



COLOUR GUIDE FOR FRONT DOORS



Consider Your Home's Overall Colour When Choosing a Colour for Your Front Door.

Whatever colour you end up choosing for your front door, you'll want to be sure it won't clash or detract from the overall colour of your home's exterior.

Here are a few colour combinations to start you off:

- Green shades look particularly good against terracotta (brick) and grey exteriors.
- Purple shades look great against a grey home, and you can adjust the intensity to harmonize with your home's colour.
- Few things are as welcoming to visitors as a bright yellow front door. However, yellow can often be intense, it tends to work best with a somewhat muted background, like soft blue, white, or grey. Bear in mind that there are many shades of yellow you can choose, from soft lemony shades to something as bright as the sunshine itself! Again, this is where your preference for softness and harmony or boldness and contrast come into play. Trust your gut!
- Orange can be tricky to get right, even for a front door. A bold orange looks super with a cool grey exterior. An orange door can also look fabulous on a blue home since blue is its opposite on the colour wheel. However, to keep things from looking too intense, adjust boldness in accordance with the shade of blue that's on your home's exterior. For instance, if your home is a deep, intense blue, tone down the orange you use for your door, and vice-versa. Seeing as though orange is a warm colour, it may compliment the look if the siding is also a warm colour, such as tan. The siding in this case will make even a bright orange door look less intense.
- Red doors don't necessarily need to be the brightest hue to make a statement. For example, a white or off-white house with black trim looks truly elegant with a deep red front door. In fact, a white house with black trim can handle nearly any colour you choose to paint your front door! On the other hand, if your home's exterior is deep grey, a bright red door will compliment it beautifully! (Bright red will also work on a lighter grey home.) Feel free to read our post on why you should paint your front door red.
- Purple's opposite on the colour wheel is yellow, so evidently a purple front door can work well on a yellow house. Remember the rule about keeping one colour muted, though and if your home's exterior is bright yellow, tone down the purple you choose for the door. A brighter purple front door can look quite regal against a neutral background, though.
- Intense shades of blue aren't often used on the exterior of a home, but when muted a bit, can be quite striking. Consider a softer tone of blue paired with a brick house and you will achieve an outstanding effect!

Use the charts on the following pages to choose a colour that best matches your current cladding and frame.

What colour should I choose for my front door?



If your cladding is White:

Apple Red Not fire engine red, but not Burgundy. Positive meanings.

Contrasting Black Attractive formality, a touch of grandiose.

Sailor Navy Enough difference to the black without going too bright. A marine treasure.

Teal Blue Make your door the jewel in its glittering curb appeal.

If your cladding is Grey:

Sunflower Field The Warmth of Summer, something we all love.

Brownly Bronze Is a classic portraying aged beauty.

Rollicking Orange Commands attention. Has perfect punctuation and vibrancy.

Violet A flirty update to replace something traditional.

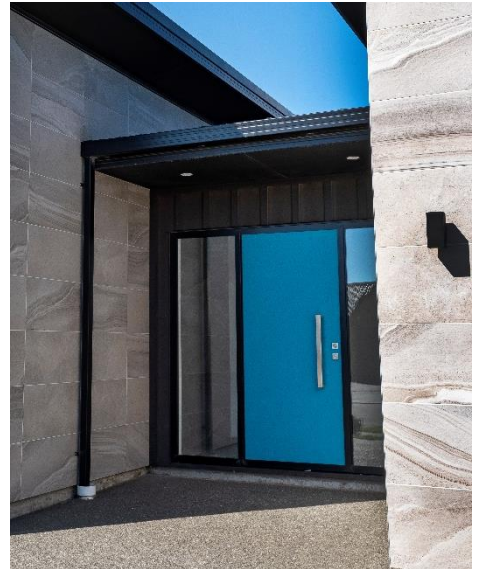
If your cladding is Brick:

Black Solid and secure. Add a touch of elegance with powder-coated black.

Rich Brown A trouble free alternative to gloss.

Warm Grey Formal, but not threatening.

Spruce Green Black until full daylight, when other colours are at their best, to compliment it.



If your cladding is Natural:

Olive Green Promoting nature, always works with natural textures.

Tropical Blue Add energy to neutrality.

Tangerine Like flowers in the field, add a touch of playful happiness

Purple Sophistication and old fashioned royalty. Great with bronze hardware.

If your cladding is Beige:

Burgundy Warmth but character, great for classic through to contemporary.

Blue Poppy Roots in familiarity with a touch of nostalgia. Memories of sail boat story books.

Blue/Green Has copper patina. Not marine but not nature.

Deep Fuchsia Whimsical brilliance.

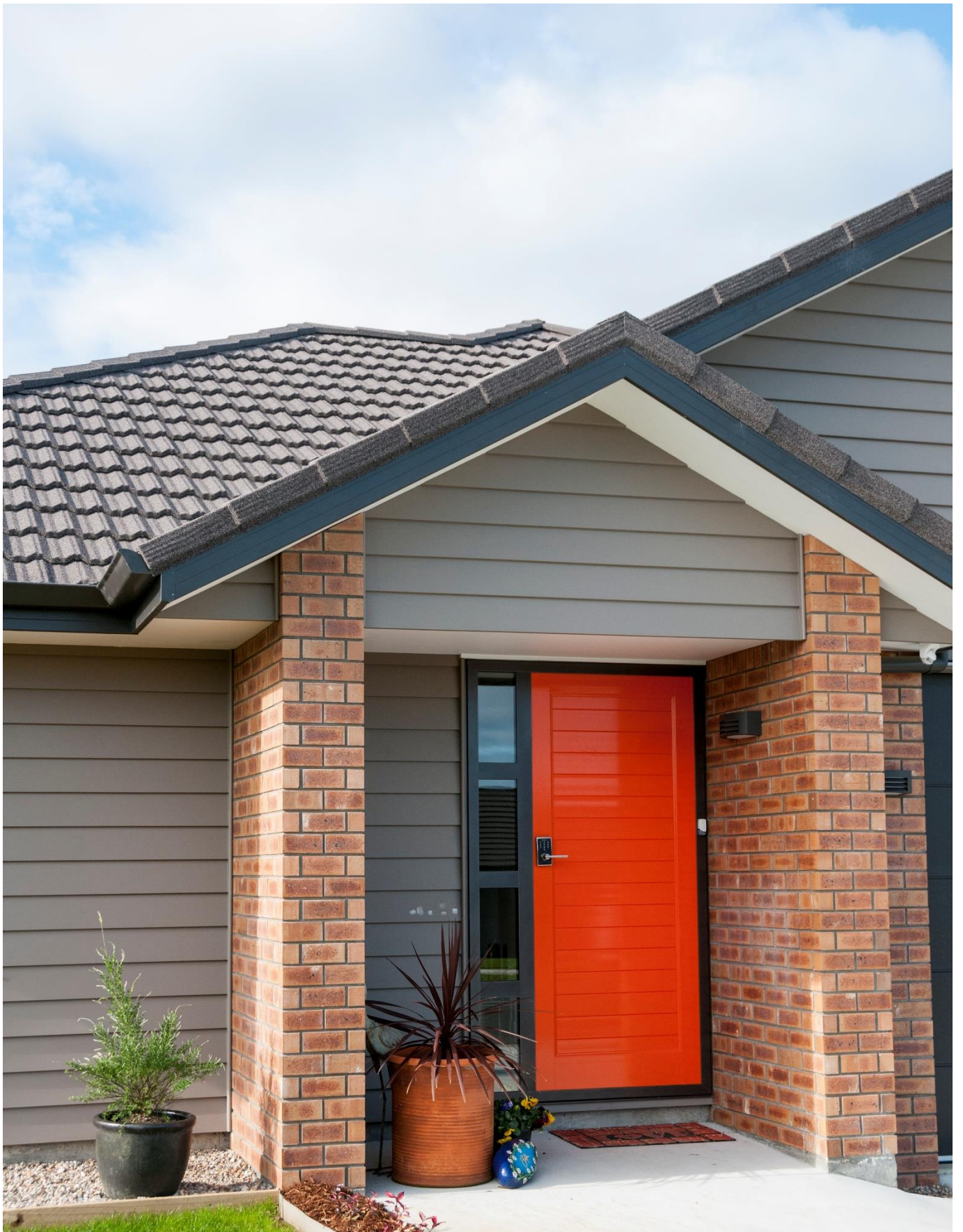
If your cladding is Dark Brown:

Honey Yellow Bright but traditional, could be mustard.

Egg Plant Toned-back red & blue, but not dull brown.

Fresh Green Add that nature touch.

Red Delicious There's still an apple on the tree.



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