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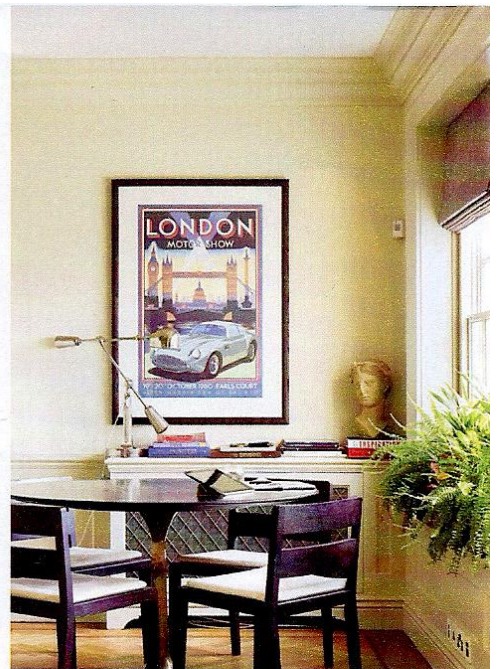
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3 Trends to Try

Stay ahead of the color curve with these unexpected ideas.

Looking Up

“A bold painted ceiling is the new accent wall and packs far more personality,” says Dee Schlotter, senior color marketing manager at Olympic Paints and Stains. Above about 9 feet, you can start experimenting with more dramatic colors. The higher the ceiling, the darker you can go.

Deep Impact

“Dark gray-browns and blacks have started popping up on interior baseboards, molding and window frames,” says Sarah Fishburne, director of trend and design for The Home Depot. “These colors really accentuate your trim and millwork against neutral walls.”

Monochrome Moment

“Painting your molding the same shade as your walls is super chic,” says Genevieve Gorder, designer, TV host and color ambassador for Valspar paint. “The continuity of color allows your artwork, furniture and plants to really pop.”

Get Inspired

No color whisperer on call? Our panel of experts weighs in to help you find your perfect hue.

Online “I always recommend clients spend time searching on Pinterest, Houzz or even Google Images,” says Jonathan Scott, cohost of HGTV’s *Property Brothers* and co-author of *Dream Home: The Property Brothers’ Ultimate Guide to Finding & Fixing Your Perfect House*. “You’ll start seeing common colors or themes of what you personally like emerge.”

On the Road “When I’m on vacation, I’m always scouting paint colors in hotels and restaurants,” says Cecily Mendell, designer and owner of Cecy J Interiors. “Ask what they used and be sure to write it down.”

Magazines “Keep a dream file of magazine images that capture your emotion,” says Susanna Salk, design expert, stylist and author of *It’s the Little Things*. “Interior shots are great, but fashion spreads, ads and movie posters work wonders too.”

Nature “Lately I’ve been drawn to faded palettes—nudes, heathered lavenders, gray blues and sage greens with a hit of blackberry to accent the combination—the kind of hues you would find in a bouquet of cream-colored peonies, jackpot blue thistle and eucalyptus,” says Kishani Perera, designer and author of *Vintage Remix*.

Textiles “The color combinations in ready-made patterned fabric can give you a good idea of what colors work together as a palette,” says Monica Pedersen, designer and author of *Make It Beautiful*.

Carpet “You can definitely pull a color from a rug to paint your space,” says designer Andrew Howard. “Don’t get too matchy-matchy. Go a shade or two lighter, darker, duller or grayer to find something complementary.”

Favorite Object or Collectible “I brought a pair of killer orange heels to the paint store and said, ‘Let’s make this a paint color,’” says Mendell. “I got a few raised eyebrows, but I think it’ll be great on a chair or another accent piece for an upcoming project.”

