

Color Made Easy

Design industry experts are always ready to point you toward today's stylish shades. Following their advice could make selecting the right color less overwhelming than sifting through thousands of paint swatches.

Catalog Clues: Popular furniture and home décor retailer Pottery Barn has created seasonal color palettes that tie into the most current home furnishing trends. Palettes change annually. *(paint by Sherwin-Williams)*

Check out the trends. The 2017 Color Trends palette by BEHR organizes the latest trends by mood: comfortable, composed or confident.



The maker of the widely-used Pantone color deck (*a tool of the designing trade*) forecasts the most influential color trends in home and fashion designs for each new season. The company has named a fresh and cheery "Greenery" the 2017 color of the year.

Consult a Local Pro: It wouldn't take long for an interior designer in your area to help narrow the range of choices and identify good candidates for your particular space. If you're sticking with neutrals, ask your paint dealer to point out their best-selling shades.

There's an App for That:

Several companies offer cool paint matching apps that let you use your smartphone to snap a photo and identify the perfect shade. You can also save and share your own favorites.

Sherwin-Williams' ColorSnap® (for iPhone and Android platforms)

Benjamin Moore's Color Capture (for iPhone and Android platforms)

ColorSmart® by BEHR (for iPhone and Android platforms)



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What are Homeowners Planning?

The majority of homeowners feel they're halfway to achieving their vision for their home.

44% of homeowners plan on completely overhauling their homes.

36% of homeowners plan to just refresh the existing décor.

Neutrals are classic and always popular

75% of homeowners over the age of **35** and **64%** under age **35** plan to use a soft and neutral color scheme for their projects.

54% of urban homeowners and **42%** of suburban homeowners incorporate color with accent walls.

Popular rooms for accent walls:

57% Study or home office

55% Children's bedroom

52% Master bedroom

Source: Houzz, Houzz Decorating Trends Study