

Exterior Paints

The renowned Farrow & Ball colour palette is available in a full range of exterior finishes, allowing you to continue the distinctive Farrow & Ball look outside your home.

From cottage to castle and contemporary to classic, whatever the style of home and look you're creating, there are many ways to introduce colour to exteriors. Suitable for use on brick, wood and metalwork, Farrow & Ball exterior paints are available in the same unrivalled colour palette you know and love. Created with the same passion and exacting standards, all Farrow & Ball exterior paints are durable, water based and eco friendly.

In this guide, you'll find striking scenic photography showcasing our exterior paint range, along with decorating inspiration and ideas. We hope it inspires you to create beautiful exteriors using Farrow & Ball colours.



Exterior Eggshell

Available in all 132 colours in the Farrow & Ball palette, Exterior Eggshell is a durable and flexible water based paint with a high resistance to flaking and peeling. It is suitable for use on exterior wood and metal surfaces including doors, window frames, shutters, cladding, railings, gates, guttering and garden furniture. You can use it on almost anything, from bird boxes to balconies!



Exterior Masonry

Extremely tough and hard-wearing, Exterior Masonry paint is available in over 100 colours for use on all masonry surfaces outside. With the hallmark matt Farrow & Ball look, it helps to protect exterior surfaces against extreme weather conditions and mould and algae contamination, as well as resisting dirt pick-up. Perfect for your house and garden walls or to create a cluster of colourful painted pots.

Limewash

Limewash is a traditional powdery matt finish, with superb depth of colour which ages over time. Available in all off-whites and a comprehensive selection of colours, it is suitable for interior and exterior limestone, lime render and plaster as well as wattle and daub.



House: Wimborne White Exterior Masonry, Shutters: Wimborne White Exterior Eggshell, Door: Fawn Exterior Eggshell.

Full Gloss

This traditional high-shine gloss finish has a 95% sheen level and is suitable for both interior and exterior wood and metalwork. Extremely versatile and robust, it is available in all 132 colours. Use on your front door for a classic, elegant look, or try painting garden furniture, accessories or ornaments to add small but striking accents of colour.



Primers and Undercoats

Farrow & Ball primers and undercoats have been specially formulated using the same natural ingredients and rich pigments as our topcoats. For best results and to achieve a perfect, even finish when decorating outside, use the appropriate primer and undercoat.

Exterior Wood Primer & Undercoat

This undercoat provides a protective, flexible and breathable foundation to exterior woodwork when using Exterior Eggshell or Full Gloss paints. Available in four colours.

Metal Primer & Undercoat

This rust inhibiting primer is suitable for use on bare ferrous metal surfaces when using Full Gloss or Exterior Eggshell. It can be used on gates, railings, garden furniture and metal downpipes and is available in four colours.

Masonry & Plaster Stabilising Primer

This clear primer provides a strong foundation when using Exterior Masonry paint, giving a longer lasting finish. It can be used on masonry surfaces which are porous, chalky or slightly degraded but otherwise structurally sound.

Wood Knot & Resin Blocking Primer

Specially created for use on woodwork when using Full Gloss or Exterior Eggshell, this primer blocks resinous stains on bare hardwood, softwood and knotty areas.

To find the correct undercoat colour for your paint, please refer to our colour card.





Choosing Colour

You can create fabulous schemes outside your home and in the garden with Farrow & Ball colours.

When it comes to choosing colour, there are no rights or wrongs, but do think about some of these factors:

- The aspect of your property and surrounding area.
- Consider the period of your property and the style and colour of neighbouring buildings; in particular, whether you wish to create a complementary or contrasting scheme.
- Look for dominant features like brickwork, natural wood and expanses of other colours such as paved or gravelled areas, lawns, fencing, shrubs and even flowers – all of which can affect colour choice.

But most importantly, pick a palette that feels right for you.





Decorating Ideas

- When decorating outside, you can usually go a shade or two darker than you would inside because you mostly see exterior colours in daylight. If you are considering using Slipper Satin try Off-White, or Pigeon instead of French Gray.
- To create a flow between the interior of your home and the exterior, use the same colour outside on a garden wall or a piece of furniture to help connect the two spaces together.
- To make a feature of your entrance, paint your front door and frame in one colour to help make it look bigger and more imposing.
- Consider paint finish as well as colour for your front door; Exterior Eggshell creates a relaxed feel in softer colours and a more contemporary look in stronger colours. Full Gloss gives a classic look and is especially effective in stronger colours such as Hague Blue, Black Blue or Railings.
- Layer colours outside just as you would inside to create added interest. Try using a mixture of colours on garden furniture such as Mizzle on chairs, with a table top painted in Old White and table legs in Mouse's Back.





Adding colour to your garden

Exterior decorating can be fun too!

Whatever size your space is you can add colour in a garden in simple ways – try painting a bench, planters, window boxes, pots or even a birdhouse to create a focal point.

Colour can also be used to emphasise a feature in a garden – paint a summerhouse or wall in a bold colour to create a stunning backdrop to plants and foliage.

Painting tips

- Avoid painting outside in extreme temperatures and don't apply paint if there is a likelihood of rain!
- Exterior paint is best applied early in the day to allow drying before evening condensation. Lighting conditions tend to be best in the morning too.
- Always prepare the surface well before painting - surfaces should be clean and dry.



Farrow & Ball

Farrow & Ball has been making paint in Dorset, England, one batch at a time since its beginnings and it stands apart as one of only a few manufacturers which actually makes all of the paint and wallpaper sold under its name. Our edited palette of 132 richly pigmented paint colours have an unsurpassed purity and depth of colour, and are available in a full range of modern and traditional paint finishes. Created using only the finest, high quality ingredients and to original formulations, all Farrow & Ball paints are eco friendly, water based and low in odour.

Exterior Paint Range

For exterior wood and metal:

Exterior Eggshell Available in all 132 colours for use on wood and metal surfaces.

Full Gloss Available in all 132 colours, suitable for both interior and exterior wood and metalwork.

Exterior Wood Primer & Undercoat Available in four colours for use on exterior wood surfaces with Exterior Eggshell or Full Gloss.

Metal Primer & Undercoat Available in four colours for use on exterior metalwork with Full Gloss or Exterior Eggshell.

Wood Knot & Resin Blocking Primer For use on exterior woodwork when using Full Gloss or Exterior Eggshell.

For exterior walls:

Exterior Masonry Available in over one hundred colours for all exterior masonry surfaces.

Limewash Available in all off-whites and a comprehensive selection of colours. This finish is made to order and has a no returns policy.

Masonry & Plaster Stabilising Primer For use on plaster surfaces with Exterior Masonry paint.

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