

Shads Interior Design: 2015 Trending

The new year brings a fresh season of change and an opportunity to reinvent yourself and your surroundings. 2015 is proving to be a year for growth and new directions, and we are all ready for a fresh start. At Shads Interior, we understand the excitement of welcoming the new, so we have gathered some interior design trends for the year ahead that will stand the test of time. Whether you refresh your home or office frequently or are simply looking to update your furnishings, Shads Interior Design has something for everyone. We invite you to explore the many motifs, colors, and designs of 2015 to see if this is the year you create a space that will impress you and your guests.

Modern Traditional or Transitional

If you are looking for simple, elegant, yet boldly modern interior design, the modern traditional style might be just what you're seeking. Modern Traditional style brings together traditional and modern furniture, finishes, materials, and fabrics. The result is an elegant, enduring design that is both comfortable and classic. With their simple lines, Asian, Shaker, and Mission-style furnishings are often a natural complement for Modern Traditional interior design.

Traditional design, as its name suggests, has a long history in interior design for good reason: It works with smooth curves and large spaces, typically focusing on a single point of interest with neutral tones to highlight the piece. Modern design is often used in smaller spaces, using straight lines and a wider range of colors to make the room feel more open and spacious. The combination of these two styles creates a work of art, bringing different eras and elements together in a single room and touching on the duality of design concepts. When done properly, Modern Traditional design can be incorporated into any space with style, grace, and poise, while maintaining an edginess that cannot be achieved with any other combination.

Whereas traditional and modern schemes may introduce a few contrasting elements in their designs, Modern Traditional style finds the perfect middle ground between the two. Through its simple lines, neutral color palette, and use of light and warmth, Modern Traditional style combines the best of both the traditional and modern worlds. If traditional feels too rigid and modern too bold, try a subtle combination of the two and watch your home become a beautiful example of elegance that will remain fashionable and relevant for years to come.

Grey: The New Beige

Believe it or not, there's more than 50 shades of grey, and each one can be used to contrast with almost any color and style. These cool, calming colors work well as a muted tone but can be brightened quickly, offering you the option to change your look without having to repaint a room each time you introduce a new scheme into your home. Grey is not only versatile, interesting, and beautiful, but it is also a great alternative to the traditional, and at times mundane, beige, allowing your style to grow and evolve with the times while still remaining sophisticated.

Greys can feel warm and cozy or cool and sleek depending on the finishes and complementary tones in the room's color palette. This color range can be used in any style of

interior, and because beige has been so prominent for so long, grey interiors often have an "edge" that makes them feel more unique and contemporary. Decorating with grey is an easy and popular choice because of its versatility in providing a more dramatic color compared to other neutrals. Grey works in all room settings, from traditional spaces with dark wood furniture to ultra-modern spaces with sleek stainless steel furniture.

With their different undertones, grey can be a warm or cool color, so select according to your style. For example, white trim, silver, brushed nickel, and stainless steel pair well with cool greys, whereas pewter, iron, and oil-rubbed bronze work well with warm greys. Paint different samples on your wall and be sure to look at the colors in the morning and in the evening before you make a final decision. If you prefer a do-it-yourself approach and plan to introduce refurbished pieces into your home or office over the next few years, grey is a wonderful color palette to build from over time.

Crazy for Cobalt

For those who embrace bold and daring colors that can remain elegant and sophisticated or fun and exciting, Shads Interior Design is truly captivated by cobalt this season. The use of blues can be paired with almost any style and will liven any room. Cobalt is at the top of the blues list for its rich, deep, and unique hue, as well as its ability to be used either sparingly or as a dramatic motif. Once you see cobalt, your mind will be transported to a calm, cool place where colors run wild, and you are in control of the color palette.

Any room can benefit from the exciting use of cobalt, from the bedroom to the kitchen. From tiles to paint to small touches throughout furniture and fabrics, cobalt is a strong color that commands attention. Whether you decide on a painting, dining set, or rug as the focal point to design the room around, varying shades of blues can be incorporated into any style or design with the right eye for potential. Cobalt will add daring and dazzle to any space, giving even the most seemingly mundane rooms a life of their own.

Blue is a powerful color that can evoke many feelings, from nautical navies to dynamic cobalts. The only challenge is that there are so many shades of blue that look fantastic in your home, it becomes difficult to decide on just one. Blues pair perfectly with pops of dramatic color, such as oranges, greens, and a range of other colors that will capture your attention in a sea of blue. When brought together by our expert design team, cobalt blue may be the precise touch you have been searching for. If you want to express yourself through dramatic color but aren't sure which direction to go, try experimenting with blues, especially cobalt, and discover what your dreams can create in any space.

Marsala: The Pantone Color of the Year

Pantone is the leading authority on colors and the creators of the Pantone Matching System, a unique system designed to pair colors for everything from interior design to magazine themes. If you have ever noticed a surge of certain color schemes, you can be sure that Pantone has had something to do with it. This year, the company has named Marsala as the leading color for design

across the board, and it's not hard to understand why. Just one look at a space designed around Marsala, and you will be imagining your own room in no time.

A naturally rich and earthy wine red, Marsala encourages color creativity and experimentation. Both dramatic and grounding, the rich and full-bodied red-brown Marsala brings color warmth into home interiors. Flattering against many skin tones, sultry, and subtle, Marsala is a wonderful color for beauty products, providing a beautiful highlight for the cheek and a captivating pop of color for nails, shadows, lips, and hair. If you are planning to entertain once your design dreams are fulfilled, Marsala will not only make your home feel more lively, but it can also be used to your advantage as a host, allowing you to create contrast and stand out as the fun, sophisticated entertainer you are.

As an earthy shade with a bit of sophistication, texture is the story in print and packaging. A matte finish will highlight Marsala's organic nature, while adding a sheen conveys a completely different message of glamour and luxury. Marsala shades work well in traditional or transitional spaces when paired with other warm hues, such as reds, yellows, oranges, and true browns. You can also achieve more contrast by combining Marsala with white painted trim and woodwork. This combination gives the room a crisp, clean look and lets beautiful wood details truly stand out.

Use Marsala sparingly, in niches, nooks, and built-in cabinetry. The less you use of it, the more versatile the color will be, which means you can more easily bring in other hues you love without overdoing it on color. It also allows for small amounts of color to be changed more fluidly in the future should you desire a different look. If you are the type of person who will continually be modifying, changing, and rearranging your space, this is the color you have been waiting for. It is easy to use and so flexible, regardless of which direction you are headed today or tomorrow. With so many options, it's no wonder that Pantone chose Marsala as the color of the year.

Metallics

Nothing brings a room to life in a more sublime way than a little twinkle, sparkle, or shine. The use of metallics offers an opportunity to convey a statement of glamour, elegance, or sophistication while creating a deep interest in your interior space. If you have been searching for that perfect detail that will complement any design style in furnishings, metallics are certainly here to stay. That said, it is highly advisable to let Shads Interior Design consult with you in your home and help you decide what will work and what will not. While metallics can be a beautiful addition to almost any home design, improper use can lead to disaster and make a completely different statement than intended.

Everything from walls to furniture to fabrics can incorporate metallics as an elegant design theme for any space. Overuse can quickly become tacky, but the proper balance of metallics, which can be best demonstrated by visiting one of our showrooms, has the power to transform an ordinary space into a room that can only be described as stunning. The care and caution required when decorating with metallics will make you appear to be an interior design expert to your friends and have you returning again and again to admire your new room.

While chrome and stainless steel are metallics that have dominated kitchen design for decades, it is time for them to make room for bold new tones. 2015 is the perfect opportunity for warmer iridescent tones such as gold, copper, and bronze to have their moment. A little goes a long way, and adding a metallic accent shows edginess while still remaining classic—as long as you know how to do it correctly. Without our expert design team to help you along the way, what was meant to be a majestic space could quickly become a tin foil nightmare.

Animal Prints

When it comes to using prints in your home, animal patterns are back in the spotlight. The subtle and bold use of animal prints can either bring a room to life or simply add a touch of flair to an otherwise plain room. This can be a simple way to add style, color, and key points of interest, or an opportunity to fully immerse yourself and your guests in another dimension—when used properly, of course.

Adding a bit of fresh excitement from faraway lands can break up bland interiors and, if authentic, can be fantastic conversation pieces. So if you see a cushion, print, or covering brimming with culture this year, do not hesitate. We are now seeing hides move up from the floor and onto couches, settees, consoles, tables, and cushions. Of course, hides come with a level of controversy. There are strong voices that speak out against using animal skin; however, there are now humane ways of obtaining hides that would have been otherwise wasted. If real animal skins are not for you, there are designers who can recreate almost any hide to look incredibly lifelike. While faux fur may not quite measure up to the real thing, for the right price you can purchase a hide that is close enough for your tastes.

The colors you use in your room will change significantly depending on the animal print you choose. Before you decide on a color palette, make sure you have a clear idea of the patterns you will be placing next to these colors. Animal prints typically pair best with warm, muted colors, but can also be placed in a bright room with touches of contrasting color when used in moderation. It is important to carefully consider the balance to avoid the space from becoming too busy or losing the central point of the animal prints.

Do not be afraid to experiment with new things. You just have to know how to incorporate animal prints into your space. You can make an animal print your central piece in the room, making it both bold and playful, or if you want to create a room that stands out from the crowd, you can incorporate these prints throughout your style. Because of their dominant and expressive nature, these patterns can be inviting and comforting at the same time. You can mix different kinds of animal prints, but make sure you do not overdo it. Because of their powerful and vibrant characters, using just one or two pieces of animal print is often enough.

A Few More Trends...

If you are planning to redesign your home or office this season, you will most certainly come across a few of these names while doing your research. The following are designers that Shads Interior Design considers to be of honorable mention, and ones that you will definitely see

for years to come. Regardless of the plans for your home, one of these unique and sophisticated designers will surely have a piece to offer that will bring any room together.

2015 Top Designers: Caracole Couture, Wesley Hall, Julie Dasher Rugs, Capel Rugs, Taylor King, Theodore Alexander, Nathan Anthony, David Francis, Jaxon by Victoria Righter, Dunes and Duchess, Van Collier, Worlds Away, Hancock & Moore, Moore Councill, & Arteriors.

Make sure to keep an eye out for these designers and take a moment to browse their collections if you see something you like. Even if you decide against using these lines, any number of pieces on display can likely spark an idea for your perfect design space. It never hurts to see what these great minds have created to start you in the right direction. You may even find the perfect central piece you have been waiting for to begin a complete transformation on a long-awaited room design.

Regardless of which direction you choose when designing or redesigning your home or office, let Shads Interior Design help you reach the full potential of any space you wish to see transformed. Our expert team of designers will be there for you every step of the way and help you make important decisions while steering you away from potential design disasters. There is an elegant balance to every theme, bringing together style, sophistication, and a feeling that is uniquely you. At Shads Interior, we take pride in our ability to guide you through the process and help you reach conclusions that will satisfy you and last a lifetime.

Celebrating 40 years of spectacular interior design, Shads Interior Design has a record of excellence and customer satisfaction that is second to none. Whether your style is modern and edgy, traditional and chic, or a combination of the two, Shads Interior Design is more than ready to walk you through every option available until you are thrilled with the outcome of your new space. If you aren't sure of your own design style, our professional team of designers is ready to help you uncover your hidden flair for the exceptional. With two locations in Boca Raton and Jupiter, Florida, feel free to stop by one of our showrooms and discuss your dreams with an expert in the field. We look forward to meeting with you and turning your space into a designer's paradise.