

Patterned tiles

Add colour to your kitchen or bathroom with tiles in subtle designs, colourful borders or historic motifs



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Before you buy

- If all-over patterns for a traditional setting are hard to find, choose reproduction individual decorated tiles (décor tiles).
- An effective way to introduce patterned tiles is to set them between parallel moulding strips to form a decorative border.
- Décor tiles can be inserted randomly across plain tiling. Choose the plain tiles from the same range as the décors.
- For discreet pattern, go for white on white.
- Decorated tiles are more expensive than plain ones so if you're on a budget, restrict them to one area, such as the cooker wall.



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1 Hand-painted English Delft tiles 13cm sq: flower décor tiles, £19.95 each; corner decorated tiles, £6.75 each, Fired Earth. **2 Two-tile fish panels**, W26cm x H13cm, in six designs in charcoal, brown or blue on antique white or cream, £34.92, Contemporary Classics by Marlborough Tiles. **3 Moulded** tiles in four Sixpence Birds, 13cm sq, £16.40 each; border tiles, £4.75 each, Impressions by Tiles of Stow. **4 Tulip panels**, each of three 10cm sq tiles, £56.40, from 17th-century paintings, Jill Campion. **5 Botanicals** tiles, 13.5cm sq, in charcoal on antique white, gold or platinum: gold and platinum, £26.72 each; non-metallic, £13.32 each, Platinum Collection by Welbeck Tiles. **6 Square design, white-on-white** tile, 6in sq, £3.05 each, from a design by William De Morgan, V&A Tile Collection by CP Group. **7 Roman capital on Palomino ground** décor tile, 13cm sq, £8.95 each; Cosmopolitan Truffle field tiles, £69.62 sq m, Residence Collection, The Winchester Tile Company. **8 Erin design, white-on-white** tile, W248mm x L398mm, £27.73 sq m, Laura Ashley Collection at British Ceramic Tile. **For stockist and contact details, turn to page 168**