

# Painting Tips from the Pros at Mills County General Store

## What is the best place to start integrating a fun, new paint color into my home?

Start small. Try experimenting with a favorite color in a small bathroom or guest room or on an accent wall. It's a great way to see immediate results and a quick fix if you find that particular color is not for you. Think of it as an adventure!

## Where is the best place to find paint color inspiration for the rooms in my home?

One of the most foolproof ways to inspire a great color scheme is to pull colors from something that you already have and know you plan to keep in the room—like a

favorite piece of artwork, curtains, bedding, furniture fabrics or even a cherished family heirloom. Mills County General Store has a computer color matching program that can match any color in your home.

## Are there certain colors that are better suited than others for different rooms of the home?

When choosing a room color, it's important to think about the mood you want to create in that room. For example, soothing neutrals and softer, more muted colors can help to create a restful, relaxing mood, which is perfect for bedrooms and bathrooms. Brighter and more vibrant colors tend to create a livelier

environment, which is better suited for the more active areas of your home such as a kitchen, dining area, craft room or a child's playroom.

## How can the lighting in my home affect the colors I choose?

Lighting can have a huge effect on a color's appearance. For example, natural daylight shows the truest color, while incandescent lighting brings out warm tones and yellows, and fluorescent lighting casts a cooler, bluer tone. For best results, we recommend getting a pint tinted to your favorite color and painting a swatch on your wall, then viewing your color at different times of the day and night in the light sources used in that room. We also carry a huge variety of light bulbs and fixtures that can help bring the most out of your paint color choices.

## What is color scheme?

A color scheme is a combination of colors used together to create a beautiful designer look. Some of the most popular color schemes for home decor are: complementary, analogous and monochromatic. A complementary color scheme combines colors that are opposite from each other on the color wheel (like red paired with green or blue paired with orange) —creating a classic and timeless look. An analogous color scheme uses colors that lay directly next to each other on the color wheel (such as blue paired with green and purple, or red paired with yellow and orange). An analogous scheme using cool colors will give rooms a calming and soothing look, while a warm analogous scheme will create an energizing effect. A monochromatic color scheme incorporates a mixture of lighter and darker shades of the same color (like a deep navy paired



with a mid-toned blue and a pale, sky blue), which creates a stylish and sophisticated look.

## Need More Painting Help?

Come by Mills County General Store and let the pros answer all your painting questions. The General Store has everything you need to paint a room or a whole house, all in one convenient store.

## CENTRAL TEXAS FARM CREDIT DECLARES RECORD \$6.3 MILLION PATRONAGE TO CUSTOMERS

The board of directors of Central Texas Farm Credit, a rural financing cooperative, recently approved the payment of a record \$6.3 million cash patronage refund to its customers, based on its solid earnings in 2017. Checks will be mailed to customers in March.

The record patronage will reduce the effective interest rate paid by each borrower in 2017 by an average of 1.5 percent. Member payments will vary as patronage is calculated based on their contribution to the associations' profitability.

"We are pleased that our cooperative has the financial strength to provide this all cash patronage refund to our customers, who collectively own the business," said Jimmy Chambers, Central Texas Farm Credit chief executive officer. "We are committed to sharing our earnings with them, and are proud to be able to thank them for their business in this way."

As a customer-owned cooperative, Central Texas Farm Credit provides its members with financing at competitive rates, and also returns its surplus earnings to them after it has met its needs for a strong capital base. Borrowers become stockholders and part-owners in the business, which gives them the opportunity to share in its financial success.

Central Texas Farm Credit provides financing for all types of rural real estate, including farms, ranches, rural homes and recreational property. The lender also finances livestock, equipment and the working capital needs of farmers, ranchers and agribusinesses. The Early-headquartered cooperative has branch offices in Brady, Coleman, Comanche, Early, Haskell, San Angelo, and San Saba. It is part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, which celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2016.

For more information, visit [www.ranchmoney.com](http://www.ranchmoney.com).

