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OUR EXPERTS



Meet **Marianne Shillingford**, our **Creative Director** and **colour guru** who'll help you pick the perfect palette.

PRODUCT KEY

We let you know which paint we've used throughout the magazine with swatches and tins (below) – making it super-easy for you to shop everything you see in store.

ON THE COVER



Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat;
Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall;
Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood



Keep an eye out for **Matt Gray**, our **Skills Development Consultant** and our resident go-to guy for all things **DIY**.

Our partners

Choose your perfect colour

1 EXPLORE OUR PAINT
Browse the colour chart on pages 20-26 of this magazine or head to dulux.co.uk.



2 VISUALISE YOUR SHADES
Get a feeling for how a colour will work on your walls with the **Visualizer App** – download it free today.



3 TRY BEFORE YOU BUY
Put your shortlisted shades to the test with **Roller Testers** – pick up in store or at dulux.co.uk.



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We promise our paint will give you the perfect colour with a uniform finish and the coverage stated, or we'll replace it. See p21 for T&Cs.



ECO WINS

We've designed all the features in this issue with sustainability in mind. Look out for our ideas on how to make the most of the paint you buy.



Chic Shadow™

Pressed Petal™

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COLOUR OF THE YEAR 2022
BRIGHT SKIES™

Cornflower White™

Blood Orange™

Colour lookbook

Recharge and feel inspired with soft and airy shades

Our homes can be sanctuaries away from the world – where we escape the everyday hustle and bustle. Using soothing soft pastel paint colours is the ideal way to create a timeless, relaxed look. **Pressed Petal**, **Chic Shadow** and **Blood Orange** – mid-tone, dusky shades that work well alone or combined – are warm and welcoming, perfect for setting the mood. Use them alongside our **Colour of the Year 2022, Bright Skies** – an uplifting light blue that’s fresh, revitalising and full of optimism – for an effect that nourishes our wellbeing in any space. Mix and match these tones to bring a breath of fresh air to any room, from kitchens and dining rooms to living spaces and bedrooms. Or pick your favourite shade and use in multiple areas for a calm, cohesive feel that flows throughout your home.

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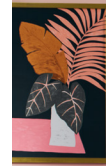
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Create a soothing mood with furniture and accessories in coordinating mid-tone shades



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Pressed Petal™

White Cotton™

Blood Orange™

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OBJECTS OF DESIRE

- Go beyond black and select a sleek radio that coordinates with your room. The Rambler BT Stereo Radio by **Roberts** is available in this stunning dusky pink.
- For a classic yet contemporary look, choose flooring with character, such as these Victorian Flooring Newbury Terracotta tiles from our partner **Topps Tiles**.
- An accent chair is perfect for a bedroom, lounge or to bring an unloved corner to life. Choose a rich colour to add a layer of luxury, such as this Enchanted accent chair in orange velvet from **DFS**.
- Introduce subtle shine with warm metallics – this spun metal Galley 40cm Copper Easy Fit Pendant from **Dunelm** is ideal.
- The Java range from our furniture retail partner **DFS** includes this Large Pattern Scatter cushion, available in Colour of the Year 2022 **Bright Skies**, and five shades from the complementary colour palettes.

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Soothe your spirits with the warmth of pink tones, muted grey and soft orange



Bright Skies™
Blood Orange™
Cornflower White™

SPACE TO UNWIND

(Below) Combining complementary warm tones with an uplifting band of Colour of the Year 2022 **Bright Skies** transforms a living room. **Pressed Petal** walls add a cocooning feel, while an accent of **Blood Orange** helps to define display shelving.



Pressed Petal™
Blood Orange™
Bright Skies™

UPLIFTING COLOUR

(Above) A hallway is the perfect place to add a warm shade, making the space feel welcoming when you walk through the door. Try using **Blood Orange** with **Cornflower White** trim to add contrast and echo the tones alongside **Bright Skies** in a connecting room.



Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat; Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall

EXPERT KNOW-HOW Marianne Shillingford

"It's simple to create a bedroom sanctuary away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Try painting your walls in pretty pale pink **Pressed Petal** combined with **Bright Skies**. This fresh blue can be used to define a space that needs a different feel, such as a dressing area."



Bright Skies™
Pressed Petal™

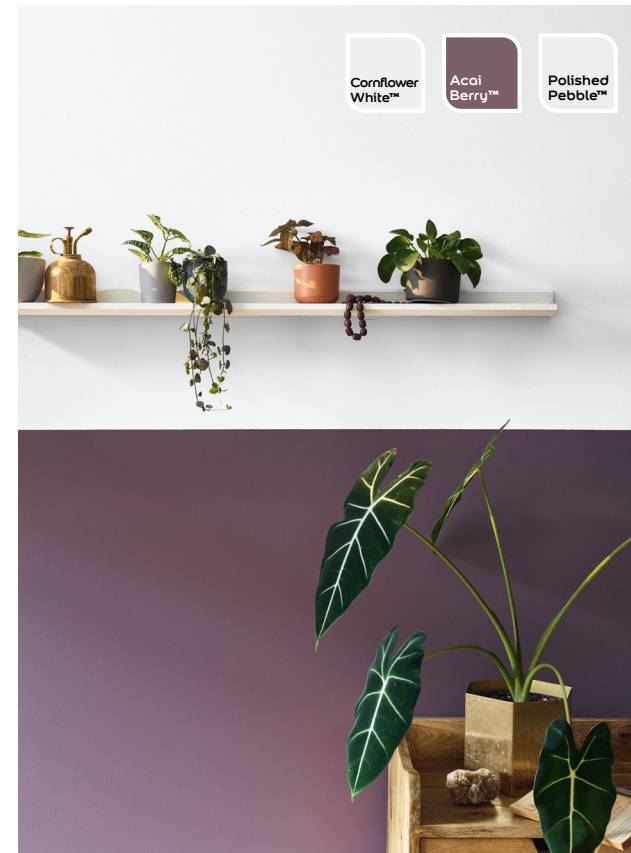
Spotlight on...

Bedroom sanctuaries



A combination of cocooning colours brings instant calm

Getting a good night's sleep is about more than a comfy bed – it's dependent on a tranquil space. Soft, toning colours, such as subtle pinks and purples, and an uncluttered look set the mood for snoozing. Here, we've chosen **Cornflower White** as the main wall colour, contrasted with rich **Acai Berry**.



CONTINUE THE COLOUR
Rather than buying a headboard, painting one on the wall is a great way to add impact without bulk. It's also more cost-effective than buying one, plus you can update it when you fancy a new look. We've chosen **Acai Berry Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall** – a sumptuous shade that blends beautifully with soft pinks, pale greys and even muted mustard tones. Mark out the height of your painted section using string and chalk, then use masking tape to ensure a crisp line. Head to our YouTube channel for our easy to follow video that shows you how.
Cluttered rooms stimulate the senses, so opt for simple, pared-back displays, and choose colours that tone in. After applying a suitable primer, we painted this small shelf in **Polished Pebble Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood** – a neutral grey that complements the wall.

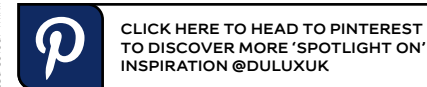
Eco Win: Using Simply Refresh means you only need one coat – so you'll save on how much paint you buy as well as saving on time.

Opt for pared-back displays and complementary tones

ADD POPS OF COLOUR

Creating a calm bedroom doesn't mean you can't introduce brighter colours. If you have spare wood and metal paint from another project, why not use it to decorate the inside of drawers, wardrobes or cupboards? It's an ideal way to breathe new life into a tired piece of furniture. Stick to the same shade or choose coordinating colours. We've used **Baked Aubergine** and **Pretty Pink** in **Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood** – pastel tones that add a fresh feel.

* colour mixing – available in selected colour-mixing stores.



Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall; Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood





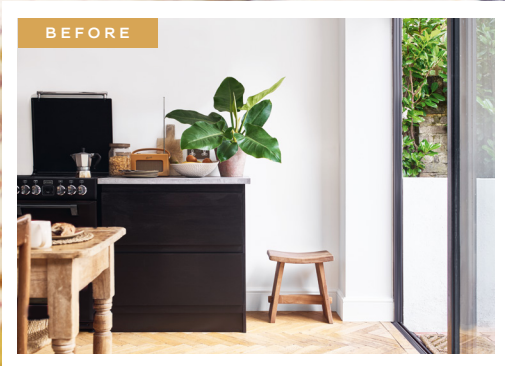
The weekend project

Create a connection between inside and out with colour

Outdoor areas can be overlooked when you're decorating. However, by including them in your plans, you can create a harmonious inside-outside space that works as one, and makes both areas feel more spacious. Carrying a design from an inside wall through to the outside is an easy way to establish a connection, and it couldn't be simpler to achieve. All you'll need is a free weekend and basic tools.



AFTER



- Nutmeg White™
- Caramel Latte™
- Almond White™
- Black

- Sandstone™
- Gardenia

Go beyond the usual plain white kitchen and create a warm, tactile space with earthy colours and natural textures. We've painted a graphic slice of **Caramel Latte Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat** across the interior wall, with **Sandstone Dulux Weathershield All Weather Protection Smooth Masonry Paint** continuing outside to seamlessly unite the two areas. Extra impact comes courtesy of kitchen units and skirting boards finished in rich **Black Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood** – an unconventional choice that's contemporary yet adds a cosy feel when paired with wooden worktops and a matching range cooker. Fresh neutrals are the perfect backdrop, with complementary shades of white, such as **Nutmeg White** and **Almond White**, on the kitchen wall, and **Gardenia** for the garden wall. Finish the look with plenty of natural greenery in the kitchen, increasing the connection with the outdoor space.

Eco Win: If you have leftover paint from this project, why not try painting planters and pots in the same shades for an easy coordinated look? This works well outside too, so don't forget to decorate the exterior.

YOU'LL NEED

- Tape measure and pencil
- String and chalk
- Masking tape
- Scissors
- Stirring stick
- Roller and tray



Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat;
Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood;
Dulux Weathershield All Weather Protection Smooth Masonry Paint



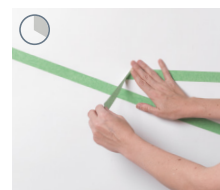
EXPERT KNOW-HOW
Marianne Shillingford
"You can use colour outside just as you would inside. For example, if your garden has grey paving, choosing a matching colour for the masonry will make the area feel instantly more spacious."

With thanks to our partners: Tiles, **Topps Tiles**. Previous page: Range cooker, **Stoves**. Sandstone and Gardenia are Weathershield shades.

PAINT A GRAPHIC SHAPE



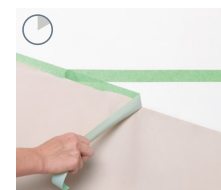
10 minutes
Once you've painted the wall in whites and it's dry, decide on the basic layout of the design and at what height it should begin. Wipe a piece of chalk along the length of your string. Pin it to the wall at one end and select the angle.



20 minutes
Hold the string taut and 'ping' it to leave a line. Using the tape, mask along the line, then repeat for the intersecting lines. Repeat for the other colours.



30 minutes (+ drying)
Stir paint well before pouring into the tray. Paint up to and slightly over the tape line with a roller in **Caramel Latte Simply Refresh One Coat**. Leave to dry.



10 minutes
Carefully remove the masking tape and admire the results.

Micro makeovers

Bring colour into your home with these budget-friendly paint projects

4 hrs

Whether you're decorating a kid's bedroom or a playroom, a mural is the ideal way to inject fun and colour. The great news is that you don't have to be arty – our ocean-inspired design is easy to recreate at home using **Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat** and **Feature Wall** colours. Even better, you'll only need one coat to create a one-off space your little ones will love.



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3 hrs

EASY UPCYCLE
Got some hand-me-down furniture in need of a facelift, or a junk-shop find you'd love to transform? Upcycling is the way to go. Paint will breathe new life into a piece. If you're keen to boost your storage, try upcycling a dresser, shelving or sideboard. Clean, sand down and use a wood primer, then apply two coats of **Black Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood** to the exterior and **Perfectly Taupe** inside. Once dry, add new handles as a finishing touch.

Eco Win: Reinventing a worn or tired piece of furniture is a great way to use leftover paint.



Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood;
Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall

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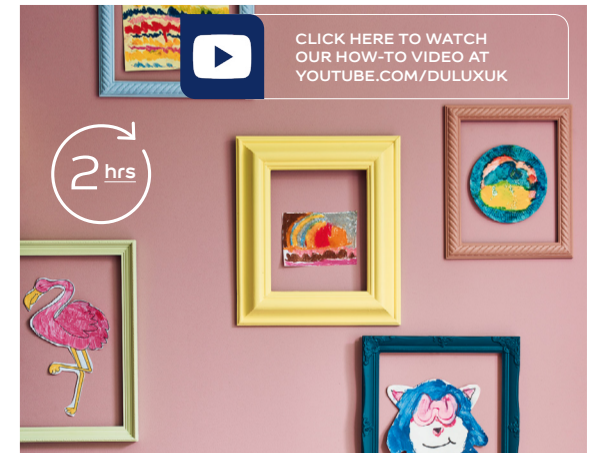
IN THE FRAME

If you don't have enough leftover paint for a large project, try this quick picture frame makeover. Almost any wooden frame will do – just clean, sand and apply a suitable primer before you start to paint. Next, choose your colours – pretty pastels work well. We've picked **Melon Sorbet**, **Copper Blush**, **Lemon Pie**, **Nordic Sky** and **Teal Tension** Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood. Apply two coats, leave to dry, then hang on a colourful wall – ours is in **Pressed Petal Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat** – to showcase works of art or decorations.



Dulux Primer & Undercoat For Wood;
Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood; Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat

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2 hrs

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My colour story

Paint can transform rooms and lives: influencers and communities share how colour has made a difference

OLIVIA MITCHELL



GO GRAPHIC

"When my husband and I moved into our new-build home in Aberdeenshire, all the walls were white. Rather than just picking a colour and painting a wall, we wanted to do something different. We spend most of our time in our living-dining room and in the corner is our Cockapoo Skye's dog bed. Her space looked so dull, so we decided to brighten it up. I found the idea of using geometrics on Pinterest. The colours we chose were inspired by one of the pieces of art we have by Scott Naismith. He paints vivid pictures of the Isle of Skye, which also inspired Skye's name, so it seemed fitting to choose similar bold shades to create this colourful corner. Now she doesn't have to look at a boring wall all day!"



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Golden Sands™

TABARA N'DIAYE



BRING IN THE SUNSHINE

"We moved home last December, just before going into lockdown. So although we were in the house from Christmas until April, we didn't feel fully settled in. All the homeware shops were closed and we couldn't buy new furniture. It became a priority for me to make my house a home. Our bedroom was the first room I wanted to decorate – making it feel cosy, warm and colourful was important. I'm very attracted to colour, it injects so much personality into a space.

"As it was spring, I wanted to paint something that represented sunshine and I loved the idea of creating an arch in this yellow shade. Now my painted headboard is a standout feature of the house. We have so many grey days that it's lovely to have that little piece of sunshine all year round."



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Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall

All you need is one coat to create a striking focal point in a room, such as this sweeping bedroom arch.

My colour story: In the community



Yellow and purple are two of the core colours of the YMCA and were chosen by the young people who use the centre



YMCA DICKERAGE COMMUNITY CENTRE

After supporting local residents for more than 30 years, the YMCA Dickering Sport and Community Centre in Kingston upon Thames needed a revamp. In partnership with VIY (Volunteer It Yourself), an organisation that transforms community buildings across the UK, Dulux helped at-risk young people learn professional decorating skills, and also donated paint as part of the Let's Colour initiative. "We've had many young people helping on the project... and [the centre] is now more multicultural and multi-generational than ever before," says Dan Slocombe, Centre Manager.



GRAMPIAN WAY PLAYGROUND

The mural in this Slough playground is more than bright colours – it's the result of a community coming together. Created by a local artist using paint supplied by Dulux, left over from the TV programme *Changing Rooms*, of which Dulux is an official sponsor, it's a backdrop that celebrates diversity. Local volunteers, as well as employees from Dulux's parent company, AkzoNobel, helped with the project.

It's 18 years since a previous mural was created on the wall, which also used paint donated by Dulux. An untouched piece of the original remains as a tribute to the 2003 project. "We knew that the playground was a lifeline for the community during lockdown and is important to many nearby, so creating a new mural here was the perfect project," says Alison Furness at AkzoNobel.

The mural was created as part of Dulux's Let's Colour initiative, which looks to bring communities together through the power of paint



2020-21: A YEAR OF LET'S COLOUR

£ 41,894 WORTH OF PAINT DONATIONS

4,639 LITRES OF PAINT DONATED TO COMMUNITY CAUSES

245 YOUNG PEOPLE TRAINED IN CONSTRUCTION SKILLS



* Purple Pout and Lemon Zest are Paint Mixing colours



Colour choice made easy

Find your perfect colour match with our simple step-by-step system

Bright Skies™

EXPLORE OUR PAINT

1 Browse the range

Use this handy fold-out chart to see our colour range at a glance and get a feel for your favourites – not only do we have everything you need for your interior walls, but for your exterior masonry, too. If you've already got a favourite colour, take a sample in store – it might be a textile or a treasured keepsake – and we'll colour match and mix a paint especially for you.

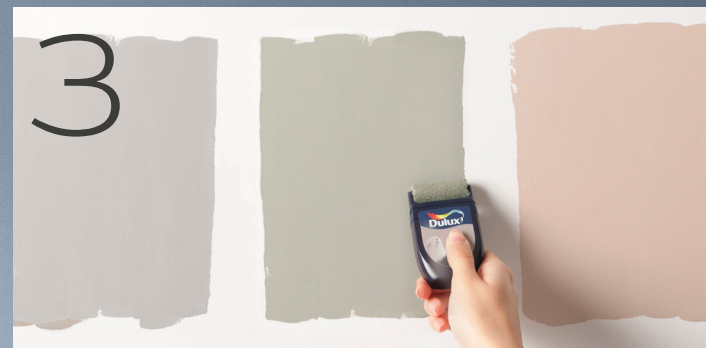


VISUALISE YOUR SHADES



2 Imagine the possibilities

See our colours on your walls with the **Visualizer App**. Simply download for free (from the App Store or Google Play), scan your room with a phone or tablet, and virtually paint the walls with a tap of the screen. It's never been easier to experiment with hues in your home!



TRY BEFORE YOU BUY

See for yourself

Our mess-free, easy-to-apply **Roller Testers** go straight on to your wall without the need for any additional kit. They let you see how your shortlisted shades actually look in your home, so you can choose your final colours with confidence. If you're using our colour match service, ask for a 250ml sample tin, so you can try it out. **You can pick up our Roller Testers in store, or order at dulux.co.uk or through the Visualizer App, and they'll be delivered straight to your door.**



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All your favourite colours at a glance*

Colours for walls & ceilings

Product Key > Dulux Matt & Dulux Silk Emulsion Easycare™ Washable & Tough Easycare™ Bathroom Simply Refresh One Coat Easycare™ Kitchen Light+Space™ Simply Refresh Feature Wall

 Ivory 	 Buttermilk 	 Cookie Dough 	 Soft Truffle™ 	 Heartwood™ 	 Cannon Ball™ 	 Rich Black™ 	 Ink Well™ 	 Indigo Shade™ 	 Teal Tension™ 	 Emerald Glade™
 Natural Wicker™ 	 Orchid White™ 	 Soft Stone™ 	 Malt Chocolate™ 	 Perfectly Taupe™ 	 Urban Obsession™ 	 Deep Fossil™ 	 Sapphire Salute™ 	 Nordic Sky™ 	 Teal Touch™ 	 Proud Peacock™
 Magnolia 	 Natural Calico™ 	 Caramel Latte™ 	 Gentle Fawn™ 	 Pebble Shore™ 	 Natural Slate™ 	 Warm Pewter™ 	 Denim Drift™ 	 Blue Babe™ 	 Marine Splash™ 	 Kiwi Crush™
 Ivory Lace™ 	 Jasmine White™ 	 Natural Hessian™ 	 Nutmeg White™ 	 Egyptian Cotton™ 	 Chic Shadow™ 	 Goose Down™ 	 Stonewashed Blue™ 	 First Dawn™ 	 Mint Macaroon™ 	 Melon Sorbet™
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Bright Skies™

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Colour of the Year 2022



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Colours for wood & metal

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 Chic Shadow™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin	 Goose Down™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin	 Natural Hessian™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin, Once™ Satinwood
 Polished Pebble™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin, Quick Dry Eggshell	 Egyptian Cotton™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin	 Natural Calico™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin, Quick Dry Eggshell, Non-drip Gloss, Once™ Satinwood
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 Jasmine White™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin, Once™ Satinwood	*If you can't find your colour in our Ready Mixed range, you can get any colour mixed at selected stores	
 Mineral Mist™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin	 Willow Tree™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin	 Pretty Pink™ Quick Dry Gloss, Quick Dry Satin

Dulux Weathershield

Exterior walls masonry

Black Smooth Masonry	Muted Gold Smooth Masonry	County Cream™ Smooth & Textured Masonry	Warm Truffle™ Smooth Masonry	Concrete Grey Smooth Masonry
Brick Red Smooth Masonry	Sandstone Smooth & Textured Masonry	Cornish Cream Smooth Masonry	Green Ivy™ Smooth Masonry	Pale Slate™ Smooth Masonry
Toasted Terracotta™ Smooth Masonry	Magnolia Smooth & Textured Masonry	Classic Cream Smooth Masonry	Frosted Lake™ Smooth Masonry	Ashen White™ Smooth Masonry
Buttermilk Smooth Masonry	Gardenia™ Smooth Masonry	Jasmine White™ Smooth Masonry	Pure Brilliant White Smooth & Textured Masonry	

Exterior wood & metal

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Royal Berry™ Gloss	Conker™ Gloss	Buckingham Gloss	Indigo Shade Satin	Chic Shadow Satin
Monarch™ Gloss	Celtic Cream™ Satin	Green Glade™ Satin	Teal Voyage Satin	Pure Brilliant White Gloss & Satin
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Ask Dr Dulux

We're here to help with all your decorating dilemmas



“How can I paint in the most eco-friendly way?”

SUZIE, SOUTH LONDON

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Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, then make good choices with water-based and durable solutions

1 Start by choosing a paint with low VOCs (volatile organic compounds). These evaporate, contributing to the formulation of greenhouse gases. Try the **Dulux Quick Dry** range – it's a water-based, low-VOC paint that is a better alternative to solvent-based paint.

2 Choose long-lasting paint to reduce how often you redecorate. If you live in a busy household, try durable **Dulux**

Easycare Washable & Tough. Only buy as much as you need – use a paint calculator online.

3 Another good idea is to reuse leftover paints for other projects. Why not upcycle a piece of furniture or planters?

4 Recycle what you don't use or pass it to friends, neighbours, or a local group. Community RePaint collects leftover paint from donation points. Find your nearest at communityrepaint.org.uk.

Ask Dr Dulux

“I’d like to add colour to my home but don’t know how to start. Could you offer some advice?”

MAX, ABERYSTWYTH



IDEA #1

GET INSPIRED

Deciding which colours to use can be the hardest part of decorating. One way to choose can be to take inspiration from your own wardrobe. A favourite item of clothing works well as a starting point for a colour scheme, as it'll already be in a shade you feel comfortable in. Combine complementary tones in the same way as you would an outfit, with bolder colours as accents.

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Polished Pebble™

IDEA #2

TRY A FEATURE WALL



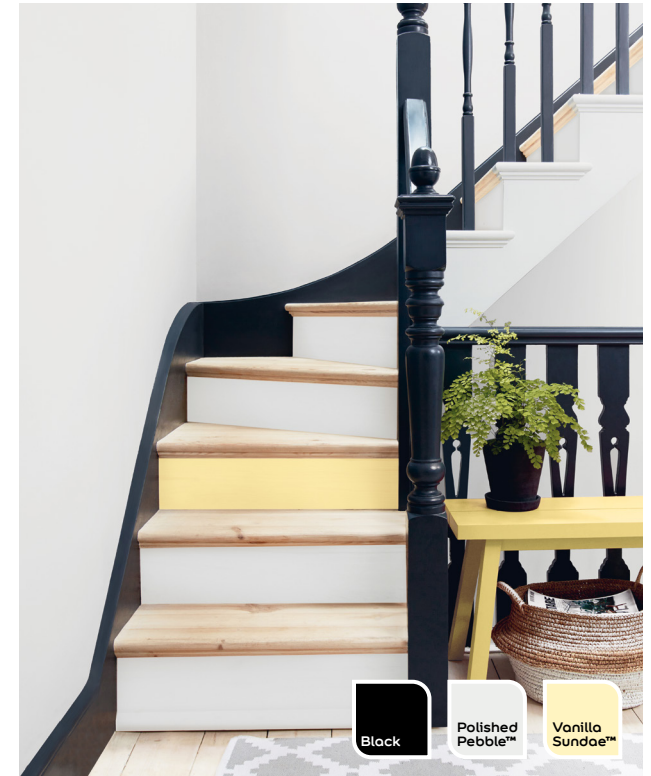
Moving away from neutrals can feel daunting but colour can make a huge difference to your home. If you find mixing and matching a challenge, a good place to start is by choosing a shade for a feature wall for your largest room – whether it's the lounge, dining room or kitchen – and then using that as a starting point for a whole decorative scheme. Layer it up with furniture and larger pieces in the same shade to intensify the colour, or choose a few well-placed accessories as a subtle nod to it.

CHOOSE YOUR HUE

Colourful doesn't have to mean bright or bold, so think about choosing soothing tones for the spaces where you relax and unwind. Powder pinks, sky blues and earthy shades are perfect for creating a focal point without dominating a room, plus they're easy to accessorise with natural materials – think rattan pieces, chunky woven throws, wooden furniture and warm metallics. Try **Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat in Blush Pink**.



Dulux Easycare Washable & Tough; Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood; Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat



Black

Polished Pebble™

Vanilla Sundae™

IDEA #3

PAIR BOLD SHADES WITH NEUTRALS

There are no fixed rules for using colour but if you're new to painting in brighter shades, remember that you don't have to go all in – less can be more. Rather than coating all four walls in a bold hue, use colour for the woodwork, a feature wall, or even just a section of a wall. Using colour sparingly like this is an easy way to highlight features in the room or to define different areas. For example, if you have an archway, try painting it in an eye-catching shade to create an interesting focal point, or use colour to carve out a workspace zone.

Accents can work all around your home, so take a look around and consider adding a splash of colour in unexpected areas. Why not create a cheerful welcome in the hallway by giving your staircase a colour makeover? Just paint some of the uprights in your favourite shade, while keeping the rest in a neutral

tone. The staircase above has risers painted in soothing **Polished Pebble**, with a pop of **Vanilla Sundae*** every third step. Skirting, balusters and a banister painted in **Black** frame the lighter shades and add impact. You can echo the colour in the accessories, such as a painted bench, table or mirror, and in the artwork or statement lighting.

For a more nuanced look, paint each upright of the stairs in a slightly paler tone of the same colour as you go up the stairs, creating a beautiful ombré effect. Shades of blue or green are ideal for this and will give your staircase plenty of wow factor.

Eco Win: Don't throw away old paint tins – upcycle them. Cleaned and decorated, they can be used as planters or pretty storage pots. Alternatively, punch out a pattern of holes, pop in a tealight and use as outdoor lanterns.

* colour mixing – available in selected colour-mixing stores.

Ask Dr Dulux

“I want to brighten up the outside of my house. What paint should I use?”

MARIE, DONCASTER

You asked and we answered – in this issue, we focus on one of your most commonly asked exterior decorating problems



1

ADD WOW TO WALLS

The outside of your home has to withstand rain and shine, so give its masonry some love. **Dulux Weathershield Ultimate Protection Smooth Masonry Paint** is perfect for gorgeous exterior walls, and protects them against severe weather conditions for up to 15 years.

2

DECORATE DOORS

Front doors are the first thing visitors see, so a fresh coat of paint can make a huge difference to your kerb appeal. **Dulux Weathershield Multisurface Quick Dry Satin** is ideal for exterior wood as well as uPVC and metal surfaces, and has a weatherproof film that protects against mould and stains. It's also flexible to prevent the paint from cracking over time.

3

REFRESH YOUR GARDEN

Finished painting your house? Put your leftover **Dulux Weathershield Ultimate Protection Smooth Masonry Paint** to good use and makeover your garden walls too. A coat of paint is the ideal way to take plain brick from drab to fab and it'll offer the same protection against damp and cold conditions.



PROBLEM SOLVED

“I want to update my kitchen. What's the best paint to use?”

KERI, WEYBRIDGE

It's easy to move away from white by painting your kitchen in one of the latest shades

CUPBOARD LOVE

It's easy to refresh tired kitchen cabinets – just use **Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood**, which is available in lots of colours. You'll need to use a suitable primer first so the paint adheres properly – try **Dulux Primer & Undercoat** for wood or **Dulux Difficult Surface Primer** for MDF and melamine doors. Head to our YouTube channel to watch a handy how-to video.

WASH AND GO

Treat your walls to **Dulux Easycare Kitchen**. It contains a greaseproof formula that stops stains soaking in, plus you can wash the walls without the colour fading.



Ask Dr Dulux

“We have a growing family. How can we make the most of our small space?”

ANDREW, ABERDEEN

An understairs area can become a secret nook for play and reading – just add colour and imagination

However compact your home, chances are that there are parts of it that can be transformed into something new. Think cupboards with the potential to be a downstairs WC or a loft that's ripe for conversion. The space below the stairs usually ends up as storage, so instead of leaving it filled with clutter, try turning it into a children's hideaway. All you need to do is paint it with cheery colours and geometric shapes, plus a curtain that keeps the space concealed when playtime is over for the day. Here, we've chosen a fun combination of **Dusted Fondant**, **Banana Split** and **White Cotton** on the walls inside, providing a colourful backdrop that's sure to encourage creativity. Then we added shelving for toys and books, and a comfy daybed for lounging together, finished with festoon lighting to create a nook they can call their own. What are you waiting for? It's playtime!



A colourful backdrop and geometric shapes are sure to encourage creativity

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EXPERT
KNOW-HOW
Matt Gray

"Efficient roller technique is key to achieving the best results when painting, whether the shade is light or dark. Apply your paint roller in a W shape on the wall. Go over the W with an M shape to fill in the gaps, then reload your roller and move onto the next section in the same way."

"How can I create a peaceful, spa-like bathroom?"

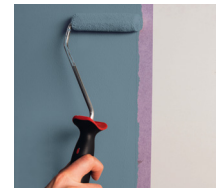
SALIMA, SHEFFIELD

We all need a place to relax at the end of a long day and for many of us, it's the bathroom. A soak in the tub or a therapeutic shower restores our calm. However, no one wants to stare at walls that have seen better days. A lick of paint is just the thing to bring your bathroom back to life. **Dulux EasyCare Bathroom** paint is ideal – it's durable and resists moisture, steam and mould for up to five years. Choose a calming natural shade, or a fresh blue tone, such as **Mineral Mist** or **Marine Splash**. Next, add some handy storage painted in coordinating shades to keep surfaces free from clutter. Finally, finish your space with plenty of lush greenery – perfect for hanging or an empty corner.



Dulux EasyCare Bathroom; Dulux Quick Dry Satinwood

STYLE YOUR SPA



Choose a soothing neutral colour

Before you start painting, clean the walls and mask any fixtures. Use a roller for the main area and cut in around the edges with a paintbrush. Leave to dry.



Add a decorative splashback

Add colour and pattern with a painted panel. It's easy to create your own with a stencil, just repeat the pattern. Watch our how-to video on YouTube to see how it's done.



Banish the clutter

For a spa-style space, try to keep clutter to a minimum. Hide accessories away in a vanity unit or add a hanging rail.



Bring in the greenery

Add plenty of plants for an exotic vibe. Greenery that loves humidity is best, so think Monstera, bamboo, palms or aloe. Peace at last!

Stonewashed Blue™

Mineral Mist™

Natural Slate™

Goose Down™



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Willow Tree™

“How can I work out if a colour is right for a room?”

MICHELLE, HYTHE



Step away from the magnolia! Roller your paint on with confidence thanks to these practical tips

DO use roller testers – and plenty of them. Rather than paint the colour directly on the wall, paint pieces of A4 card or lining paper, and use the advised amount of coats (usually two). This will allow you to move them around the room, so you can see what each colour looks like on every wall. Put the painted cards next to artwork, behind furniture or above floors so you can see how the colour looks.

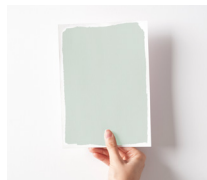
DON'T make hurried decisions. Try viewing the painted cards from adjoining rooms, at different times of the day with different light sources, and mix and match them until the right combinations appear.

DO consider natural light. For example, a north-facing room tends to have cooler natural light, so warmer shades often look better – think colours with pink, gold

and yellow tones rather than those with blueish undertones. East-facing rooms are bright early on but become cooler as the day progresses, so opt for blues and greens to balance out the morning light.

DON'T forget about formulation. It's important that your newly painted walls will stay looking good for years to come as well as be the right colour. **Dulux EasyCare** is perfect for busy homes and high-traffic areas, such as hallways, lounges and dining rooms.

DO download the Dulux Visualizer App. Use it to take a photo of your room, which can then be virtually 'painted' in a huge choice of colours. Not only does it allow you to be as adventurous as you like with colour combinations, you might also discover the perfect mix, or a shade you might not have previously considered.



Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat

Call the professionals

Wondering what to ask the pros before they decorate your home? We've got you covered

1

IN TRUSTED HANDS

It's a big undertaking to have work carried out in your home, so knowing your tradespeople come recommended can offer real peace of mind. By choosing a professional from the **Dulux Select Decorators** scheme, you can relax knowing that they have been rigorously assessed for quality workmanship and superior industry knowledge.

2

BEFORE WORK BEGINS

Ask your professional about what safety precautions they routinely take and the equipment they use, to ensure both you and they are safe. These might include a risk assessment ahead of work starting, avoiding unnecessary visits to your property, maintaining a safe distance and, where necessary, wearing PPE while they're in your home. It's best to agree a plan before the job starts for peace of mind all round.

3

PAINT PERFECTION

Talk to your decorator ahead of time about what type of paint you'll need for the job, and the different finish options available. As the name suggests, matt paint is smooth and velvety, helping to hide imperfections, while satin and silk offer mid-sheen finishes that reflect a bit of light. Eggshell sits somewhere between matt and silk, while gloss offers a high-shine finish. Ask your decorator which they'd recommend for your job, and why.



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Paint picker

Choose the right paint with our product guide



With more than 30 years' DIY and decorating experience under his belt, what Skills Development

Consultant and resident paint pro Matt Gray doesn't know about paint isn't really worth knowing.

"Using the right type of paint is essential if you want a finish that will look good and really last," says Matt. "There are a number of specialist products to help you make the most of your efforts, so use this handy guide to suss out which you need and you'll be well on your way to painting perfection."

NEW PRODUCTS

Rejuvenating your home has never been easier thanks to our new Simply Refresh paint: two ranges specially designed to achieve incredible results in one easy coat. See terms and conditions information on p44.



ONE COAT WONDER Dulux Simply Refresh One Coat

Refresh your paintwork in one easy coat thanks to this extra-thick, hassle-free formula.



FOR FEATURE WALLS Dulux Simply Refresh Feature Wall

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KNOW YOUR ZONES

WHICH PAINTS GO WHERE?



**FOR DARK AREAS
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FOR BATHROOMS Dulux Easycare Bathroom

This tough paint is steam- and moisture-resistant to stay looking good for longer.



FOR BUSY LIVING SPACES Dulux Easycare

A washable and stain-repellent paint that takes the stress out of spills. Great for kids' bedrooms, too.



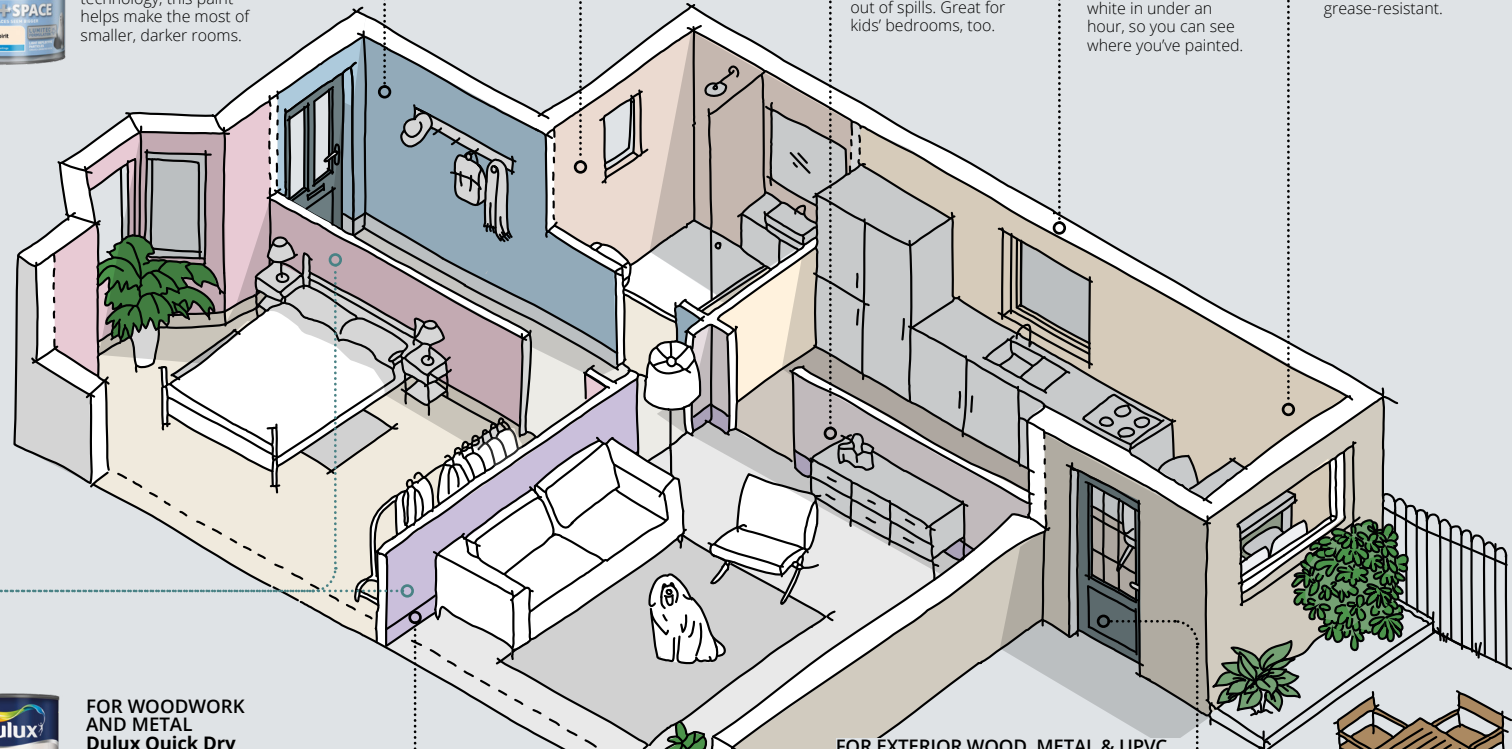
FOR CEILINGS Dulux Magic White

Never miss a spot again with paint that fades from pink to white in under an hour, so you can see where you've painted.



FOR KITCHENS Dulux Easycare Kitchen

A hard-wearing, washable matt paint that's also grease-resistant.



FOR WOODWORK AND METAL Dulux Quick Dry

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The ultimate toolkit

Choose your tools correctly first time around and you can reuse them again and again

THE BASICS

Don't spend a fortune on lots of tools. Instead, invest in the essentials upfront, and buy additional items as and when you need them



Synthetic-bristle brushes

Versatile, long-lasting and well suited to the application of water-based paints, a collection of different-sized synthetic-bristle brushes will see you through most decorating projects.



Roller and tray

For large surface areas, a roller is recommended as it applies paint faster and with a more even finish. A medium-pile roller should do the trick for both ceilings and walls.



EXPERT KNOW-HOW Matt Gray

"Keep the door to the room you're working in firmly shut, so kids and pets stay safely out of the way. Ensure ventilation is good before you begin, to reduce the smell and help fresh paint dry. Wear safety glasses to shield your eyes from any spray from the roller. Finally, decorate in decent natural light and avoid the temptation to rush. Good work takes time – and the results are worth it."

THE PREP SET

Spend that little bit of extra time on prep before you begin painting – it will make the rest of the decorating process much less painful!



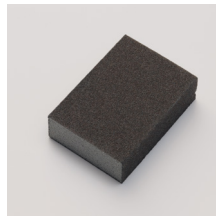
Dust sheets

Protect floors and furniture by covering exposed surfaces by using a filling knife to apply the right filler to damaged areas. Be sure you swap to a more flexible filler (decorators' caulk) where walls meet woodwork.



Filling knife

Buy different grades of sandpaper to make prep smoother. Look out for flexible blocks as these can be used on a variety of surfaces, such as doors and skirting.



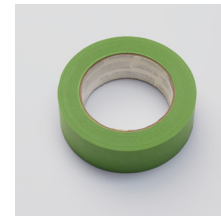
Sandpaper and sanding blocks

Have dusting cloths and a brush to hand as they're useful for getting rid of dust and wiping down surfaces before painting, especially if you've sanded beforehand.



Dusting cloths and brush

Invest in masking tape to protect surfaces you don't want to get paint on. Good-quality tapes also reduce the risk of paint seeping underneath and give visibly sharper, cleaner lines.



Masking tape

A good one to keep in your toolkit, this thin low-adhesion tape is ideal for masking off everything from wallpaper to freshly painted surfaces that haven't cured yet, leaving a crisp painted line behind.

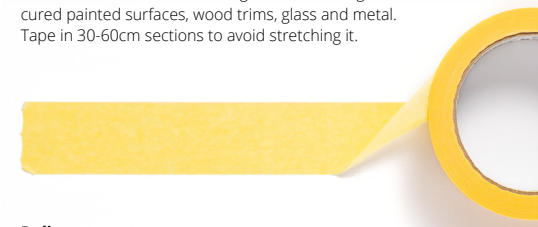
Get the edge

Wondering which masking tape to use for which job? Here's our handy guide



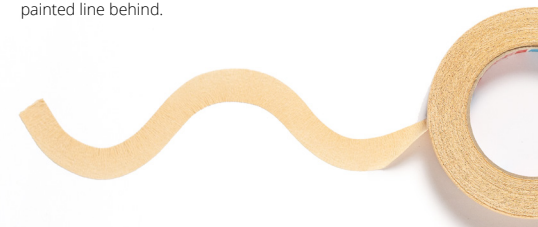
Standard

Turn to this general, all-purpose tape when you're creating sharp lines and graphic shapes on a wall. Its medium adhesion makes it great for masking cured painted surfaces, wood trims, glass and metal. Tape in 30-60cm sections to avoid stretching it.



Delicate

This tape is the one to turn to if you're masking off curvy shapes, such as circles, arches and waves. It's stretchy and flexible, making it easy to follow undulating lines, and has medium adhesion, so it stays put while you're creating your masterpiece.



For curves

When applying tape, use short strips so they won't get tangled, and overlap the edges. Then seal the edges by running your fingers back and forth over them.

Extra note

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THE PAINT PICKS

Add to your decorating arsenal as you work on different projects around the house – building your toolkit as you go means you don't end up buying unnecessary items



Stirring stick

Being able to reach all areas in the room safely is crucial, so make sure you use a good-quality stepladder that's tall enough for the job.



Stepladder

Painting large surface areas and hard-to-reach places can be made easier by attaching your roller to the end of an extension pole.



Extension pole

Like brushes, rollers come in all different sizes, so there shouldn't be any surface area you can't paint.



Additional rollers

Clean brushes with this dedicated comb. Used at an angle to remove excess paint from bristles, it makes cleaning easier and quicker.



Brush comb

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The edit

Turn your living room into a soothing space with inspiration from nature

Creating a place to relax and unwind at home has never been more important. The trend for natural textures and motifs is perfect for transforming your living room into a welcome retreat from the everyday. Start by choosing a fresh yet soothing shade of green for your walls. We've used **Overtly Olive Simply Refresh One Coat**

– it only needs one application, so you can make your room over easily and quickly. Next, bring in leafy or floral patterns as accent pieces – cushions, prints, or a rug are ideal – and a statement piece of furniture in a deeper tone. Finally, include plenty of plants – on a shelf or mantelpiece, in a corner or around a hearth.



MAIN IMAGE, RIGHT
Slipper Accent Chair in Forest velvet, £279, DFS; Hiba console, £115, La Redoute; Blooming Peony cushion, £45, Mint & May; Aurora lamp, £153, Pooky; Rug, £129, Dunelm; Glass bubble vase, £38, Urban Outfitters; Birdy table, £58, Urban Outfitters; Iro Leaf framed art, £65, Oliver Bonas; Watering can, £12, Habitat; Calina glass vase, £25, Oliver Bonas; Prints and frames, from £12.95, Poster Store



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