



# Home Fashion Design Trends

## 2014 Trends to Try

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**D**ESIGN TRENDS FOR THE HOME are similar to fashion trends: they change from season to season but have some carry-over effect from one season to the next. Many clients ask me about current trends and how to best incorporate them into their homes. A good place to start is to identify your own design aesthetic, and then layer your home with accessories and smaller furniture accents to reflect the trends that resonate with you.

Whenever you are purchasing large key items for your home, such as upholstery pieces, consider choosing neutral fabrics with simple patterns that can be updated or changed either seasonally or periodically with pillows or other accessories to reflect current trends. Smaller accent pieces are another area where you can be more daring; chairs or ottomans in a great color or pattern, for example, can bring your room to life.



**HERE ARE SOME KEY HOME FASHION TRENDS TO TRY FOR 2014:**

### COLOR COLOR COLOR:

The colors we are seeing for spring include soft pastels like radiant orchid, a soft purple amethyst color that was named the color of the year by Pantone. Look for a selection of pastels to coordinate with this soft color, as well as saturated colors like green, blue, orange, hot pink or a deep rich red. Blue in a range of shades continues to be important this year; from peacock blue to cobalt and navy; this color continues to shine. Expect to see these colors on the fashion runways as well as in the home furnishings market.

A few simple ways to make updates to your home are with paint and accessories. Consider painting accent walls to add a burst of color into your color scheme. TJ Maxx and Target are great places to find interesting pieces that will update your colors and add visual interest for a small investment. Try combining color trends with your favorite colors to keep it your own.

### ORGANIC CHIC:

The eco-friendly trend continues with down to earth materials incorporating animal prints, mother of pearl, shagreen, faux fur, agate and crystal. For those who really want to be on-trend, the hair-on-hide pieces have made the leap from the floor to ottomans as well as other furniture pieces including chairs, but don't forget your lint brush! These simple, organic items are being paired with rich finishes to create an elegant feel.

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