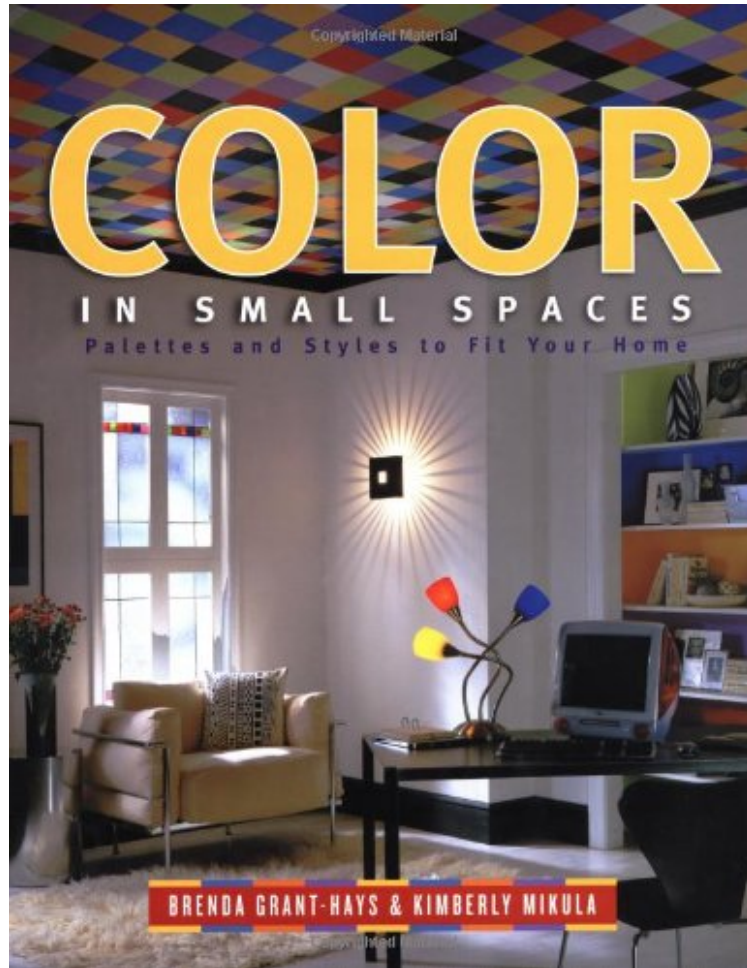


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11 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Last of 7 "small decor" books ratedBy Carol DeChantI am irked at this book's deceptive marketing. Unlike other "small space" books, these authors withhold sq-footage measures, but-DUH!-the photos reveal HUGE rooms. Not a trick of the camera, nor an illustration of how their use of color "expands," a typical "small" bedroom featured here accommodates a K-size bed + 3-cushion sofa + huge fireplace + museum size oil paintings swagged draperies fit for a palace. A living room "seating area" has a 3-cushion sofa + love seat + 3 large upholstered chairs + a day bed + a rocker, all spread around a coffee table big enough to accommodate the 11 people sitting there. Perhaps "small" is relative. My small 3-BR condo is 1400 sq. ft. The average US apt. is 800 sq ft. So if 4,000 sq ft is "small" to you, buy this book, but you'll find color charts that any paint store has, and poor

reproduction of colors in the photos. Better yet, buy any decorating mag at the grocery store: even average rooms shown will be smaller than the "smallest" in this book. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. UsefulBy I. Betancourt Recently took an Interior Design class and this book has been very helpful to understand color in decoration. The pictures a little old so it could be great if the authors update it. The theory, very useful though!!! 13 of 15 people found the following review helpful. misguidedBy Kindle Customer While I agree with the people who have already reviewed this book that the pictures are very good, and the colors combinations are good, I would not say that the authors were guided by the concepts of small spaces that are in the real world. Most of the rooms depicted were hardly the 12x13 bedroom one finds in real homes, or the 8x10 real people kitchen. Most of the rooms looked as though there were very few limitations of space or budget....Hardly what I expected from the title.

A resource for the professional designer or DIY enthusiast. It covers information on colour mixing, paint and wallpaper selection, dimensioning and light. It shows the effects of colour in natural and artificial light, and the dimensional effects of colours.

Whether you have a studio apartment or a big home, your space can be maximized to look larger. The authors are also interior designers, and they realize the decorative challenges of small spaces. Elements like color and lighting have enough impact to alter perceptions of a room's size. This clever book has the tips, techniques and insights to help you plan color schemes that will reflect your personality and make small spaces open up. (Country Decorating Ideas 2004-05-05) From the Inside Flap **COLOR YOUR WORLD** You want your home to be beautiful, functional, and a reflection of who you are. Add the challenge of working with a small space, and the task of choosing the right colors and styles seems daunting. Where do you start? **Color in Small Spaces: Palettes and Styles to Fit Your Home** unlocks the mysteries of how to use color to bring life to small spaces. 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