

## ACCESSORIZING WITH MOULDING



### A Touch of Elegance: Crown Moulding

1. Crown moulding adds a touch of elegance and makes a room seem more grounded and solid. You should always consider the size of the room and the style of the house, there are certain architectural styles that do not lend themselves to moulding. In more traditional homes, however, they can add that finishing touch that makes a room feel more luxurious.

2. Lighted crown mouldings add a soft, ambient glow and add visual drama to a space.

#### 3. Tray ceilings:

Tray ceilings with crown moulding add dramatic impact to a room. The tray and the walls beneath it become the focal point of the room.

It is best to add crown moulding to a tray ceiling where the short sides are vertical instead of angled. Paint the upper ceiling of the "crowned" tray a very pale blue with puffy clouds to give a light airy feel to a



### Have a Seat: Chair Rail (Next to its Best Friend, Wainscoting)

4. Chair rails create visual scale in a room and add depth, contrast, and texture to otherwise plain interior walls.

When placing a chair rail, keep in mind it's all about the chair, it needs to be high enough to catch a chair's back.

5. Wooden paneling with striations is called wainscoting. These panels can be set in below chair railing or installed much higher covering about 2/3 of the wall. High wainscoting offers the perfect opportunity for adding moulding to the top of it that projects out and creates a mini ledge that can allow you to display artwork.

Use this in mud rooms, hallways and children's rooms. Wainscoting gives a room country elegance or a "Pottery Barn" look, especially if the shelf and wainscoting are painted white.



### Say Cheese: Picture Frame Molding

6. Picture frame moulding creates visual interest and texture that can make a room look elegant and rooted. It is also an opportunity for you to play with colors, keeping the interior of the "frame" the same color as the exterior, or painting it a complementary but contrasting color.



7. Picture frame moulding also gives you the opportunity to add texture, by papering the interior of the picture frame for additional contrast.

room. This is a fun idea for a bedroom or a dining room.



### The Right Shoes: Baseboard Moulding

8. Baseboard moulding is a necessary addition to the functional design of your house by keeping dirt from getting under the walls, insects from getting into the house and edging the flooring. It can provide an important anchor to the look of a room, by literally grounding your walls and making them look even more structurally sound.

9. The width and style of the moulding should vary depending on the style of the house and the size of the room, with intricate and heavier mouldings best suited for larger rooms with higher ceilings, and slightly narrower, more basic moulding better suited for standard height ceiling rooms.

## CONSULTING SERVICES

A Designz consultation focuses on your desires for your home's décor. We blend your current possessions with new selections to create your signature style. Designz principles of layering color and texture add impact while harmonizing scale. Balance and rhythm complete the composition.



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