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COLOR PAINTED FURNITURE

To go from dated to dazzling, all it takes is Chinese red, lemon yellow, malachite green...

Interviews by
CHRISTINE PITTEL



"Get a vintage wicker peacock chair, the style with the big fan back, and paint it a deep lemon yellow. You might get lucky on Craigslist or eBay and find two or three. Add white vinyl cushions and you're set for a relaxing afternoon on the porch, sipping mojitos."

ANGIE HRANOWSKY
PRATT & LAMBERT
SOLARETTE 14-10

"I get this in the outdoor trim paint, which makes it super-durable. The color reads as green, but it's so dark that it works as a neutral. I've painted it on everything from vintage rattan to old oak, and even midcentury modern furniture. I've tried other greens but always come back to Essex. It's an American classic."

ANTHONY BARATTA
BENJAMIN MOORE
ESSEX GREEN RME-43

"Instead of the usual hanging light over a kitchen island, I found a funky old chandelier and painted it leaf green, in high gloss. The original chandelier was nice, but nothing special. It was the green that made it amazing."

JENNIFER GARRIGUES
BENJAMIN MOORE
PLEASANT GROVE 552



"In white, this piece was bland. In red, it's guaranteed to turn heads. We love reviving vintage pieces with vivid, fresh-squeezed color. This is the perfect Chinese red, dynamic yet classic. And of course it's in high gloss, because we can never get enough shine. It's instant glamour."

JAIME RUMMERFIELD
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS
REAL RED SW6868



"An old hanging *étagère* just looked so tired in brown wood. Painting it persimmon immediately took 50 years off its age. It became this bright, unexpected accent of color in a white bathroom."

CHRISTOPHER MAYA
CALIFORNIA PAINTS
CLEMENTINE



"Painted white furniture in Palm Beach seems to be a natural, but I decided to go in the opposite direction. After several coats of shiny black paint, a pair of Hollywood Regency chairs became a crisp complement to a soft pink-and-white bedroom."

GARY McBOURNIE
BENJAMIN MOORE
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