

# Painting is easy...right?

You've heard the importance of paint to a space. It can instantly create a clean and modern vibe with minimal effort. Then why is chooing the right color such a challenge?

It all comes down to the undertones. The reason why some of the most perfect white shades can look creamy. And why the grey paint on your friends wall make look purple in your space.

After flipping houses for 15 years and sampling hundreds of paint colors, I've landed on a few that deliver time and time again.

SO use this guide to start with your own selections. Trust me, it's must easier to work with a narrowed down list than to search Pinterest or Instagram.

Next to each color there is a key to show where I've used the colors (I=interior, E=exterior, A=accent). Follow the steps I use to make sure the colors work for each individual space and take comfort in knowing you've just saved yourself time and energy searching. So get ready to confidently paint away.

Write a brief description of what the next task is, or what you want your student to write in the box below.



SW Dorian Grey (A)
SW Earl Grey (A)
BM Horizon (I)
BM Moonlight (I)
BM White Wisp (I)
BM Paperwhite (I)

## WHITES

BM Intense White (I) SW Shoji White (I) BM Oxford White (E) BM Drift of Mist (I,E) SW Repose Gray (E) SW Eider White (I)

#### **ACCENT + BOLD COLORS**

SW Knockout Orange (A)
Behr Shades On (I)
SW Pewter Green (A)
SW Artichoke (A)

Behr Hummingbird Green (A)
Behr Blue Metal (E)
Behr Umbrella Red (A)
Behr Yellow Sundress (A)

#### DARK COLORS + BLACKS

BM Blue Note (A)
BM Midnight Blue (A)
BM Soot (A,I,E)
SW Tricorn Black (A)
BM Black Magic (A)
BM Black Jack (A,E)

BM Black Beauty (A) SW Rock Bottom (A,E) BM French Beret (E) BM Iron Ore (A)

#### HOW I TEST PAINT COLORS BEFORE CHOOSING

When working with new paint colors I always test first. Here's my steps to making the right choice the first time.



#### MAKE A LIST OF POTENTIAL COLORS

To make mixing samples easy I like to make a list before I leave home. I include the manufacturer, name and number when available.

#### **GET SAMPLES FROM THE STORE**

Bring you list to the store and have samples of your colors mixed to try out. Don't forget the sample pack of disposable brushes.



#### **PAINT SWATCHES**

Take each sample and paint a 12x12 section to easily compare colors. Make sure to check color at different times of the day (sun/shade/night) for best results.



#### **CHOOSE PAINT AND FINISH**

Once you've got the color chosen make sure to also specify the type of finish you want. Flat, semi-gloss or satin are options depending upon the room and wear.



#### PREP FOR FUTURE TOUCH UPS

Store excess paint and label it according to each room where it was used. This makes for easy touch ups in the future. Also considering keeping a note or spreadsheet for future reference. Include ceiling and trim paint too.



### Kitchen Island SW Rock Bottom

Kitchen Island BM Midnight Blue





Bathroom Walls BM White Wisp



Living Walls BM Intense White



Exterior BM Soot



Exterior BM Oxford White SW Tricorn Black (Front Door)



Exterior BM Repose Grey BM Dorian Gray

# About Amber

Hi-If we haven't already met...Welcome! For the past 15 years I have been buying, renovating, designing and selling houses...otherwise known as "house flipping."

What started as a part-time "let's see how it goes" leap became a full-time business in 2013, with more than 200+ completed projects.

After answering questions and speaking to new and experienced investors for the past several years, I decided to create tools and resources for others to get started renovating. Whether working on your own home or looking to flip houses for profit, I hope that this information will help along the way.



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