

fun decorating



bay laurel

BY RESTORATION
HARDWARE

"The homeowners wanted some color in their kitchen, but nothing shocking, so I painted all the cabinets a soft, natural-looking green. Next to the wood-topped island and the off-white walls and countertops, it has a calm, quiet feel. If you're color-shy, use it on just the lower cabinets and keep the upper ones and the walls a light neutral."

—Paige Sumblin Schnell,
Tracery Interiors,
Rosemary Beach, FL



drawing room blue

BY FARROW & BALL

"I usually go with pale colors on walls, but for this bedroom, I chose a dark shade to help the room look pulled together with all the other blues and browns. This tranquil blue is nice for sleeping in on the weekends but not so dark that it feels like a cave."

—Julie Nightingale, Nightingale Design, Rowayton, CT



sweet 16

BY BENJAMIN MOORE

"Once we put this pink on the walls, the bathroom seemed to come alive. When you have a traditional space like this, an unexpected shade makes it fun and youthful. Keep in mind that pinks can appear more intense on the wall than they do on a sample, so consider one that's a little lighter than you think you might like."

—Scot Waggoner, W.B. Builders,
Minneapolis, MN