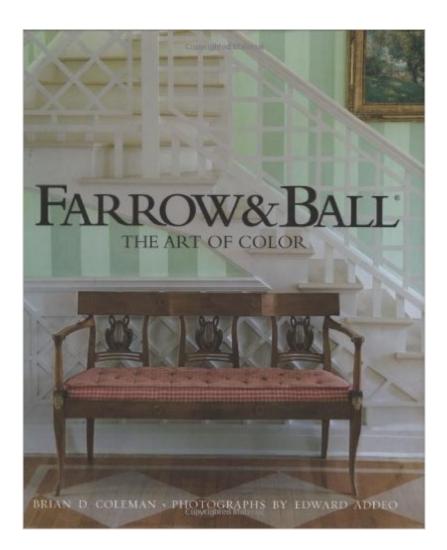
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Farrow & Ball: The Art Of Color





Synopsis

Farrow & Ball is a leader in the luxury paint and wallpaper market, catering to top designers and discerning homeowners who seek the finest quality products to adorn their walls. Offering a unique historical color palette, stunning depth of color, great coverage and a wide choice of finishes, Farrow & Ball products are found in many of the world's most exclusive properties. In Farrow & Ball: The Art of Color, Brian Coleman hosts a tour of cottages, castles, lofts and beyond that illustrate how paint and wallpaper are paramount to a room's overall design and feel. Visually stunning interiors and inspiring color schemes reveal how to build cohesive, stylish rooms by using furnishings and fabrics that blend with and accent the walls.

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Customer Reviews

Although the mission for the book may have been to showcase the F&B colors, they achieved far more. This book has full color photos on every page and is a wonderful compendium of period rooms. For me the photo of the brown and white dining room (walls painted in Dauphin, a color that looks quite different on walls than on my tiny chip) was worth the price of admission --- especially considering you can get a (barely) used hardcover copy of this book for less than \$10. One of the best bargains I've ever seen, in a truly useful and gorgeous design book.

Fantastic photography and informative text; an unbeatable combination. As a professional, I need to know paints inside and out - and F&B make low VOC, highest quality paint in formulations that most non-Europeans can't figure out. This books provides a useful ("this finish for this purpose" section) that I found extremely helpful. Each room has the colors used clearly noted - a great help to in visualizing the way a paint combination can look. Must have book for anyone who wants to use high quality paints and understand more about color. This is not just a "coffee table" picture book - but it could be -- it's a marvelous reference tool too.

I like this book. It's wonderful for ideas, but I think that it's more of a book for a professional designer. Not many of us live in castles. For how to paint your own home, I recommend Farrow and Ball "Living with Color." It identifies palettes and makes the job easier.

I was waiting for this book for some time and had high hopes because I know that Farrow and Ball make great paint. The book was a disappointment however, because the quality of the pictures was poor and the text rather boring. I had somehow expect it to be better. I also think many of the homes pictured were rather dated looking and not as interesting as some of the new rooms we see in other publications.

I got the Kindle version because I'm cheap. Some of the houses are quite grand, but they are grand American houses with American sensibility and historical appropriateness. Some houses are as humble as can be. My only quibble is that two or three houses were painted the same color--one variant of white or another--so I ended up with lots of fine photos of the same color over and over. Farrow and Ball paint is luscious, but this book is not a showcase for half their variety of colors. Still, there were a few combinations of interest that are not on their website that I can consider later. The thing is that photographed paint, whether on paper or a screen, is never true to the real thing on your wall. Use F&B books for a starting point, but to get it right, you're going to need those little sample cans. I will say that putting F&B paint on the wall feels like putting warm icing on a cake. When dry, it feels good to the touch. There's a reason for all the hype.

Beautifully done book. I enjoyed the many examples of rooms/colors/textures/lighting, etc. I would recommend the book for different perspectives of style, but a bit outdated. Still love it though.Book in new condition and arrived quickly. Happy I bought it.

I love F&B. Love their paint. Love their style/inspiration resources. This book is an excellent reference resource for 1990s decorating but not relevant if you are looking for a source for timeless color inspiration. Save your money and buy a House Beautiful or Domino subscription (both regularly feature lots of great F &B inspiration).

The book is definately one for your decorating library. The quality of the pictures and explanation of colors is good. The book also demonstrates the differences caused by the angles and placement of paint in a given room and how the color can change according to light and shade. The book, for the most part, is very traditional and is heavy on US decorating trends within the 2007 time-period. However, since the book was published in 2007 it does not reflect current trends in style and color. I should have realized this and checked the date of the book before purchasing. Styles and trends have changed since 2007 and new wonderful F&B colors have been introduced. Having said this, the book is certainly one for reference and contains lots of lovely ideas and information. I purchased the book in excellent used condition and have no regrets.

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