

# climb the walls

**For a more subtle taped-off look, pair sheen with matt of the same paint colour. Or pair a satin wall colour and a glaze mixture (metallic glaze and the same satin wall colour)**

## You will need:

Tape measure  
Spirit level  
Masking tape  
Foam rollers and trays  
Paintbrushes.  
Acrylic paint in two colours

## Here's how:

1. Plan the design for your stripes. Take accurate measurements of the wall to be painted.
2. Roll on base-coat paint and let dry. For horizontal stripes, use a tape measure to lay out dimensions of the stripes. Use a spirit level and a pencil to draw lines on the wall if you are using more than two colours.
3. Apply masking tape on outside edge of each band to be painted with first accent colour. Burnish the tape edge with your fingernail to seal it tightly to the wall. Apply a small 'x' with tape in the areas that won't be painted.
4. Roll on first paint colour in appropriate area. Apply a second coat, if necessary. Carefully remove the tape as soon as the final coat of paint is applied. Remove tape markers in unpainted areas. Let the paint dry.

Vertical stripes visually lift a ceiling and make a space seem taller. Horizontal stripes visually expand a room and make it seem wider. Diagonal stripes give walls a dynamic sense by leading the eye in the direction the stripes flow.



5. Apply tape on outside edges of each band to be painted if you are using a second accent colour. Roll on second paint colour to appropriate areas; remove tape. Let the paint dry.