

The background features a top-down view of a white surface. In the top left, there are several circular paint samples in various shades of beige and cream. In the bottom right, a light-colored ceramic bowl sits on a piece of cream-colored lace fabric. A white ceramic vase with dried, light-colored branches is partially visible on the right side. The overall aesthetic is clean, minimalist, and warm.

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# Paint Colours For Your Home

Everything You Need To Know

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# PAINT COLOUR FINISHES

The 3 areas you only need to care about

**Walls**

**Matt**

**Kitchen/Bathroom**

**Eggshell**

**Woodwork**

**Semi-Gloss or  
Eggshell**

**Wood Trim**

**Eggshell or gloss**

# CHOOSING A COLOUR

Always choose colour from the light that you see it in, be sure to look at it in the morning, the afternoon and the evening to see how the colour changes.

Before making your choice, ask yourself what you want the space to do and how you want it to feel or look, should it be light and airy or dark and cocooning?

## STEP 1

Choose the main body colour.

## STEP 2

Select the trim and accents to complement the main body colour.

## STEP 3

Paint large 2ft x 2ft squares at eye level, on lining paper preferably. I do a couple of these and place them in different areas of the room to see how the light affects the colour.

# WAYS TO CHOOSE COLOUR

## Small Rooms

Consider painting the skirting a darker colour than the walls, this pushes the walls out and creates the illusion of space.

OR

Trying painting the skirting the same colour as the walls, this blurs the confines of the room as to where the wall starts and finishes, creating height.

## Odd Shaped Rooms

For sloped ceilings, built-ins or anything you want to conceal or avoid drawing the eye to (i.e. radiators) paint them the same colour as the walls.

## Coving & Ceiling

To create height, choose a colour for the coving that complements the wall colour (not bright white). You don't want to create a post card effect, but rather blur the lines to elongate walls, drawing your eye upwards. The ceiling should be the lightest colour within that colour range.



I hope you found these  
painting tips useful and feel  
inspired to make a start on  
your next home project!

HAPPY DECORATING!