

CHOOSING COLOR FOR YOUR HOME



Creating a space that is comfortable, functional and aesthetically pleasing will make your professional and personal life flourish. Color is one of the key ingredients to making an environment beautiful. It is important to be aware of the effect color creates prior to designing a room or an entire home.

For example, red is a stimulating color and a little bit goes a long way. Red encourages action and gives the space a surge of energy. That is why so many fast food restaurants use the color red; they don't want you hanging around too long.

On the other hand, yellow is an uplifting color and encourages communication. Remember the yellow kitchens during the 1950's? The kitchen was the communication center. This was long before the great room concept was popular.

Blues and greens are soothing colors that encourages peaceful feelings. For this reason, these colors are used in many hospital rooms and medical offices.

Colors come in neutral and dynamic tones. Neutrals are generally used for the basic wall colors and dramatic colors (usually your favorites) are what bring your personality and lifestyle into the picture. Look at nature and see how the placement of dramatic color changes an entire space and creates balance.

All rooms are not created equal. Natural light from the placement of windows can totally change the value of the paint color from one room to another. In addition, a room will take on a different personality in the day and in the evening.

Most new homes have lots of windows. Do you have a beautiful scenic backyard or do you want your eye movement to stay within the confines of your home. If you have a beautiful backyard, you most likely would want your wall color and window coverings to enhance your view-not detract from it.

Your home is your special space. Choose colors that you enjoy and take the time to make your home a place you love.

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