

paint color checklist

9 tips and tricks

- Head to your local paint store and select several (10 or 15) paint chips that you think will look GREAT in your room!
- When choosing the paint chips, pick-out colors with both warm (i.e., yellow) and cool (i.e., blue) undertones.
- At home, place the paint chips next to your main piece of furniture or textile in the room (whatever has the main color in the room). Hold onto the chips that look great with the furniture piece or textile, and set the others aside.
- Take the paint chips that you're holding on to and lay them on the flooring in the room. The paint chips that compliment your flooring AND your furniture will most likely look great on your walls!
- Take your top 3-4 favorite paint chips and go buy samples of those! (It will cost about \$12-16 total, but this will eliminate the mistake of buying a gallon of paint that doesn't work on in your room!)
- Using the samples, paint large portions of the color on each wall of your room (make sure the color is close to the floor, too). If you don't want to swatch your walls, you can also paint foam boards and lean them up against your walls.
- Check to see what the colors look like on the walls at different times of the day. (**Tip:** Many times what is outside a window, reflects color inside a room. I.e., trees outside your window, may reflect a green on your wall(s) inside... adjust your paint choice for situations like this.)
- Remember to place your furniture or textile next to the paint swatches on the walls, as well.
- Now, choose your fave swatch and decide on a sheen and go buy your paint!