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Make a cosy home for forest friends with this whimsical woodland scheme in teal, punchy yellow and palest lilac

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PAINT COLOURS Wall, drawers, cabinet legs: Resene Lustacryl in Resene 'Dreamtime'. Shelf, lamp: Resene Lustacryl in Resene 'Fast Forward'. Floor: Resene Walk-on in Resene 'Fast Forward', then Resene Concrete Wax for extra protection.

Door, larger crate: Resene Lustacryl in Resene 'Hive'. Cabinet frame, mini crate: Resene 'Sorbet'. Wall knobs: Resene 'Fast Forward', Resene 'Sorbet', Resene 'Dreamtime' and Resene 'Hive'. Coat hangers: Resene 'Fast Forward' and Resene 'Sorbet'.

CREDITS Woodland quilt set, from \$29, animal canvases, \$12 for 3, yellow linen-look cushion, \$12, larger crate, \$xx, mini plant pot (used as pencil pot), \$4, pencils, \$5, kids' wooden hangers, \$3 for 4, from The Warehouse. Home Republic pillowcase, \$109 for 2, Shelly chair, \$30.99, Home Republic euro pillowcase in peacock blue, \$79.99, velvet garland, \$44.99, from Adairs.

Mini crate, \$6, chunky knit throw, \$25, from Kmart. Meri Meri deer, \$125, Muskhane felt mushrooms, \$11-\$28, Donsje Britta deer purse, \$68, Muskhane round cushion, \$68, from Tea Pea. Wall basket, \$60, from Little Whimsy. Puffer backpack, \$29.99, lggy dress-up dress, \$34.99, Tibi glitter rainbow stripe sneakers, \$39.99, from Cotton On Kids. Other items stylist's own.

his woodland-inspired bedroom packs a playful punch. The cute, critter-covered quilt was the starting point for the scheme and inspired our slightly unorthodox combination of teal, yellow and soft lilac. Making this palette work is all about getting the balance right.

A vivid hue is best for an accent. Make sure it appears about three times, ideally at different heights – we've featured the vibrant Resene 'Hive' on the door, crate, cushion and pencil pot.

Resene 'Fast Forward' is a great choice for the floor as the dark blue-green grounds the room and won't show every mark. As teal is the base colour in the quilt and on the floor, we painted a couple of smaller elements in the same shade for balance (the shelf and bedside light).

The pale lilac Resene 'Dreamtime' is the perfect backdrop colour for all our whimsical accessories. Remember to bring the colour on the walls back into the space, as we have done here with the chunky throw, pillowcase and bedside cabinet.

WALL HOOKS

If space and storage is tight, consider using the walls to hang items on. Painting some hooks or knobs using Resene testpots in colours that tie in with your scheme is an excellent practical option. We used the same testpots to paint a few wooden coat hangers, too.



