



the doors in your home

Bring style and class to interior rooms by adding colorful paint to your doors.

Some colorful advice

Before you choose a color, decide what you want the door's aesthetic function to be. Do you want the door to be the main event, or do you want it to enhance other components of the room?

Use colors that convey the tone you hope to create for the room. If you're looking for something uplifting, go with bright colors like greens, teals, yellows or pastels. If you aspire to a more sophisticated style, use black, navy, or a rich brown.

Rolling out the new look

Once you have a color picked out, there are two ways to paint:

- leave the door on its hinges; or
- remove it and lay it down flat on a pair of sawhorses.

Leaving the door up saves time, effort and allows you to keep your project solo. Removing the door first increases your chances of getting an even paint job without dripping, but you will probably require additional help.

Additional tips

- Experiment with paint swatches to see which contrasts you love.
- Use a color that matches other pieces in the room identically or complement them with different shades of the same color.
- Use quality paint. You won't need a lot of it and your door will look like it was done by a pro.
- Apply at least two coats of paint to guarantee even, flawless coverage.
- Start by testing only a small portion of the door. If the color's not working out, you won't have much correction to do.