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Different Types and Designs of

Wall Paints





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Types of Wall Paints

In this section, you can know more about the different types and designs of paints. Whether you are preparing for your marriage apartment or you are moving to a new home, the first thing that comes to your mind is how to choose the right colors for the area of your apartment, and what are the most modern wall paints, and which designs and types of paints will suit your home?

So we have brought to you in this article various types and designs of paints, while showing their pros and cons, along with the latest designs of paints and wallpaper for 2022.

Know more about different types of wall paints

There are several types of paints and ways to paint the walls. In this article, we have provided you with diverse types of paints, while displaying the pros and cons of each type, as follows:





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1-Plastic Paint

<div>Pros</div> <p>Plastic paint is the common type of paint for wall paints, and it is preferred due to its fast drying, ease of use, and smoothness on the wall, lower cost, and availability in all shades of colors.</p>	<div>Cons</div> <p>Plastic paint does not actually tolerate water nor moisture; therefore it must be cleaned with extreme care to avoid stains and paint spoil.</p>
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2-Lime Paint

<div>Pros</div> <p>It is one of the oldest methods of wall paintings and its main component is “pure lime”. It features its ease of use, lower cost, and quick preparation.</p>	<div>Cons</div> <p>Lime paint does not work out with water and gets severely affected by moisture, and has a short shelf life.</p>
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3-Oil Paint

Pros	Cons
Oil paint is one of the most expensive and best types of paint used for the wall. It is characterized by its tolerance to moisture, cold and heat factors, and the possibility of cleaning it with water.	The major disadvantages are actually its higher prices than plastic and other types. its color changes after a while, and its availability in a mere limited number of shades and colors.

4-Wallpaper

Pros	Cons
Wallpaper is a popular choice in this period as an alternative to the wall paint. It is characterized by its quick installation and availability in many designs and colors, as well as, it is a modern choice for renovation lovers.	A drawback of wallpaper is that it peels off if exposed to moisture or water. Moreover, it can be damaged as a result of friction with the wall, and it can be completely in the event of a fire.



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What are the kinds of designs for wall paints?

Decor experts have invented several designs for wall paints. Here are the most important designs for paints and coatings:

Swahili Marcopolo Paint

Marcopolo is a far-famed wall paint design, and is best known for providing the shape of shade for painting on the wall. It is a luxurious design that gives a sparkling look to the wall, and it can be applied in various shades and colors.

Ortigo Paint

It is a type of design that gives a soft feel like a plush to the wall.

Marble Paint

It is a paint designed with a layer of marble on it to give a luxurious marble touch and appearance. This design is often applied to one prominent wall in the room due to its high cost. Additionally, it is also available in several colors and brands.

Velvet Paint

It is a kind of design for wall paint, and gives a velvety touch and appearance to the wall. This design usually fits the living rooms and salons. Furthermore, it is available in a myriad of color shades.

Aging Paint

It is one of the most valuable designs for walls, and the most famous type of which is random or arranged stone





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Types of floorings

Ceramic, parquet or marble





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Types of floorings : Ceramic, parquet or marble

1-Ceramic Flooring

Ceramics are the most common, with porcelain and stone included in certain proportions and frequently used in bathrooms and kitchens, because they are not electrical conductors and also suitable for all home facilities.

Ceramics' features:

- Easy cleaning and polishing.
- Resists chemicals very efficiently and is seldom affected or damaged by them.
- Resists moisture and heat and keeps the house temperature low.
- It is abundant and has many shapes and colors, giving you more room to choose.
- Available in various prices to suit all needs.
- Very suitable for small spaces.

Ceramics' disadvantages:

- Helps reduce house temperature.
- Some species may be affected by dust, especially the dark colored, which must be chosen care
- May not be suitable for covering large areas, especially in salon rooms.





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2-Parquet Flooring

The parquet is the most luxurious type of flooring. It is slices of thick wood in different colors and shapes to satisfy all tastes.

It often consists of four layers:

- The first layer to ensure the integrity of the surface.
- The second layer is to isolate heat and moisture.
- The third layer is colored parquet.
- The fourth layer is transparent, adding shine and protecting wood.

The parquet gives a luxurious aesthetic look, and fits in with classic house or office decoration.

Parquet features:

- Parquet can live as long as 40 years.
- It is easy to restore and paste again if affected by frequent use.
- The parquet gives a beautiful aesthetic appearance, and adds elegance and luxury to the place.
- Very suitable for luxurious classic salon rooms.
- Gives a feeling of a warm house.
- It is available in non-flammable and very safe for children.
- Most species are easy to move if the house is left.

Parquet disadvantages:

- Parquet cost is high compared to other types of floorings.
- The parquet requires a very sophisticated technician to install it, because the presence of voids causes him to make a disturbing sound in the case of improper installation.
- It needs a certain cleaning fluid after vacuuming the dust.
- Not suitable for continuous cleaning with water because it damages it.
- It should be dried and immediately cleaned in case liquid is spilled on it in order not to be damaged.





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3-Marble Flooring

Marble is one of the most luxurious and famous types of floorings. It has high glossiness compared to the rest of the types; therefore, it is used in places that require more luxury. Marble is a natural stone that is extracted and used.

It is also famous for its veining or spreading in different shapes and colors, making each piece a unique painting.

Marble features:

- Marble has a high glossiness, which gives the place a high level of luxury.
- Various shapes and colors of marble are available to choose from.
- Marble is one of the strongest types of floors and resists corrosion.
- Some types of marble allow light to pass or give a great reflection.
- It can come with wonderful designs using cutting machines (Water Jet Cutting).
- The ease of clearing the marble to remove the sediments.

Marble disadvantages:

- Relatively high in prices compared to ceramic.
- Easy to spot when installing due to mortar water.
- Spills of food or drinks can cause stains that cannot be removed.
- Soft polished marble is a slippery floor.





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Types and Designs of

House Ceilings





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Types and Designs of House Ceilings

Recently, ceilings have been developed to be used as a decoration after it was only the main protector of the house. Hence, interior design experts have invented many different ceiling designs, in materials and shapes.

Ceiling types are divided into two types under which several designs are listed:

1. The basic (structural) ceiling.
2. Suspended ceiling.

1-Basic (structural) ceiling

It is the basic ceiling in the house and is used to protect the house. There are types and patterns that fall under the name of the structural ceiling, such as:

→ The concrete ceiling

It is the most popular type of ceiling in modern times, and it has become used mostly in most residential and administrative buildings.

Advantages

- It is characterized by hardness and durability because it consists of iron ores and cement.
- It can be used without making suspended ceilings, and be decorated with decorations and lighting.

Disadvantages

- High cost.
- Unsuitable in cold places, especially where snow falls, so the wooden roof replaces it.





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→ The wooden ceiling

It is a kind of home ceiling made of solid wood. This type of roof is commonly used in foreign countries, especially in these countries covered by snow, because the wood does not interact with the cold weather, which keeps the house warm throughout the winter.

Advantages

- Gives an aesthetic appearance to the home.
- It helps to keep the house warm in the winter season, as it does not interact with the cold.

Disadvantages

- Not suitable for high buildings and towers.
- Uncommonly used in Arab countries.





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2-Suspended ceiling

Suspended ceilings are considered a secondary choice that is used as aesthetic decorations for rooms, or to solve a design problem, such as the height and low of concrete ceilings, and other reasons.

Here are the latest and most popular types of decorative suspended ceilings

→ Metal suspended ceiling

- It consists of galvanized aluminum and iron sheet metal, but it is suitable for workplaces
- and commercial real estates, but it isn't suitable for house purposes.

→ Wooden suspended ceiling

- It is a wooden ceiling fixed to the main ceiling of the house by a wooden or metal beam, which gives an elegant view of the rooms. It also has a tangible effectiveness in heating rooms in winter, and it is only flawed by the difficulty of installing as well as its high cost.

→ Gypsum suspended ceiling

- They are suspended ceilings made of gypsum and affordable at reasonable prices. It suits a lot of home designs and it is easy to install, while it's only drawback is that it does not bear the weight of decor and lighting due to its low weight.





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Designs and types of light decors for home ceilings

There are many ways to decorate the roof of the house, whether with decorations and the implementation of suspended ceilings, or by using decorative lighting units. Here are the most prominent and latest lighting decorations used for home ceilings:

→ Flooding lighting decorations for ceilings

- It is a kind of ceiling lighting decoration that provides general lighting for the entire room. It suits all types of ceilings, including low ceilings, but it might be impractical for large rooms.

→ Track lighting decorations for ceilings

- It is a type of ceiling lighting decoration that is executed on a specific track, in order to highlight the details of objects in the rooms. It can be used in kitchen and bathroom ceilings.

→ Suspended lighting decorations for ceilings

- It suits low ceilings design, as it is a lighting installed inside the ceilings. It is also called the Leyden jar or lighting jar, because it does not dangle inside the room. This decoration of ceiling lighting is similar to the general lighting or illumination of specific tasks.

→ Chandelier and pendant lighting decorations

- It is a dual-function lighting decor, as it is used as a basic lighting and ambient lighting, to give an aesthetic appearance to the ceilings. The most beautiful place to install this design is above the dining table, and it also suits rooms with high ceilings.



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Tips You Need to Know Before

Buying New Furniture





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Tips You Need to Know Before Buying New Furniture

There are 5 important tips you need to know before buying new furniture for your home or renovating your existing furniture, and you should understand them well in order to find what you are looking for, and how to get a suitable offer to change your home furniture.

An idea that perhaps is not available to everyone is the used furniture. Buying used furniture does not mean that it is bad, because used furniture is often of good price and high quality in comparison to new furniture from exhibitions and others. This gives it a high priority.

So the idea of buying used furniture should not be excluded from your mind.





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In order not to waste a lot of time and money on the wrong choices, we introduce these steps that help you reduce losses before buying new furniture:

1.Search the Internet

You can start your search through the Internet to know the most famous and latest decor patterns on the one hand, and on the other hand to know the average prices. After researching for new touches in decor and furniture, you can think about not changing your home's furniture immediately.

2.Find the best way

After doing your research on the Internet to find out what is new in the world of decor and furniture and knowing the average prices in different locations, then you can compare them to the prices of markets and stores, and sometimes the average price varies between them, whether by increasing or decreasing. Compare between your findings the Internet websites and the markets, so you can make a list of what you want to buy based on quality and price.



Extra Tip

If you are going to choose the Internet, you should check the buyers' reviews of each item that you will buy to ensure its quality after use.





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3.Measure and photograph each room

You should measure the area of each room, whether you buy online or from the market.

Since size may be a major problem, especially if it is not suitable for the room, which could ruin the renovation plan.

If you are going to buy online, you should pay attention to the dimensions of each piece of furniture, even simple decor pieces, as photography may not be sufficient to estimate the size of the piece.

It is preferable to photograph the rooms, especially when buying from the markets, to help you visualize the general overview of the room in the end, and what you can buy and mix it with the furniture of your apartment to change its decor.

4.Use a friend

You can use your close friend before you make the buying step, and discuss your choices and perceptions about the decoration and colors.

It is a good idea to choose a friend who has a taste like yours so that you will not get distracted or confused.





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3. Focus on what you want

In order not to fall prey to dispersion, you must focus on what you want to change or buy.

This means that if you are only going to add some touches to the current decoration and have a budget for that only, after you do your research you should not change the idea and change the whole furniture.

You should focus completely on what you want and not to go beyond the budget.

4. Understand the furniture

If you are going to buy new furniture and decoration pieces, you must understand the material of each piece, so that you understand how to clean it and to know their life expectancy.

Be aware that when blending more than one type of decoration together, the final look does not necessarily look great, as this blending may spoil the overall look and make you uncomfortable.





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5.Imagine the final overall look

The most important thing that you must do before you make the buying step is to visualize the final shape of the room, with new and old furniture and decor, after mixing it with the colors of each room.

You can take enough time to understand the final overall look of the room, to see if the final shape is comfortable for you or if the room will be very crowded, making it difficult for you to move around, or that the colors and decor will not match with each other, which makes you very annoyed.

The step of renovating your home is an important step because it not only reflects on the home and its general overview but also reflects on your personality and mood, which helps you to make a recovery that you may need to change and renew your mood.





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Top Furniture

Items in Your House





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Top Furniture Types in Your House

1.The Wardrobe as an important furniture piece

You may think what is meant by your bedroom wardrobe only, however, the tidy house should have a dedicated wardrobe for each room that suits the need and available spaces

2.Kids Bedroom

Wardrobes are an essential element of your kids' bedroom, whether they are easy to use and within their reach or not. You can also replace them with boxes that add a nice touch to the room, as well as exploiting the empty spaces under their beds.

3.The Kitchen

A modern approach in the kitchen changes the ordinary and familiar design by getting rid of the closed closets and replacing it with open shelves and boxes and drawers.





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4-The Bathroom

Bathroom closet is one of the items that most people forget about, leaving a messy place where towels and stuff are everywhere. Therefore, don't disregard its importance as you can exploit the corners within a low-budget and install some shelves to help you stay organized.

5-Coffee Table

Designed with great attention to details, the coffee table has become an essential element of your reception room. It is not only to serve tea and coffee to your guests, but also can be a small library or a storage box. When choosing a coffee table, you should pick a light one that is easy to move around.

6.A Library

Having a library is not a luxury these days in a modern house. You should have a reading corner that is quiet and well-lit to enjoy your time with your favorite books. You can design your own library in one of the following locations:

- Above the bed
- In the living room
- TV Library
- Kitchen Shelves
- In the passages
- Unused corner

7.Comfy Chairs

Chairs are one of the most important types of furniture on your list when shopping for your house. A comfy chair in the house means that you can relax or sit down working in the correct position. Most of these chairs are made out of leather and have





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an adjustable range of movement. You can find lots of modern designs nowadays, specifically made for giving your back the utmost comfort.

8.Different Lighting Sources

Lighting in different sources and styles plays such a major role in any interior design. It can be chandeliers, lampshades, direct and indirect bulbs and many others.

9.A Desk

You may think that you don't need a desk in your home and you will never need one in the future either. However, by time passing, you will realize that a desk is one of the essential types of furniture and more important than many others. Desks come in a wide range of designs, surface areas, colors and materials. You can find a suitable one whether it is for kids, adults or businessmen.

10.Dressing Table

Your bedroom is missing a lot without a dressing table in the corner. Our appearance is what we should take off on a daily basis before going out, and if you don't have a dressing table, you will be missing a lot in your day. Recently, new designs appeared in furniture warehouses that are very different from the old and classical styles. Nowadays, a person keeps only the mirror and one box for their stuff.





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11.Bean Bags

A new item of furniture that has been introduced to us recently. Bean bags replaced traditional chairs that cause back pains in the long run. Meanwhile, making one of them by ourselves with basic materials is a piece of cake.

12.Accessories

Although the minimalistic approach that the world is taking nowadays to declutter unimportant possessions in our houses, accessories form special moments and events that are very close to our hearts and can fill any empty corners in our homes.

13.Extra Beds

If you own a small house, then you should manage the available spaces in a smart way to get the most of it, whether it is an extra bed or an allocated space for your newly-born baby.



