



Design: Nestor Santa-Cruz
Paint: White Dove, Benjamin Moore



...or Try a Colorful Neutral!



"I love Portola's Birdie in the Roman Clay finish, which adds movement and depth."
—Francesca Grace



"Farrow & Ball Drop Cloth plays very well with other colors and patterns."
—Kirsten Blazek



"Farrow & Ball Setting Plaster works beautifully with old wood furniture."
—CeCe Barfield Thompson



"Benjamin Moore Classic Gray creates a sense of tranquility."
—Alice Arterberry

How to Choose a White Paint

FOR DARK ROOMS

With their barely-blue undertones, cool shades make rooms feel airy and spacious. "They're perfect for bathrooms and larger spaces, especially when there's a lack of natural light," says Molly Torres, owner of DATE Interiors.

FOR GALLERY WALLS

Medium tints are great "when you want a bright but still warm look," says designer Lauren Waters. These shades are ideal for showcasing art, since they don't influence how the eye perceives the piece.

FOR COZY NOOKS

"Warmer tones lend themselves to cozier spaces like offices or dens," Torres explains. Another pro tip: "If the floors are a warm color, then I go toward a creamier white," shares Linda Hayslett, founder of LH.Designs.

Design: M. Lavender Interiors
Paint: Black Forest Green, Benjamin Moore



Make a Small Room Feel Huge

Dark colors are enveloping and limitless. "Use the same color on the trim, walls, and ceiling," Torres advises. It's striking and moody, particularly in compact spaces.