

**COLOR SCHEME ▶**

First things first: decide on the right color scheme for your room or home. You can simplify the process by using a color wheel and narrowing down your choices to two color schemes. There are more, of course, but these are the most effective and provide a great place to start.



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How to incorporate color, and bring life and vibrancy to your space.



**4 GO BOLD**

Step outside the box and add a burst of color to your space. An accent wall in a bright hue is a wonderful way to integrate color in any room. Another way to add some pop is by creating a color scheme with smaller accents, such as vases, picture frames, wall art, pillows, candlesticks, and lamps. The sky's the limit and the sky is pretty high. This small step can make a significant difference in any neutral space. Stick to an accent theme of one or two shades/ hues. Too much is bound to ruin the effect. Too much for you? A more subtle approach would be a colored accent, such as a chair. This way you can still achieve a colored effect without taking a big pricey step. Colored window shades are another great way to add a touch of color to a dull area. Greenery and floral elements in a room give the space a warmer more colored feel.



**▲ REMEMBER THE LIGHTING**

Proper lighting is crucial when you care about your colors. Inadequate lighting can make even pretty colors in a space seem dull. Avoid this by using high-wattage bulbs in your fixtures. A little more light goes a long way.



**▲ THE BLACK!** An unconventional way to make all the other colors in a room pop is by adding black to a space. By adding a black element – say, a black box, lampshade, picture frame or other accent – you clarify and enhance all the other colors in the space.

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