands and plant pots in Resene Flax and Resene Gold Coast.

ColorShop or reseller to not only talk colour, but also paint types and preparation products. There are different substrates in outdoor areas, like concrete blocks, pavers and timber, and each needs a slightly different treatment. Ask the team to talk you through each surface in the space, and how it should be prepared, primed and painted.

Pave the way

Replacing outdoor concrete pavers can be a hugely expensive process, so a good alternative is to paint them to create a fresh new look. Before you begin, it's crucial to get rid of all the grime

and dirt that has built up over time. Spray the entire area with Resene Moss & Mould Killer, which blitzes off all the mould and spores, plus removes all the grime so that the paint will adhere efficiently. Dilute it according to the instructions on the pack, then use a garden sprayer to saturate your pavers – remember to wear your safety gear when doing this. Leave on the surface for 24-48 hours to achieve a full kill. You may need to do this twice to take care of heavy infestations.

Once dry, prime all the pavers with Resene Concrete Primer, then topcoat with Resene Walk-on flooring and paving paint in your chosen colour.



Top tip: If your outdoor area tends to get slippery, use Resene

Non-Skid Deck and Path. Its gritty finish will provide extra protection on sloped and very slippery areas.

Entertaining al fresco is a given in our part of the world, but it needs to be done in a space you're proud to host in. It's amazing what you can do to uplift a weather-worn courtyard with the right preparation and the power of Resene paint and stain.

First things first

There is huge potential and value to be added when you take on an outdoor project, and you can theoretically add another space to your property without spending too much.

Really consider your existing area and don't rush the process. It can get overwhelming when there are so many options, so take the time to find solutions for your unique space and get a proper feel of how they could

work for you. It will add so much function to your outdoors.

Top tip: When you're painting surfaces that can get hot, if you can hold your hand on the surface while it's at full heat, you can paint it. If it's too hot to do that, don't paint it.

Ask the experts

Before embarking on any new project, it's always advised to head down to your local Resene

To see how Alice and Caleb Pearson used these tips to transform their courtyard, visit www.masterstrokebyresene.com/courtyard-refresh.



Watch



Resene Alabaster

Resene Smooth Operator

Resene Kalgoorie Sands

Resene Flax

Resene Gold Coast

Resene Natural

Top tip: To add definition, depth and visual interest to your wall, consider a two-toned effect with a lighter Resene colour on the top half.

The stain event

A nicely stained deck can make a huge difference to how your outdoor area looks and give it a polished, well-finished look. It can also help it look its best for longer. Stains and oils help to protect decks from the weather, so they stay in better shape

and will be less prone to drying out, splitting and causing splinters. New timber can be stained directly with your chosen stain, but if your deck is older, first treat any mould with Resene Moss &

Mould Killer. After that, wash with Resene Timber and Deck Wash and give the deck a good scrub. Rinse thoroughly, then apply two coats of stain, waiting at least 24 hours between each.

Top tip: Deck stains generally need a maintenance coat every two to three summers.



Deck finished with Resene Furniture and Decking Oil.

Block party

Sturdy concrete block exterior walls can often create great privacy and protection in your outdoor area, but when left in their original condition, painted in a dated colour or not maintained properly, they can unfortunately create much more of an eyesore than an enhancer. The good news is that painting these concrete blocks is an instant way to absolutely transform the area and will have you wondering why you didn't do it sooner!

If mould is present, follow the same instructions as the pavers and treat with Resene Moss & Mould Killer. Once rinsed and dry, prime with Resene Concrete Primer and topcoat in your favourite Resene colour using Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen.



Get inspired

Elevate your space

If you're not in need of a major makeover, these small, cost-effective and high-impact changes are easy to achieve.

Serve up something extra

Painting older outdoor furniture is another way to refresh and update it. If you're lucky enough to have a pizza oven, painting it with Resene Resitex or Resene Sandtex in your favourite colour will give it an authentic, textured finish. Prime first with Resene



Concrete Primer. Add a pop of colour by using a bold Resene colour to transform weathered timber chairs into statement pieces. Treat with Resene Moss & Mould Killer, clean with Resene Timber and Deck Wash, then

Pizza oven base painted in Resene Resitex Standard in Resene Smooth Operator.



Block wall painted in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Alabaster, timber bench finished in Resene Furniture and Decking Oil and plant pots painted with Resene Aquapel & Terracotta Sealer with topcoats of Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Flax.

Planter boxes stained with Resene Furniture and Decking Oil.



lightly sand and wipe away sanding dust. Prime with Resene Quick Dry and topcoat with Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in your chosen colour.

Planter power

If you have timber planter boxes outside, a fresh coat of stain will make them look as good as new, as well as protect the timber for years to come. Resene Furniture and Decking Oil gives a natural looking finish that allows the beauty of the wood grain to shine through. It also provides protection against water, fungi, and UV light.

Exteriors

Summer staining



Home stained with Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain CoolColour in Resene Dark Oak.

Using stains to refresh your home, outdoor living areas and fences is the perfect job to get done while the weather is warm.

Why stain?

Resene Woodsman wood stains have a semi-transparent finish and protect your timber from UV light, wind and rain, as well as damage from fungi and mould. Resene Woodsman stains also enhance the natural beauty of the timber by allowing the grain to show through. Wood stains create a soft look that's in tune with the natural environment and are usually faster and easier to apply than paints.

Essential prep

Whether it's weatherboards, a pergola, a fence or a deck chair, all outdoor timber needs to be treated using Resene Moss & Mould Killer. Allow the product to soak into the timber for 48 hours and then scrub and rinse clean. It's important to then wash it with Resene Timber and Deck Wash to remove any dirt and to open

up the grain of the timber. Scrub before rinsing clean. Take your time on this step to ensure you get the best results.

Colour code

The final look of your stain will depend on the type of timber you have, the colour of the stain and how many coats you apply. For example, a wood stain applied to a light timber such as pine or Siberian larch will appear brighter than a stain applied to a darker timber like cedar. It's best to test a stain first

on an inconspicuous part of the surface you are staining, or on a timber off-cut. Luckily Resene Waterborne Woodsman stains are available in testpots so you can try out different colours until you find the perfect shade.

Top tip: If you're using a dark exterior stain (or paint), opt for the Resene CoolColour version. These are made with special pigment technology that reflects more of the sun's heat and keeps the timber and your stain or paint cooler. This looks like the normal colour but won't get as hot when the sun's out.



For more advice visit your local Resene ColorShop or reseller or visit www.masterstrokebyresene.com/stain-faqs.

Top tip: For previously stained timber, the preparation will depend on the type of stain and its condition. New stain will not penetrate through an existing stain layer. Splash water onto the surface – if the water beads up, the stain will need to be stripped or sanded back or allowed to undergo further weathering. If a penetrating stain was previously used, scrubbing with Resene Timber and Deck Wash should suffice. However, the water splash test should still be used.

Application perfection

When applying a Resene Woodsman stain, allow it to soak into the surface of the timber for two to three minutes before wiping off any excess stain with a clean, dry cloth. With the first coat, aim to saturate the timber, but don't apply too much stain – it needs to be able to soak in. Older wood may absorb more stain than new wood, and the second coat will be easier to apply than the first. Two coats should be sufficient but in some cases you may wish to apply three coats. Apply with a brush, speedbrush or roller depending on your surface, and use a Deck Master deck brush to make the job easier.

Learn more



Advice for exterior staining

- Apply Resene Woodsman stains following the grain of the timber.
- Maintain a wet edge by making sure that the last stroke of stain doesn't dry before the next stroke is applied.
- Apply stain in small sections to avoid visible lines and lap marks.
- Avoid staining in the middle of the day in direct sunshine as the stain may dry too quickly. You can always start earlier in the day or set up a gazebo to give you some shade. You also want to give the stain plenty of time to dry before it gets wet, so watch out for rain.
- As a general rule, Resene recommends a deck refresh and restain every two to three years.



• To maintain your deck, spray on Resene Deep Clean every six to 12 months and leave it to work with the weather. This will help your deck finish last longer.

- If you're using a brush, make sure you choose one you're comfortable with. For big jobs like weatherboards, a 75mm paintbrush is a great choice. Remember that as you're staining, your brush is going to feel heavier as the day goes on.
- If staining a deck, let the stain dry before walking on it or replacing any furniture.

Interiors

Spruce your space

Small changes can make a huge impact to your social zones for indoor entertaining over summer at your place.

While your friends and family certainly don't come over to your place and expect it to look like a show home, keeping it clean, tidy and presentable will often make you more inclined to offer it as a location for gathering. If you're hosting get-togethers or barbecues, there are a few things you can do that will instantly lift and brighten your kitchen, dining and living areas.

All the trimmings

Looking for a quick and easy room lift? Paint your trims with Resene Lustacryl semi-gloss waterborne enamel. Refreshing your window frames, skirting boards and architraves has a surprisingly significant impact. These surfaces are subjected to all sorts of daily wear and tear and can start to look scruffy very quickly, so a fresh coat of paint is just the thing to get them

looking good as new in no time. Trims help to emphasise the wall colour, and in more modern builds they highlight the architecture of the home itself. The general rule is to go with a lighter variation if you're using a neutral wall colour.

The top five Resene whites for trims

Resene Black White

Resene Alabaster

Resene Half Black White

Resene Rice Cake

Resene Half Rice Cake

For everything you need to decorate your home inside and out this summer and to view large swatches of Resene colours in the colour library, visit your local Resene ColorShop or reseller, or ask a Resene Colour Expert free online at resene.com/colourexpert.



Kitchen cabinets painted in Resene Lustacryl Kitchen & Bathroom in Resene Green Spring, benchtop in Resene Uracryl 402 in Resene Alabaster.

wiping away all sanding dust. If your cabinets are varnished, prime with Resene Waterborne Sureseal so the new paint has something to stick to, followed by Resene Quick Dry to stop any of the old colour bleeding through. If they're laminate or melamine, use Resene Laminate and Melamine Primer instead of Resene Waterborne Sureseal. Finally, topcoat with Resene Lustacryl Kitchen & Bathroom, which is perfect for wet areas thanks to its added MoulDefender and anti-bacterial silver.

Bench press

Over your tired, dated benchtop but don't have the funds to replace it? Paint it! Priming products and the order in which they're applied are crucial here, not just for looks but paint performance and durability. First apply Resene Waterborne Sureseal pigmented sealer, followed by Resene Quick Dry waterborne primer undercoat to make the surface uniform. After waiting 48 hours for the primer to dry completely, apply your topcoat – Resene Uracryl 402 urethane acrylic tinted to your favourite Resene colour.

Cabinet maker

Don't stop at the benchtop – drab kitchen cabinets can also be painted in a stylish Resene colour. Give them a good clean with Resene Interior Paintwork Cleaner, then a sand with wet and dry sandpaper,



Feature length

Choosing to paint a wall in a feature colour is one of the most low-cost, high-impact ways you can make a change to your home. The benefit of painting in summer is that you can throw open doors and windows for ventilation and

to significantly speed up your drying time. As always, proper prep is key to getting the best, most professional looking results. When it comes to colour, remember that it's your home so you can be as bold and daring as you like! The beauty of a feature wall is that an impactful colour won't completely overwhelm the space.

Ask an expert

Bring summer inside



Resene Colour Expert Meryl Southey shares her top tips for summer styling.

- Comfort is a key consideration for social spaces, especially living areas. If you're hosting a larger group of guests, then use bean bags and large cushions as a cost effective way to add more seating, or add a few custom-made cushions to an old sofa.

- Paint is the most cost-effective way to upscale a social space for summer. Start small if you are a novice – source objects from thrift stores that work in with your interior style and paint them in summer hues you resonate with.

- If you're lucky enough to have a garden, forage for things to bring inside including old pots and planters, and update them with seasonal colours. Plants improve air quality and have been shown to decrease stress, so bring them in for a breath of fresh air!

- I'm drawn to softer colours and lighter textures for summer – blues, honey yellows and soft terracotta. They resonate with the holidays.

Resene Island Time

Resene Muka

Resene Awaken

Resene Japonica

DIY project

Growing green



There's nothing more satisfying than growing your own produce. You'll save money, consume pesticide-free veges, fruit and herbs, and minimise your environmental impact. Check out these outdoor projects, all brought to life with Resene products.

Pave the way

Customising your garden is a great way to make it a pleasure to work in, as well ensure that it looks its best. Painting your pavers couldn't be easier and we've chosen a combo of nature-inspired tonal Resene greens for our durable Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen topcoat.

Resene Highland

Resene Dingley

Resene Clover

Resene Natural

Resene Pitch Black

Mixing Resene Anti-Slip Grip Additive into your paint will also ensure your pavers are easy to walk on. Remember to treat moss and mould with Resene Moss & Mould Killer before you paint to get a good finish.

Out of the box

Raised garden beds provide ideal growing conditions for all kinds of plants as the soil will



remain aerated. Measure your desired area and build them from timber, then topcoat with your favourite Resene paint or stain. Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain is an ideal choice as it protects the timber, and provides stylish colour. Apply Resene Water Lockout to the inside to line the planter, then fill with topsoil before planting.

Top tip: The key to making this planter box successfully is to use Resene Water Lockout on the inside to provide a water-resistant coating.



To watch the how-to videos for these projects, visit www.masterstrokebyresene.com/glasshouse-projects.

Planter boxes stained in Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain in Resene Pitch Black, potting station in Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain in Resene Natural and pavers painted in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Highland, Resene Dingley and Resene Clover.



Plant the seed

Building a sturdy timber potting station is a gift to your future self, as it'll save your back and knees from long-term pain and strain after constantly bending down. It works equally well in the garage or garden shed, and coating it with Resene Woodsman Wood Oil Stain provides a professional looking finish and shows off the natural beauty of the timber.

Top tip: Pouring your paint into a roller tray or paint pot will help prevent the main can from getting contaminated with dirt and dust from the surface you are painting and makes the painting process much easier.

Step-by-step



Get inspired

Pot luck

Paint your outdoor plant pots in a new colour to match your updated colour scheme – or to stand out as statement pieces. The key is paint the pot inside and outside with Resene Aquapel & Terracotta Sealer first, as this will prevent moisture coming through the pot and blistering off your paint. Once dry, topcoat with Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in your chosen Resene colour or use Resene Sandtex for extra texture.



Pots sealed with Resene Aquapel & Terracotta Sealer then painted in Resene Lumbersider Low Sheen in Resene Gold Coast and Resene Flax.



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