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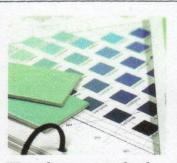
PAINT

Where to find your perfect palette ANNIE SLOAN

This store stocks a gorgeous edit of eco-friendly chalk paints in a unique palette of full-bodied hues. Go online or book a workshop in store for tutorials in how to use the products on your furniture. (anniesloan.com)

FRANCESCA'S PAINTS

Originally dedicated to creating limewash and chalky emulsions, Francesca Wezel's company now sells a wide range of paints; all of her finishes are hand-mixed on site. 34 Battersea Business Centre, 99–109 Lavender Hill, London SW11 (francescaspaint.com)



'To select paint shades, I use the NCS Colour System, which is based on how the human eye sees colour, rather than a computer. Most paint shops can then mix your chosen hue'

LULU ROPER-CALDBECK, CO-FOUNDER, DARKROOM



Interiors journalist Hannah Booth reveals her top three North London gems



Now bigger and better after a move to a new location. Future and Found © is a quark homeware emporium run by Andrea Bates, a former buyer for Heal's I love this shop because it is so unusual, stocking things that you wouldn't find anywhere else. It sells a particularly good range of ceramics and cushions.

225a Brecknock Fined, London N19 (futureandfound.com)

Located in an old stable yard. Highgate Architectural Antiques Θ is an amazing salvage emporium. It sells everything from busts to reclaimed doors and stained-glass windows. All of the products are one-offs and everything is good value, too. 96a Highgate Road, London NW5

You will find a mini Ottoman empire of rug shops on Highgate Road.

Orientalist features three rooms of handmade Persian and Afghan designs, plus carpets and kilims. Its elegant wares, particularly the faded antique rugs, might not be cheap, but they're worth the money.

74 Highgate Road, London NW5

