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## Make the most of colour

A good paint job can improve a home's appearance and help it sell faster. But, what colours should you choose? If you plan on selling your home soon, it's a good idea to avoid anything too drastic and use traditional soft, muted tones.

Anything relatively neutral is safe it will match with any decor. Think about the room's natural lighting. Bring paint chips home to see how certain colours look in certain rooms. When choosing paint for a

wall, paint a 2' x 2' section first and let it dry (some paint stores are now offering larger size chips to take home). Then look at it at different times of the day when the lighting is different.

Remember, paint usually dries one to two shades darker and you don't want to paint an entire room only to discover the colour is entirely too dark. You can also use colour to create illusions. Paint a feature wall if you're concerned the colour may

be too drastic. Then, if your buyer doesn't like it, he/she only needs to re-paint the one wall. Paint is an inexpensive way to put your home's best face forward.

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