

What Is Your Style?

(Note: You may find you fit just one or more than one!)

- **Contemporary/Modern/Streamlined**
 - You might like a contemporary style of decorating if you like to keep current with styles, enjoy things that are modern, of today, right now. Fundamental, simplicity, subtle sophistication, texture and clean lines help to define contemporary style decorating. Interiors showcase space rather than things. By focusing on color, space, and shape, contemporary interiors are sleek and fresh.
- **Traditional**
 - Traditional style interiors are comforting and classic. You may have grown up in a home that was decorated with traditional style furnishings. Traditional decorating is calm, orderly, and predictable. There is nothing wild or chaotic in a traditional room. Furnishings are classic and might feel outdated. The overall ambiance of traditional decor is homey, understated, and non-jarring.
- **French Country**
 - While there are many elements that contribute to the French Country style of decorating, the resulting look is rustic, old-world, and welcoming. The look fits well into both country houses and elegant, old chateaux. Colors used to decorate in the French Country style come from the full spectrum of the color wheel. Sunny yellow and soft gold, fiery red and burnt rust, bright grass green and dark hunter green, cobalt blue and soft ocean tones -- all these are found in this decorating style.
- **Tuscan**
 - Homes decorated in the Tuscan decorating style are inspired by the elements of nature. Crumbling stone walls, intricate wrought iron accessories, sun-washed hillsides, rustic stone farmhouses, marble flooring and sturdy hardwood furniture are just some of the wonderful elements of this decorating style. The appeal is in its simplicity. By combining comfortable, worn, loved pieces, a room becomes warm and inviting. There's no attempt at pretense here.
- **Western**
 - Whether you call it Western, rustic, cowboy, cabin, or mountain style, this is a look that is as timeless as the American West. An abundance of natural materials is key to decorating in a Western style. Rock, wood, metal, and leather are the main ingredients, with wool, birch bark, beadwork, and antlers playing an important secondary role. Western style furniture is often large scale, made of wood, and without any fussy detail. Log furniture, Mission style furnishings, and twig pieces can be mixed with pine and oak.
- **Shabby Chic**
 - Shabby Chic® is a comfortable, casual decorating style with a look that uses vintage accessories, pastels, and comfortable furniture. While people have been living with old lace tablecloths, dreamy soft floral fabrics, light painted furniture, wrought iron curtain rods with filmy sheer curtains, and colorful fresh flowers for a long time, Rachel Ashwell identified this style of decorating and named it Shabby Chic®. Shabby Chic® is no particular style, but rather balances elegant things with old and worn, shiny silver accessories with painted wooden tables, soft throw rugs with rough old lace.
- **Casual**
 - Casual rooms have simple details, textured elements in fabrics and accessories, restful horizontal lines, soft upholstery, low-luster surfaces, and arrangements that avoid perfect symmetry. Details are simple, and elements are rectangular or softly curved.
- **Formal**
 - If you love the look of elegant Ritz-Carlton hotels or public buildings such as the White House, you're probably drawn to their formal style of decorating. While homes today are

not usually constructed with 18" deep baseboard moldings, hand-laid herringbone-patterned hardwood floors, or elaborate carved plaster ceiling and wall decorations, there are elements of the formal style of decorating that can be added to more modern homes. One of the most distinguishing features of interior spaces and homes decorated in a formal style is the symmetry of windows, furniture, artwork, and flooring. These elements are most often arranged in exact pairs on a straight axis around the room. In a formal style interior, a central focal point draws the eye.

- Rustic
 - One of the fastest ways to add a dose of interest to a home is to bring in some texture. Rustic furnishings do that with charm and style. Rustic used to mean 'rickety and cheap', but rustic style is all grown up and now borders on sophisticated and trendy. Beautiful woods, polished logs, and twiggy charm has made rustic one of the most popular styles in the market today.
 - Art Deco
 - Art Deco style was developed following World War I, offering people a glamorous style for a new era. The excitement and optimism of post-war Europe and America formed the basis for this glamorous and elegant style of decorating. Art Deco style blended fashion, architecture, fabric and jewelry design, furniture, and interior design with sleek, smooth lines. It combined modern materials, movement, and the industrial trends of the time. Think Empire State building and gilded sunburst mirrors.
 - Art Nouveau
 - The Art Nouveau style began in the last decade of the 19th century. People were afraid that industrialization would overcome the work of the true artist. The Art Nouveau style was influenced by people such as Frank Lloyd Wright in America, Charles Mackintosh in Scotland and William Morris in England. Shape and form were very important, because with fewer objects in the room and simpler backgrounds, each object became more significant. The curved form of natural objects was offset against strong vertical and horizontal lines. Although a number of buildings were designed in this style, its main effect was in the interiors of existing buildings and homes. One thing you'll often notice in a room decorated in the style of Art Nouveau is the use of stylized flowers, leaves and stems. Printed wallpaper, which was now much cheaper because of the use of mass production, frequently made use of this type of decoration.
 - Transitional
 - As a blend of traditional and contemporary styles, transitional rooms feature an elegant, enduring design. This distinctive style radiates a comfortable yet classic feel that is growing in popularity. Color palettes are very subtle with an emphasis on ivory, taupe, beige, and tan. This simple color scheme is relaxing and uncomplicated. Wood tones from warm browns to chocolates are typically the only deep tones used. To complement the monochromatic color scheme, accessories are kept to a minimum. Tasteful, signature pieces are displayed without much fanfare.
 - Other
 - (There are many other design styles, but this covers most of major styles.)
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- Are there any specific colors you have in-mind for the project? If so, please explain & if you would like for the colors to be in a specific place.