

ADD IMPACT WITH DYNAMIC COLOUR

SEIZE THE MOMENT AND MAKE A STRIKING CHANGE TO YOUR SPACE – BOLD OR SOOTHING, B&Q HAS EVERYTHING TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

CHOOSE COLOUR BLOCKING and take colour scheming to a whole new level. Whether you're looking for ways to liven up a lacklustre room or make a statement in a smaller area, colour blocking is easy to carry off and will add instant impact to any space.

It's all about enlivening surfaces with contrasting tones, whether bold colours, subtle neutrals or calm, soothing shades. And you can colour block pretty much any surface you like, from walls and ceilings to furniture and floors.

USE PAINT CREATIVELY

Painting a single block of colour in a key area is a clever technique for breaking up large open-plan spaces and creating smaller, cosier zones within. Start with a neutral background colour and then add a feature panel in a rich, velvety tone. Find your perfect colour combination with B&Q's wall and ceiling paint; from dark and dusky tones to cool, calm pastels, there are hundreds of different colours, so you're guaranteed a perfect match.

“COLOUR BLOCKING IS ALL ABOUT HAVING FUN, SO PICK A CHEERFUL COLOUR AND ADD A PUNCH”



Pair a deep shade on walls with a calming shade on floors – try GoodHome Gawler ash effect laminate, £115q m.

BRIGHT IDEA
Extend your wall colour to the ceiling and over the table, and hang the adjustable Pegmati chrome-effect pendant for a statement look.



EASY UPDATE
Add greenery to create a calming, tranquil mood. Choose planters, floor-standing tubs and hanging foliage for visual interest.

2 RELAX WITH SOOTHING TONES

Colour blocking isn't just about using bolds and brights. Calming colours and soft neutrals can create just as much impact when used in a creative combination. Bring on-trend green into a scheme by painting feature panels in tonal shades, from lush leafy green to soft sage or cool mint. Team with botanical wallpaper, occasional furniture and flooring in tactile neutrals – B&Q's latest tile collection includes pretty patterns and simple plains, ranging from blush pink to dusky green.

3 OF THE BEST

B&Q IS THE PLACE FOR TILES



GEO LOOKS
Manhattan grey matt Moroccan ceramic wall tile, £135q m

LINE 'EM UP
Vernisse pink gloss ceramic wall tile, £245q m

SOFTLY DOES IT
Antova white ceramic mosaic tile sheet, £10.58

3 GET COLOUR HAPPY

Express your personality with a playful colour mix. Go for an on-trend abstract vibe by painting walls in large blocks of clashing colour – furniture and lighting will really pop. Whether you're inspired by a piece of furniture, a record sleeve or a favourite outfit, B&Q's in-store colour-matching service, provided by Valspar*, will come up with the perfectly matched paint for your ideal scheme.

Chevron textured cushion, £16



CLEVER TRICK
Create personal artwork to pop up on a wall by painting a couple of plain canvases in bright, primary colours – they're easy to move around if you fancy a change later on.



4 ZONE IN ON A WORKSPACE

Don't have room for a separate home office? Make a quiet corner your own, by painting walls and floor in a cheery, upbeat colour. Take paint to midway up a wall and roughly the width and depth of your desk and chair to frame the work area.

QUICK TIP
Factor task lighting into your workspace – B&Q's Yarra plug-in white wall light has an extendable arm to focus light exactly where it's needed

“I'VE DONE IT”

See how the lovely and talented @Miafelce has used colour blocking in her Victorian terraced home.



“Working as a Changemaker for B&Q, I created two new areas in

our conservatory. I did this by zoning with colour, which was really easy to do. It's improved how we use the space and I'm so happy with how it looks!”

Use the QR code here to see Mia's stylish colour blocking project.



HOME OFFICE BUYS

KIT OUT YOUR WORKSPACE IN STYLE



SEATED RIGHT
Tivissa cushioned desk chair, £40

WOOD WORKS
Seponi foldaway desk, £68

LIGHT DIRECTION
GoodHome Yarra table lamp, £30, B&Q

*WE ARE UNABLE TO SCAN ANYTHING THAT'S TOO SHINY, DOESN'T PROVIDE A SOLID ENOUGH COLOUR TO MATCH OR IS SMALLER THAN 1 INCH SQ.

MAKE A START, MAKE A CHANGE

WHETHER IT'S AN EASY UPDATE OR A FULL-SCALE PROJECT, WHATEVER CHANGES YOU HAVE PLANNED, B&Q HAS EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

AFTER A YEAR OF SO MUCH uncertainty, change is in the air. Spending a lot of time at home, staring at the same four walls, has got us looking at our homes afresh, writing lists and making plans. Whether it's buying new cushions as a pick-me-up, painting a room a bold new shade or knocking down walls for a major refurb, the hardest part of change is starting.

With any project, big or small, choosing the right products for the job is the first step, and at B&Q

you can make those key choices with confidence from its wide range of paints, flooring, tiles, wallpaper, lighting and more; it really is the one-stop shop for everything. And if you need a little help choosing, B&Q is on hand with advice and guidance. Its paint colour matching service, provided by Valspar, and flooring and wallpaper calculators are super handy. So start today and be a Changemaker with B&Q.



“A NAIL IS NEVER JUST A NAIL, IT'S THE START OF SOMETHING FAR BIGGER”

FEATURE LISA FAZZANI

GIVE PANELLING A MODERN TWIST

TRY A NEW WAY WITH A CLASSIC WALL TREATMENT - B&Q HAS IT ALL - TOOLS, TIMBER, PAINT AND FINISHING TOUCHES

BRING TIMELESS STYLE AND character to any space with timber wall panelling. An easy way to add decorative detail to a plain room, panelling is also great for covering up uneven walls and unsightly pipework or providing some extra

insulation in chilly spaces. But while it's a much-loved classic, this year sees panelling given a fresh new look, with clever ways to use it, bold colour treatments and easy-to-install options that any DIYer can tackle at home.



NEAT TIP
Finish panelling neatly with a shelf, perfect for displaying trinkets and artwork

SET THE SCENE

Give a featureless room a facelift by adding a wall of timber panelling. Brilliant for new builds or rooms that are lacking in architectural details, a single feature wall painted a soft, soothing shade will create a relaxed, modern backdrop for furniture and furnishings.

GoodHome Durable Kilkenny matt emulsion paint, £16, 2.5L

CHOOSE YOUR STYLE

A practical finish for family spaces, panelling protects walls from wear and tear, with just an occasional lick of paint for upkeep. From traditional grid-style, vertical panelling or country-look tongue-and-groove, there's a style for every setting. If you need lengths cut, B&Q has a handy timber cutting service.



Wall-panel wallpaper, £20 per roll

EASY DOES IT

For a less-tricky alternative to genuine wooden wall panelling, go for panel-effect wallpaper, instead. It's a convincing and stylish option - B&Q has a fantastic selection in a range of colours.



GOOD IDEA
Partner cool tones with natural accents - from cork and wood to plants and greenery

WORK IN SOME WOOD

Wood-toned flooring is the perfect choice to complement panelling, with its warm tones that will work in any scheme. Create calm in a busy zone with pale oak planks in a soft-shen finish or go traditional in a hallway with classic herringbone. From solid timber and engineered wood to practical laminate, B&Q has a flooring that's a natural fit.

ACCENT ACCESSORIES

WOW WITH GLAM STATEMENT PIECES



PERFECT PAIR
Ocio marble-effect side tables, set of two, £48

LUXE DETAIL
GoodHome Toroba brushed black gold-effect table light, £35

PLUSH TOUCH
Teal Zorita chair, £98

TRY IT YOURSELF

Once you've decided on a treatment and finish, tackling your panelling project is the next step. Take a hands-on approach and clad walls yourself if you're a competent DIYer - you'll need to fix a framework of wooden battens on to the wall, then simply pin or glue either timber or mdf panelling on top.

“I'VE DONE IT”

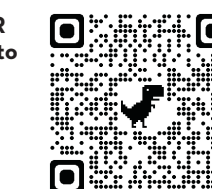
See how the fabulous Sarah from @peas-in-my-pod completed a panelling project in her own home.



“I revamped my boring hallway by adding midheight

panelling on the walls and painting the floor. I worked as a B&Q Changemaker to bring it all together, and I'm so pleased with how it turned out; it was really simple to do myself.”

Use the QR code here to see Sarah's wall panelling project.



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Shop everything you need - from paints, wallpaper, and flooring to lighting, accessories, tools and more - in store at your local branch and online at diy.com

