

USING pattern

Wallpaper

A wallpaper that has a busy pattern (one with a lot of colour and detail), could make a room feel cluttered or un-relaxing if it covered every wall.



A great way to use a busy pattern is to put wallpaper on just one wall. This is called an accent wall, and it can become a feature of the room.



Textiles

If putting a patterned paper on one wall is still too much, then you can bring pattern into a room using textiles. This can be in the form of cushions, bedding, curtains, rugs, bean bags and other fabric furnishings.



Paint

Simple patterns made using stencils or tape can be painted into a room, such as floorboards painted in different coloured stripes or a geometric wall design.



Mixing Patterns

It's best to mix patterns that are similar in colour or pattern. For example, floral red-and-white bedding could look good with a patterned rug of the same colour. Or, you could mix different coloured geometric stripes on a chair and rug.



You can also mix similar patterns in different sizes, such as a large floral pattern on a bed with a small floral pattern on a lampshade.

