North-Light Grey Sampling Sheet

Master hidden undertones and ideal brightness for a beautifully warm room.

North-facing rooms receive cool, bluish light that can turn standard greys icy. Use this log to test swatches and build a cozy, enveloping space.



Warm Room Essentials

55-65
Target wall LRV for north rooms

25% strength
Ceiling tint of main wall grey

Same grey, satin
Trim color and finish match

2700K
Warm artificial light bulb temperature

3 heights
Lighting layers (floor, table, shelf)

Isolate the Base Pigments

Cover the top four shades on the paint strip with your hand to isolate the bottom two colors. This forces your eye to register the true base without bright distractions.

Testing & Tinting Process

1. **Check the darkest chip** Look at the absolute bottom of the swatch card to ensure it reveals a warm brown-grey.
2. **Paint large samples** Apply generous coats on movable foam boards to evaluate how it reacts to your specific architecture.
3. **Request a deep base** Ask for a deep base formulation so the brown undertones develop fully without looking chalky.
4. **Prime the walls** Use a high-quality, bright white primer to create a neutral baseline before testing your chosen swatches.

Wall Grey LRV Ranges

Find your row: **Your chosen paint LRV**

Your chosen paint LRV	Your pick	Why
80 to 100	Washes out, looks dingy	Best for south-facing rooms
66 to 79	Feels ungrounded and cold	Best for east or west
40 to 54	Creates a moody atmosphere	Best for cozy dens or libraries
0 to 39	Absorbs all ambient light	Best for accent features only

The Swatch Log Routine

- ○ Place your painted foam board directly in the darkest corner.
- ○ Observe morning shadows for unexpected purple or green shifts in weak light.
- ○ Check during bright noon glare to ensure the color holds inherent depth.
- ○ Evaluate in evening lamp light to confirm the cozy, enveloping aesthetic.
- ○ Verify your custom ceiling tint by dabbing onto spare white cardboard.
- ○ Check that your main drywall surfaces use a flat or matte finish.

My Swatch Observations

Enjoy your beautifully warm, perfectly balanced jewel-box of a room!