

child's play

Decorating a child's playroom can be a load of fun, a well thought out space will foster imagination and offer your child a sense of invention and discovery





THE RESENE COLOUR PALETTE

We chose a classroom theme for our version of a child's play gallery. We used Resene Foundry for our statement wall, a deep smoky grey with a touch of blue – perfect in a playroom and chosen for its “blackboard” appeal. This colour serves as a great backdrop for wall art and children's paintings and drawings, and is also great as a feature behind contemporary and/or wood furniture.

The opposing walls, floors, and skirting were painted with Resene Half Concrete – a soft, modern take on institutional styling which creates a simple background for the bright colours of children's furniture and toys. For those wanting slightly more depth in colour, we recommend Resene Coastal Blue, a soft, uncomplicated colour which can be used to paint out accessory furniture or main walls.

- Resene Coastal Blue
- Resene Foundry
- Resene Half Concrete
- Resene Ceiling White



Play is a child's means of learning. Through play, children develop essential sensory motor skills that facilitate success both in the playground and at school. Therefore, access to space that children can move about and have free rein on their toys is vital. If you are lucky enough to dedicate a space within your home as a playroom, be sure to choose an area that means you don't have to frequently leave your activity to check on your little ones. Furthermore, the area chosen for your child's play space needs to provide a decent amount of floor area for the spread of games, as well as room to jump, run, and move.

Furnishing and decorating a playroom can be a load of fun, especially with the evolution in age-appropriate toys and homewares. Also, mixing contemporary design pieces with industrial-type surfaces such as plywood, stainless steel, or laminate creates hardwearing exteriors which also serve to enhance the bright primary colours of children's play things.

Table, chairs, blackboard, and retro toys and pictures stylist's own. H&O 12-Hole Cubby in white \$249 by Warehouse Stationary. Le Toy Van Fire Engine \$99, large lettering from \$16.90 and small lettering from \$5.50, all from Smith and Caughey's. Gorgi Wool Blend Cot Quilt in Scarlet or Navy Alfred Stripe \$110, Gorgi Baby 100% Merino Blankets and Baby Shawls from \$90, Gorgi Bundle Cot Blanket in Scarlet \$99, Gorgi Set of Three Plywood Bunnies \$55, Gorgi Madder Red Scarlet Ticking Stripe Cot Duvet Cover \$120; Gorgi Fire Engine Scatter Cushion \$70, Gorgi Floor Large Cushions in Madder Red Ticking Stripe and Turquoise Stripe with Linen Backing POA, all from Gorgi www.gorgi.co.nz.



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