

Decorator's Notebook



Giving Your Child's Room The Vibrant Feel Of A Speedway

(NAPSA)—If you're trying to get up to "speed" with decorative ideas for your child's room, a collection of beloved characters can help kick plans into high gear.

Racing out of Radiator Springs and into youngsters' hearts are the animated vehicles who populated the hit Disney*Pixar film "Cars." And now these colorful creations can be part of a kid-friendly décor, from the fiery red of rookie racer Lightning McQueen to the deep blue of Doc Hudson to the bright purple of the mechanic Ramone.

Since 2003, Behr Paints has helped families create imagination-filled children's rooms with Disney Color by Behr. This unique color system was inspired by Disney and Disney*Pixar characters, and contains a collection of Inspiration Cards with room decorating ideas and easy-to-follow instructions.

Speedway Walls And Ceiling

Here's one idea for giving a child's room the vibrant feel of a racetrack, to help him or her feel like a Piston Cup champion:

- Start on the top left corner of one wall and mark a spot 6" from the ceiling. In the center, mark a spot 9" from the ceiling. On the right side, mark a spot 12" from the ceiling. On the wall to your right, mark several spots 12" from the ceiling. On the adjacent wall, start on the top left corner and mark a spot 12" from the ceiling. In the center, mark a spot 15" from the ceiling. On the right side, mark a spot 18" from the ceiling.



This bedroom will have kids racing off to sleep, to dream of life in Radiator Springs.

On the last wall, mark several spots 18" down from the ceiling. On each wall, tape a string from one end and overlay it on the pencil marks, stretching it horizontally to the other end of the wall and tape. Using the string as a guide, mask with painters tape across the walls.

- Paint top walls "100 Acre Sky." Paint bottom walls "Three Cheers for Pooh." Let dry.

- To create a checkered pattern, use the bottom line of the blue wall color as your guide. Mask off 3" above and below this to create a 6" border. Paint "Main Street Lights." Let dry. Divide this section in half horizontally. In the top half, mask off rectangles and paint every other one "Galaxy Black." Let dry. Repeat for bottom half.

The Inspiration Card also features other easy-to-follow project ideas, including fun accents like pit crew cabinets, a checkered flag cabinet, Motorama mirror and Luigi's Pit Crew Vanity, for creat-



A number of easy-to-follow projects can help give a child's room the feel of a speedway.

ing the finest pit stop in the 50 states—fueled with style. In addition, with Route 66 garage-themed signs, hanging lights, towel hook and floor tiles, even Sarge's Surplus Hut would be proud.

Remember, with a little paint and a bit of creativity, you can help your kids feel like they're reliving the magic of Lightning McQueen's fast-paced journey every day. Disney Colors are available exclusively in Behr Premium Paint at The Home Depot stores nationwide. Accessories and furniture featured on the Inspiration Card can be found on www.HomeDepot.com or www.disneyhome.com.