



## The interior

Unlike the stereotypical Mexican palette of old, which sang with Barragán-inspired shocking pinks and mustard yellows, this new interpretation draws its inspiration from a less sun-soaked (more sundowner) take on the natural surroundings – think terracotta reds, deep ocean blues and tropical green foliage. The colours are still zingy and bright, lending themselves to bold decorating schemes and graphic designs, but with an appeal that will remain beyond summer. Glossy tiles (on floors or walls) are a great entry route to this look, but textiles and furnishings offer an instant taste of the sunny style.

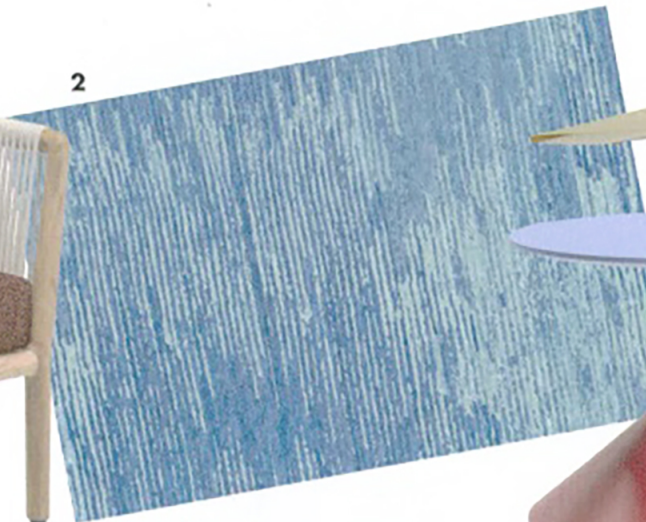


- 1 The owners of this home in Melbourne, designed by YSG Studio, wanted to blend Danish minimalism with a more exotic palette. In the bathroom, that meant choosing mosaic-sized light-blue tiles (reminiscent of swimming pools) to wrap the floor and walls, pairing them with darker red and navy elements that add vibrancy and weight ([ysg.studio](http://ysg.studio)).
- 2 It doesn't get more Mexican – or more luxurious – than this bedroom in Hotel Esencia by Studio Giancarlo Valle, featuring furniture carved in Cancún and tiles made in Guadalajara that have a natural ripple. The addition of the chequerboard bedspread brings some graphic punch to the otherwise artisanal decoration ([giancarlovalle.com](http://giancarlovalle.com)).
- 3 Valencian designer Jaime Hayon's favoured colours, splashed across his art, are full of Latin energy and have a synergy with this month's moodboard. In Casa Clarita, a hotel he designed in his hometown, they are used playfully, as on the tiled arch leading to the dining area ([hayonstudio.com](http://hayonstudio.com)).

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## The easy update

- 1 'Boboli' outdoor armchair by Vincent Van Duysen for Molteni & C, £2,639, Chaplins ([chaplins.co.uk](http://chaplins.co.uk))
- 2 'Tide Pools Drop Stitch' outdoor rug in 'Outta The Blue', £403, Perennials ([perennialsfabrics.com](http://perennialsfabrics.com))
- 3 'Lud'o' side table by Patricia Urquiola, £1,230, Cappellini ([cappellini.com](http://cappellini.com))
- 4 'Hanway' garden parasol, £525, Oka ([oka.com](http://oka.com))
- 5 'Sciara' long table by Marella Ferrera, approx £6,824, Paola Lenti ([paolalenti.it](http://paolalenti.it))