

CLOCKWISE FROM UPPER LEFT: Designers Jason Wilde and Sue Harman chose Benjamin Moore's "Medieval Times" green to create an informal ambience. A blue-green wall performs as a neutral backdrop in this bath. Designers Linda Johnson and Gregg Hodson used multiple greens in this Park City bedroom.

toned, no-fail options offer something for every décor.

Part of green's appeal is its versatility—it can be elegant or playful depending on the shade you select. Sage is sophisticated while lime is vivacious. If you want a calm, refined look, for example, pair an understated green such as sage or celery with light-colored, gray-tone woods and natural linen upholstery. These subtle greens perform as today's new neutrals, standing out by actually blending in. If you want a bouncy, spunky ambience, on the other hand,

take a different tack. Consider contrasting a bright grassy green with a dark wood finish and bright, white trim. Remember, if you choose a vibrant green, keep in mind that a little goes a long way. Accessories and accent elements—vases, lamps, a throw—may be all you need to make a powerful statement.

No matter which direction you decide to take, this year, give green a go. It's a sure-fire way to give your home up-to-the-minute styling while treating your-self to the color's comforting, easy-to-live-with character.

GREEN'S NEW HUES







Sherwin-Williams Pickle



Farrow & Ball Churlish Green



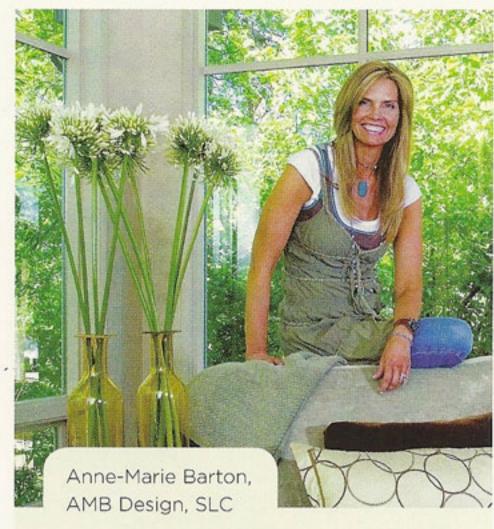
Farrow & Ball Theresa's Green



Benjamin Moore Cedar Green



Benjamin Moore Lucia Teal



GREEN IS RED HOT

Designer **Anne-Marie Barton**loves green and chooses the
verdant color for cottages and
timeless European abodes alike.
She offers the following tips for
using green in your home.

- walls more pronounced, pair them with cream molding. When featuring a clearer, primary green, white molding is a better choice.
- >>> Think beyond paint. Today's glass mosaics, stone (Barton suggests Lago Azure), wall coverings and beautiful woods are wonderful ways to add green to an interior.
- >> Avoid too much red (mahogany or red oak) or yellow (golden oak lacking gray undertones) in the woods you choose for a green-tinted décor.
- >>> Consider shades other than grasshued green. Instead, Barton suggests using a golden, citrus green as a neutral and accenting it with earthy shades of saffron, tomato, nutmeg and cream. "Polished nickel hardware and fixtures round out this color story beautifully," she says.
- If you're color-timid, use rugs, pillows and smaller upholstered pieces as well as a single accent wall (with wall covering or paint) to showcase more intense greens in your home.