

★★★ Difficulty level ★ easy ★★ moderate ★★★ challenging

Room for Improvement  
with Mark Rayner – 6

Use a subtle two-tone sponged effect and crisp white ceiling to transform a large room in a traditional villa front room.

<b>Room</b>	Villa front room
<b>Condition</b>	Excellent
<b>Ceiling</b>	Pressed tin previously painted with white waterborne ceiling paint
<b>Woodwork</b>	Sanded bare wood in good condition
<b>Walls</b>	Previously painted with waterborne low sheen paint



### You will need:

- Bucket with warm water
- Clean cloths
- Dropcloth
- Interior filler
- Ladder or scaffold platform
- Mineral turpentine
- Paintbrushes
- Paint roller and tray
- Paint roller extension handle
- Paint stirrers
- Putty knife or similar for filling
- Resene Danska Teak Oil
- Resene Interior Paintwork Cleaner
- Resene Quick Dry
- Resene SpaceCote Flat White
- Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Fringy Flower
- Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Peppermint
- Rubber gloves
- Sandpaper
- Sponge

### To get the look:

To get a high gloss finish, Mark varnished the floorboards with four coats of Resene Polythane.



### Other ideas:

Create a different paint effect on the wall by lightly stippling one colour over another with a large dry brush.



#### Step one

Mix one part Resene Interior Paintwork Cleaner to sixty parts clean warm water.



#### Step two

Wearing rubber gloves, carefully wash the ceiling and walls with the solution, wiping off any excess with a clean dry cloth. Allow to dry.



#### Step three

Fill any holes or indentations in the walls and ceiling with filler and allow to dry.



#### Step four

Sand the filled areas with sandpaper and also lightly sand all the bare woodwork.

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**Step five**  
Wipe off any sanding residue with a clean dry cloth.



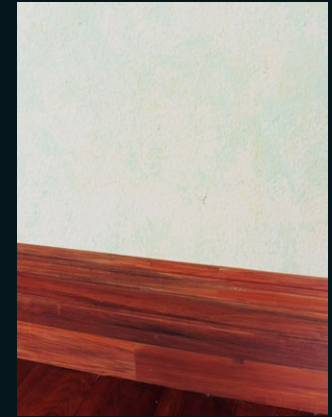
**Step six**  
Carefully stir the Resene Quick Dry.



**Step seven**  
Spot prime any filled areas with Resene Quick Dry and allow to dry.



**Step eight**  
Carefully stir the Resene SpaceCote Flat White.



### Handy hints:

Ensure you choose the correct roller sleeve for the surface you're painting – if in doubt check with Resene ColorShop staff.

For safety reasons, any cloths impregnated with Resene Danska Teak Oil should be rinsed with detergent and water before being discarded.



**Step nine**  
Apply two coats of Resene SpaceCote Flat White to the ceiling, allowing two hours for each coat to dry.



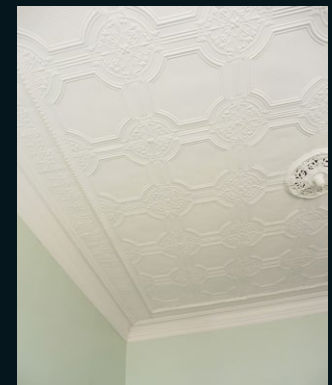
**Step ten**  
Carefully stir the Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Peppermint.



**Step eleven**  
Cut in around all the woodwork, corners, light switches and sockets with the Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Peppermint.



**Step twelve**  
Roll the remainder of the walls with Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Peppermint and allow to dry. Apply a second coat of Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Peppermint and allow to dry.



**Step thirteen**  
Carefully stir the Resene SpaceCote Low Sheen tinted to Resene Fringy Flower.



**Step fourteen**  
Using a damp sponge, carefully sponge the Resene Fringy Flower over the entire basecoat of Resene Peppermint. Allow to dry.



**Step fifteen**  
Carefully stir the Resene Danska Teak Oil.



**Step sixteen**  
Apply one coat of Resene Danska Teak Oil to all the bare woodwork and wipe off any excess oil with a dry absorbent cloth. Allow to dry for 24 hours. Clean brush with mineral turpentine.

### Top tip:

Masking any bare woodwork with masking tape and newspaper will protect the wood from any paint drips when you're painting the ceiling and walls.

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