Green Paint Undertone Cheat Sheet

Find the perfect muddy sage or rich olive for your space.

Stop guessing at tiny paint chips. Match your paint's base color and light reflectance to your room's unique lighting for a flawless, grounded space.



Designer Specifications

35 LRV
Adds rich depth to living rooms

2700K
Warm bulbs to restore earthy tones

1 inch
Unpainted white border on test paper

3/8 inch
Microfiber roller nap for matte walls

2.5 inches
Angled sash brush for cutting in

66 inches
Sconce height from the floor

Reveal the true base color

Place your green paint chip directly against a piece of pure white printer paper to instantly expose any hidden blue or yellow undertones before buying.

Undertone & LRV Cheat Sheet

Find your row: **Room and exposure**

Room and exposure	Your pick	Why
North-facing room	Yellow-green base	Warms up chilly natural light
South-facing room	Blue-green base	Cools intense afternoon sunlight
Bedrooms and dens	15 to 25 LRV	Creates deep, moody, cave-like spaces
Kitchens and baths	50 to 65 LRV	Keeps spaces bright, airy, and reflective

Testing and Preparation

- ○ Check painted watercolor paper swatches at early morning, afternoon, and evening.
- ○ Tape swatches flush against door frames to see interaction with woodwork.
- ○ Multiply room perimeter by ceiling height, then divide by 400 for gallons.
- ○ Ask your paint retailer for gray-tinted primer to guarantee true color payoff.

Finishes and Styling

- ☐ Select a matte velvet finish to hide drywall bumps.
- ☐ Color-drench baseboards in the exact same green satin finish.
- ☐ Add a thick natural fiber rug in warm sand.
- ☐ Incorporate reflective metallic accents like unlacquered brass or nickel.
- ☐ Layer a light-colored soft textile like an oatmeal throw.
- ☐ Introduce two distinct mid-tone woods like walnut and oak.

Project Notes

Enjoy your beautifully grounded space, wrapped in the perfect shade of green.