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◁ **HIGH CONTRAST** This lively interplay of Crown, crownpaints.co.uk, paint shades pits a moody midnight blue against a bright viridian green with striking results. When colour blocking in tall hallways, consider running a narrow line of contrasting colour – in this case a warm golden yellow – along the walls to emphasise the ceiling height and provide further interest.

**EXPERT VIEW
DECORATING
WITH GREEN**



SUZY HOODLESS, founder, [Suzy Hoodless, suzyhoodless.com](http://SuzyHoodless.com).

- As a general rule of thumb, be as bold on your walls and furniture as you would be with your wardrobe. There are no rules on where to use green in a scheme but I love to introduce it as an accent in a room, hanging acid-green curtains in a contemporary bedroom for example, or choosing a rich blue-green velvet fabric for a traditional sofa.
- Green has a very wide spectrum – it's all about choosing the right shade and tone. Sage green, for example, works well in a traditional bathroom – try it on tongue-and-groove panelling paired with a pretty floral wallpaper. I'm currently using Little Greene's Livid in a kitchen – contrary to what the name suggests, it's a deep, rich tone that sits well against greys and whites. In the past I've used mint green on woodwork for a classic hallway. There is no room where green doesn't work.
- One fallacy is about mixing blue and green – they can be seen together and I have paired these shades with great success in past projects.
- You don't have to feature green as a solid block of colour. There has been a resurgence of using plants indoors, a trend I've embraced. A profusion of foliage looks glorious paired with rich timbers, such as teak and rosewood. Another route is to bring in elements of green on a natural theme via pretty printed textiles – Christopher Farr Cloth has some lovely botanical designs.

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△ **STYLISH SLUMBER**

Introduce accents of colour with bedding and upholstery. In this scheme by Rose Uniacke, roseuniacke.com, the elegant four-poster bed is dressed in a rich, fern-green Khumbu blanket from her collection, while the Fortuny headboard fabric, fortuny.com, adds another hit of colour and pattern.

▽ **MAKE A SCENE**

Deep teal is a strong, versatile and warm shade that never overwhelms a space, so it makes a great backdrop for displays in a contemporary sitting room or bedroom. This decorative collection of vases and votives, with the Seventies-inspired table lamp, are beautifully accentuated against the deep green hue.



“**I use vibrant green piping– such as a sharp lime – to lighten the mood in an otherwise fairly restrained scheme. Little touches like this don't overpower but show attention to detail and a sense of humour – the same rule applies to elements like fringes and backs of cushions.**”

HENRIETTE VON STOCKHAUSEN, co-founder, [VSP Interiors, vspinteriors.com](http://VSPinteriors.com).



▽ **FESTIVE FRONDS** Bring the outdoors in at Christmas time with an elegant entrance display of winter greenery, silver stars and ribbon ties. Take a cue from the existing scheme – here, the green spruce wallpaper, silver chest of drawers and marbled grey rug – and build on them.