

## Think green in 2017 and reconnect with nature

Mel Thorne of Country Knole Interiors gives advice on interior design trends for 2017





ne of the best things about starting a new year is thinking of new ways to revive your home and what better way to start than by looking to predicted 'trends' for 2017. Just by painting your walls, or getting new accessories, you can incorporate this "trend."

Don't be scared by the term 'trend' however because in the interiors world a 'trend' can be around for years or even decades. Grey has been a huge colour recently and is not fading anytime soon.





Pantone's colour of the year for 2017 is 'Greenery', a fresh soulful colour that evokes the first flush of spring with all its colourful awakenings.

'A symbolic colour selection; a colour snapshot of what we see taking place in our global culture that serves as an expression of a mood and an attitude'. This could not be more apt with the shade chosen for 2017.

Greenery is a colour that symbolises a reconnection with nature within our current turbulent and unsettled environment. It is a versatile shade that is trans-seasonal, lending itself to many different colour combinations.

Whether you are looking for an interior with soft dappled light or one with strong depth and impact, there are many shades of green to



suit. From emerald to lime green this colour is versatile and can create very differing feels to an

Patterns reflecting nature have always been popular but never so much as now. From soft trailing vines to large graphic tropical ferns there is something for everyone within this

If you are not keen on incorporating the trend in such large doses why not add some emerald glasses to your dinner table or freshen up your sofa or bed with some on-trend cushions for that up-to-the-minute look?

You only have to look to nature to see the vast array of different shades of green so be inspired and think green in 2017.





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