

Girlish Garden Retreat



A bright, cheerful child's room uses exterior elements

Adults are often afraid of color, retreating to safe, muted neutrals when designing a home. But in children's rooms, they find the courage to go bright and bold.

That's why kids' rooms are such a dream to decorate. Children love creating a cozy, personalized space that reflects their interests, and adults love the chance to cut loose with strong color and fanciful touches.

The little girl's room pictured here is a great example of bright color bound together by a common garden theme. The spring blossom colors of pink and yellow, with a dash of green to set off the recessed bookcase, all contribute to a cheerful, cottage garden feel. Furthering the outdoor effect, a section of real picket fence is painted white and attached to the wall behind the bed. Crisp, white wooden shutters in the windows complete the look.

What You'll Need

Supplies:

- Rollers
- Tray
- Brushes
- Section of good quality (non-splintery) picket fence, cut to measure

Paint:

- Walls: Regal® Matte paint (Tickled Pink 2002-50)
- Trim: Regal® AquaGlo® paint (Morning Sunshine 2018-50)
- Bookcase Interior: Regal® AquaGlo® paint (Jalapeno Pepper 2147-30)
- Picket Fence and Shutters: Regal® AquaGlo® paint (White 01)

Step-by-Step Instructions

Step 1: Prime walls as needed. Allow to dry.

Step 2: Roll on wall color (Regal® Matte paint, Tickled Pink 2002-50).

Step 3: While walls are drying, sand any rough spots on picket fence, clean with tack cloth, and prime.

Step 4: Paint trim (Regal® AquaGlo® paint, Morning Sunshine 2018-50).

Step 5: Paint bookcase interior (Regal® AquaGlo® paint, Jalapeno Pepper 2147-30).

Step 6: Paint picket fence (Regal® AquaGlo® paint, White 01) and allow to dry.

Step 7: Attach picket fence to wall behind bed.

Note: if room does not have existing shutters, they can be purchased at home supply stores, primed and painted white before installation.