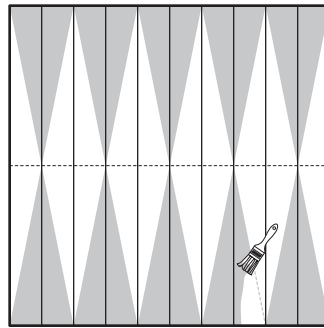
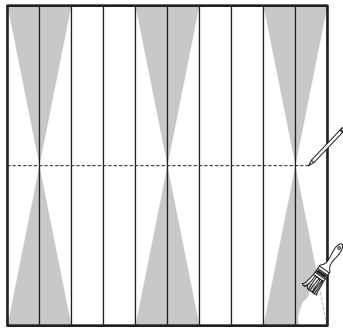


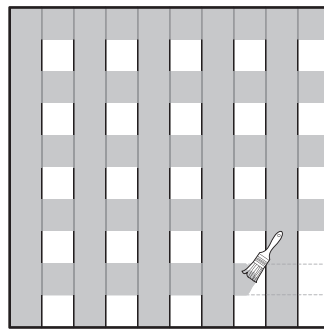
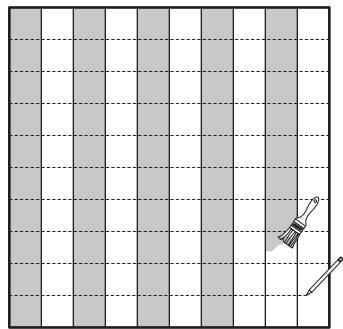
## Eye-Catching Patterns

We made these examples on a five-by-five-foot area, using the six-inch-wide floorboards to guide our design, but you can adjust and repeat these designs to work with your particular space and floorboard size.



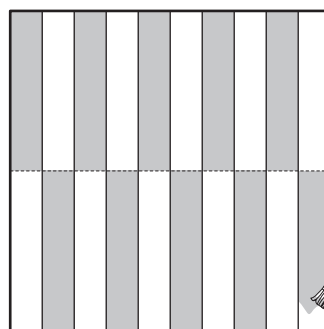
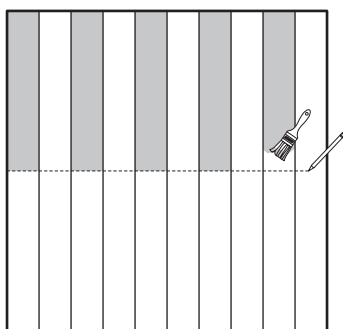
### LONG DIAMONDS

1. Paint the floor in the base color; let dry completely.
2. Mark the midpoint of your area (a china marker works well and comes off easily), perpendicular to the floorboards.
3. Establish the widest part of each diamond; we used the width of two floorboards.
4. Tape off and paint alternating sections.
5. Tape off the V sections above and below the midpoint; paint and let dry completely.
6. Repeat the process on alternating sections.



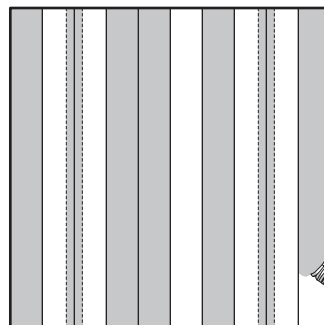
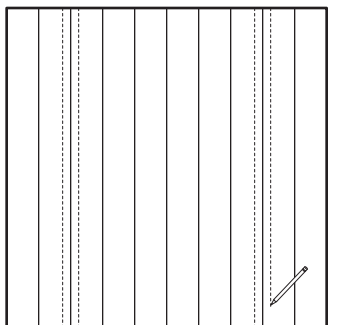
### CHECKERBOARD

1. Paint the floor in the base color; let dry completely.
2. Tape off alternating floorboards.
3. Paint with the second color; let dry completely.
4. Tape off alternating stripes, perpendicular to the existing ones.
5. Paint again with the second color.



### ALTERNATING STRIPES

1. Paint the floor in the base color; let dry completely.
2. Find the midpoint of your area, perpendicular to the floorboards.
3. Tape below the midpoint of the side you will be painting first.
4. Tape off alternating floorboards (or, if not using floorboards as a guide, or if they're not all the same width, tape off 6-inch alternating sections).
5. Paint with the second color; let dry completely.
6. Repeat the process on the other side of the midpoint.



### VARIED STRIPES

1. Paint the floor in the base color; let dry completely.
2. With painters' tape, mark off the individual floorboards to create stripes of varying thickness.
3. Paint with the second color; let dry completely.
4. To make the thin strip, tape off a 2-inch area, 1 inch on either side of the seam of the floorboards.

