

Haute, Hot Decor

Kick off the year with expert tips from top NJ designers and tastemakers. —Susan Brierly Bush

“Sculptural lighting as art can elevate an entire space. We like to juxtapose a modern fixture with more traditional furnishings.”
—Kelli Suozzo
Nest
RED BANK

“People want to live with colors. Green is a happy hue that connects homeowners’ indoor spaces to their outdoor landscaping.”
—Gail Davis
Gail M. Davis Designs
SOUTH ORANGE

“Revolutionary open living means solid walls are coming down in favor of movable and glass walls, and multiple entertainment sources can occupy a single, sunny space.”
—Tom Baio
Thomas Baio Architect
MILLBURN

“Create a beautiful, functional space to reflect the essence and spirit of the people who live in it.”
—Katja van der Loo
Papyrus Home Designs
BOONTON

“Gradient ombre wallpaper is beautiful as its darkest shade slowly changes to the softest version of itself.”
—Jennifer Pacca
Jennifer Pacca Interiors
HILLSDALE



“Designing a bedroom with serene colors and super-soft monogrammed sheets, pillowcases and towels instantly makes any space more special.”
—Ashley Moos
A.HOME, SUMMIT

“While it’s fine to embrace the comeback of traditional style, it’s important to keep it light and fresh.”
—Jane Connell
Fun House Furnishings
MENDHAM

“Think putty, camel and tobacco paired with organic, earthy pink, rust and mustard. Layer touches of olive and marine blue to feel more tonal with less pop.”
—Jenny Glassberg
Nest
RED BANK

“There’s a return to moody greens, mixed woods and layered organics. We like comfortable ‘Scandiformia’ design with clean lines and bigger windows that focus on nature.”
—Miriam Silver Verga
Mimi & Hill
WESTFIELD

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COOL COLORS from Benjamin Moore’s 2020 color palette include Blue Danube, Buxton Blue and White Heron.

“A room is visually more interesting when you layer different textures in fabrics and furnishings. Mix it up with soft prints, slubby linens, silky embroideries and chunky tweeds.”
—Julie Mihuc, director of marketing, Calico

“While grays remain popular, a new neutral is soft white. I love layering tones of white in varying textures and patterns.”
—Kristin Badolato
Kristin Ashley Interiors
BERNARDSVILLE

“There’s a resurgence in scenic floral and landscape murals—best executed in dining rooms and bedrooms, where the soothing images invite you to escape reality and get lost in the ethereal oasis.”
—Sandra Funk
House of Funk
MONTCLAIR



“Showing enthusiasm for a design through the hues of a brilliantly bright woven rug is a powerful way to set the stage!”
—Heather Tokarz
Well Design, BROOKSIDE

“Textures are having a huge moment—nubby bouclé upholstery for seating, and grass, raffia, leather and shagreen finishes for other pieces.”
—Marisa Friedmann
The Home Revivalists
SUMMIT

“There’s a trend toward traditional, casual kitchens with a mix of painted cabinets and stained wood for a more authentic, antique farmhouse look.”
—Uma Stewart
Uma Stewart Interiors
SOUTH ORANGE

“Custom-built, clean-lined furniture and cabinetry make spaces aesthetically pleasing and functional.”
—Victoria Gerts
Victoria Gerts Interiors
ALPINE



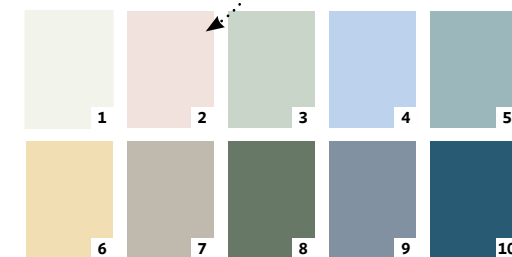
INVITE NATURE indoors with Benjamin Moore’s Cushing Green, Crystalline and Golden Straw.



COLOR YOUR WORLD

For the brightest ideas in paint, we turned to the experts. Benjamin Moore, headquartered in Montvale, presents its 2020 palette of easy-on-the-eye blues, greens and go-with-everything neutrals. “The colors in the Color Trends 2020 palette strike the right balance as a color statement, yet each color has a degree of softness that makes it easy to use, and easy to work with, no matter what the function of the space,” says Andrea Magno, director of color marketing and

development for Benjamin Moore. These sublime neutrals include a serene shade of pink, First Light (2102-70), a flattering alternative that Magno calls optimistic, gender neutral and appealing to all generations. “As a color you can live with from morning to night, First Light is gorgeous in any room, bringing softness to a living room, a beautiful glow to a dining room, or a refreshing wash of blush for an office or bedroom,” she adds. See more trending paint colors at benjaminmoore.com.



1: White Heron OC-57 2: First Light 2102-70 3: Crystalline AF-485 4: Windmill Wings 2067-60 5: Buxton Blue HC-149 6: Golden Straw 2152-50 7: Thunder AF-685 8: Cushing Green HC-125 9: Oxford Gray 2128-40 10: Blue Danube 2062-30