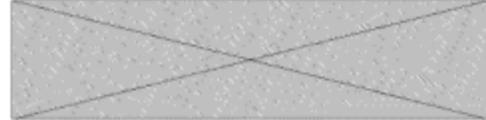


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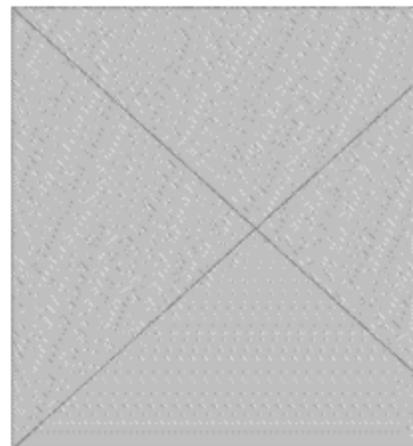
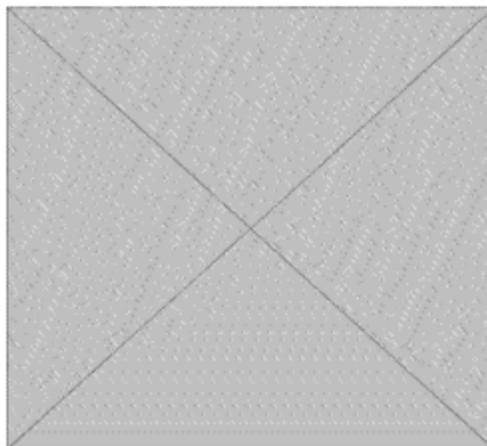
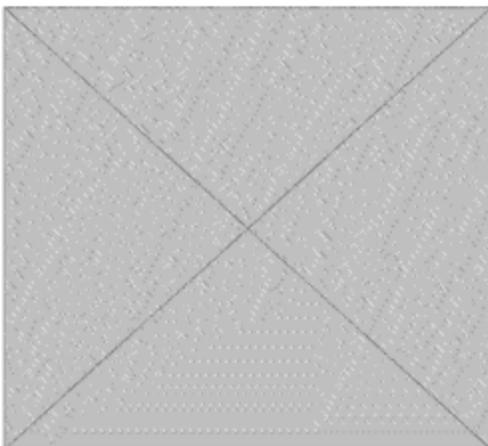
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Houzz Tour: Farmhouse Meets Industrial in a Restored New Jersey Barn »

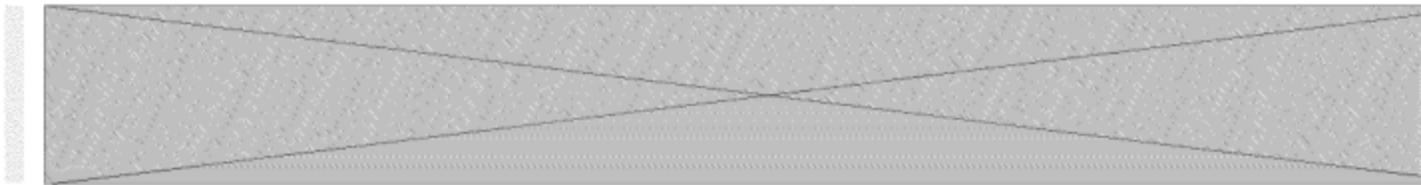
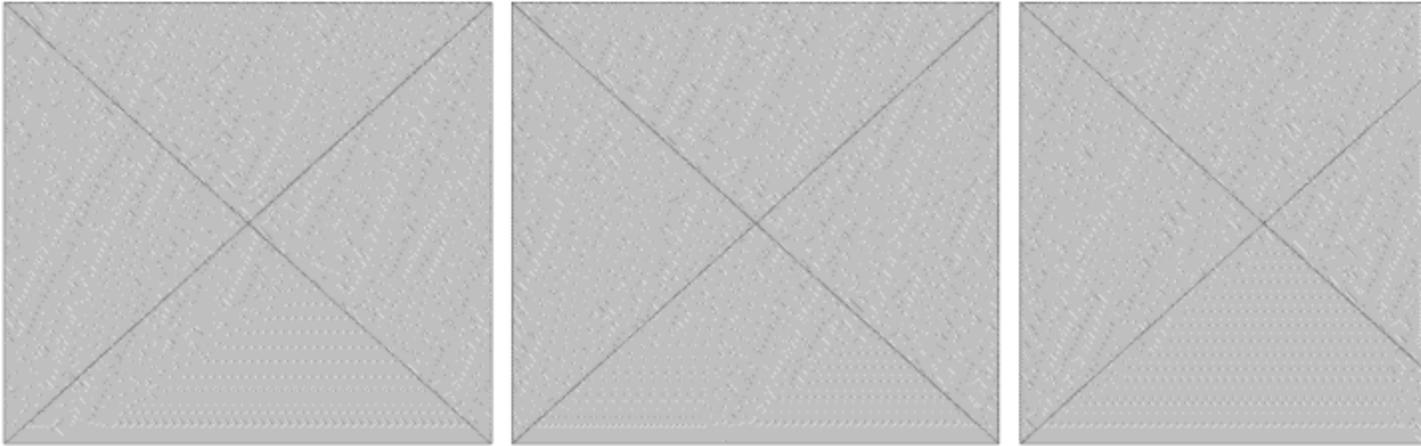
A historic New Jersey barn's days were numbered. "This barn was in horrible condition. It was looking sad and forlorn," says architect Arturo Palombo. "It had reached the point where the homeowners needed to tear it down or restore it." [Palombo... more »](#)



Decluttering — How to Get the Help You Need »

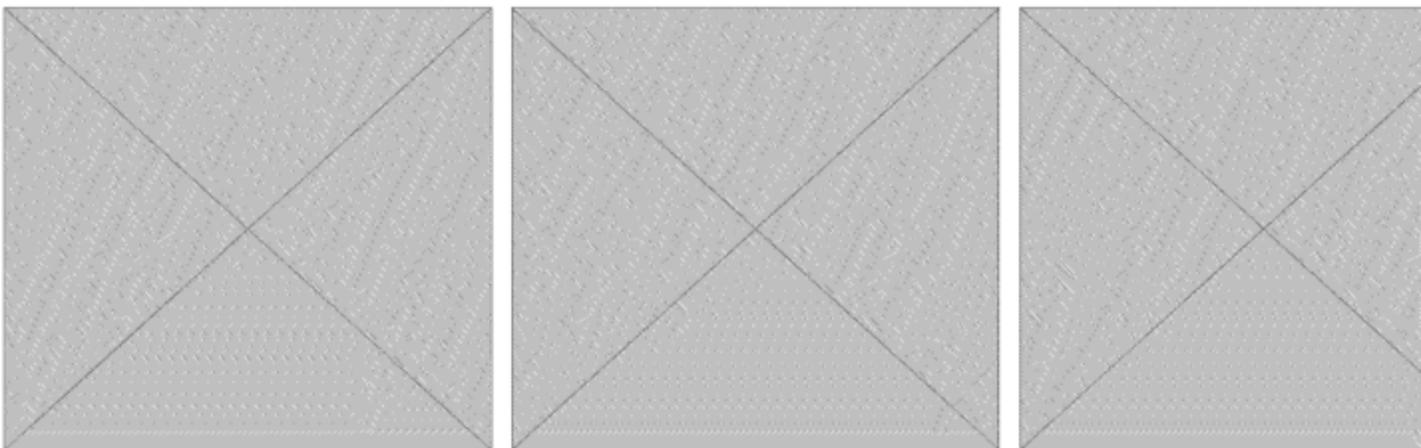
My friend Jane is one of those peculiar people who gets energy from pulling order out of chaos. She owns and runs a B&B and breakfast in her home, a hundred-year-old Georgian mansion. Her kitchen is a wonder of organization; even her

maker... more »



Private Access: 12 Bathroom Windows That Reveal Only the Views »

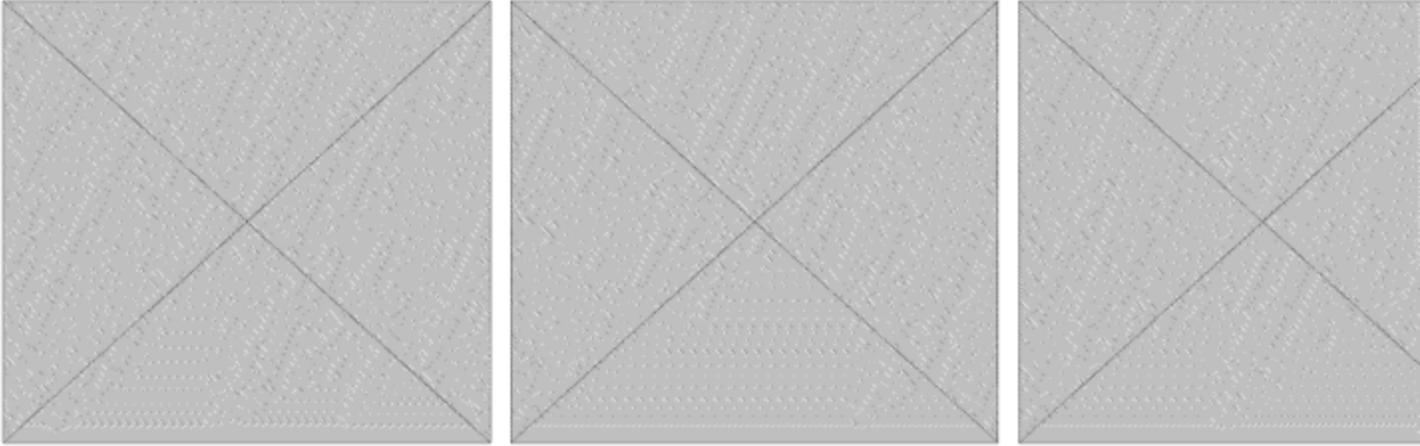
Even though the bathroom is the most private room in a house, it's lacking if it doesn't have a window. Ideally a bathroom window has a view and offers privacy, which may seem impossible but which can be achieved through various means. (size... more »)



Houzz Tour: Beach-Scene Colors for a Picturesque Florida

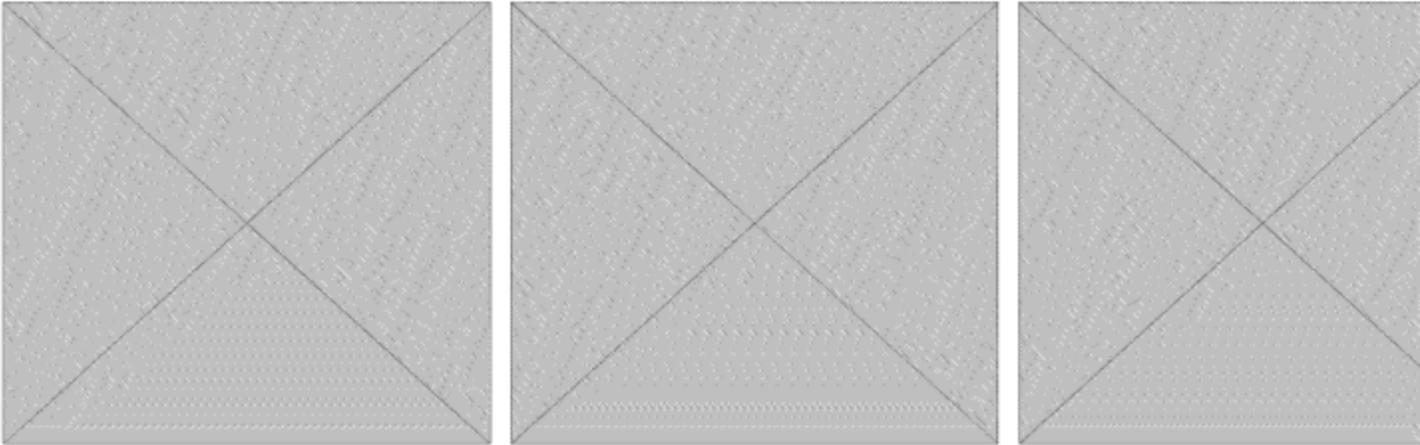
Getaway »

When a town's name is Watercolor, and it's on the equally tantalizingly named Emerald Coast in the Florida panhandle, you might have a hunch it's going to be a testament to gorgeous design. And, dare I say, kudos to the town's homeowner's association,... more »



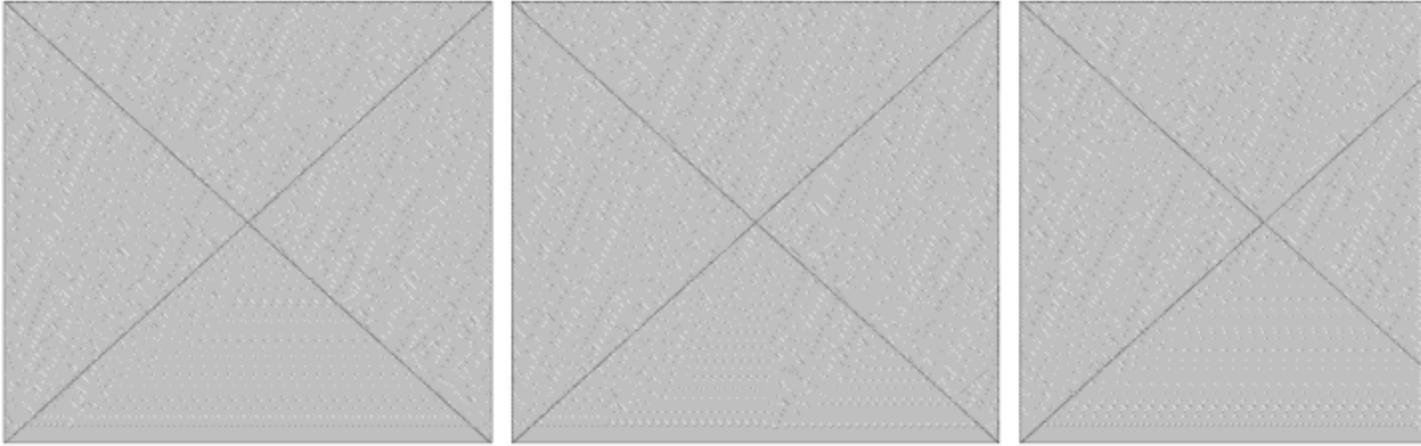
To Feed and Protect: Care for Your Pet From Afar With New Devices »

Internet technology should make it simple for us to watch our pets while we're away from home, and also to make sure they're being fed and have plenty of water. That's why a product that went on the market about five years ago seems so futuristic... such... more »



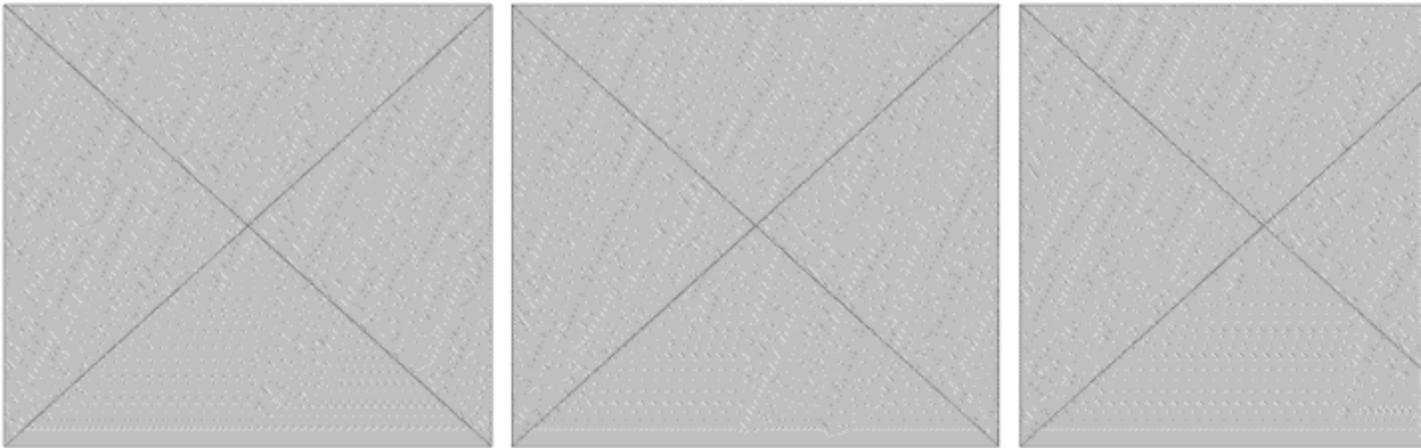
My Houzz: Color and Vintage Style Jazz Up Tradition in Chicago »

First-time homeowners Susie and Mat Daly welcomed the challenge of an early-1900s fixer-upper in the Hyde Park neighborhood of Chicago. The challenge was natural for the couple, who are both rooted in creative endeavors. Mat is a musician and artist; Susie... more »



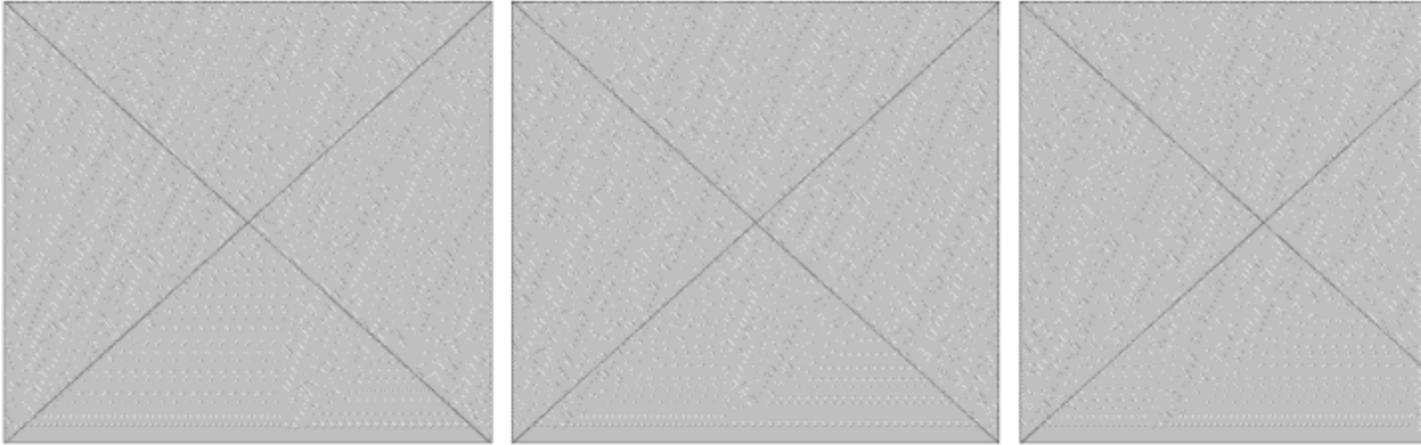
Kitchen Sinks: Fireclay Brims With Heavy-Duty Character »

Perhaps whoever coined the phrase "Everything but the kitchen sink" was referring to a sink made from fireclay. This heavy-duty material, created when clay is heated and cured at upward of 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit, is so dense, in fact, that it can withstand a hammer blow without chipping. [Learn more »](#)



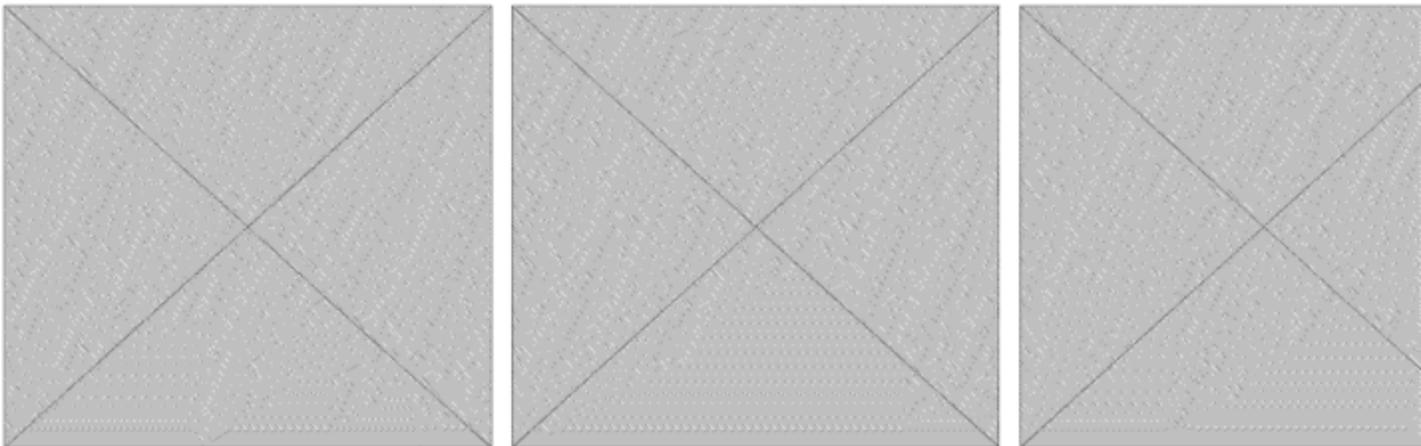
On Trend: Max Out Function With Double-Use Seats and Sleepers »

I'm starting to think about moving to a new house later this year, and I'm already feeling both invigorated and overwhelmed by all the possible design choices and furniture upgrades — the decisions feel endless! Slowly I'm realizing that double-duty furniture is the way to go. [Learn more »](#)



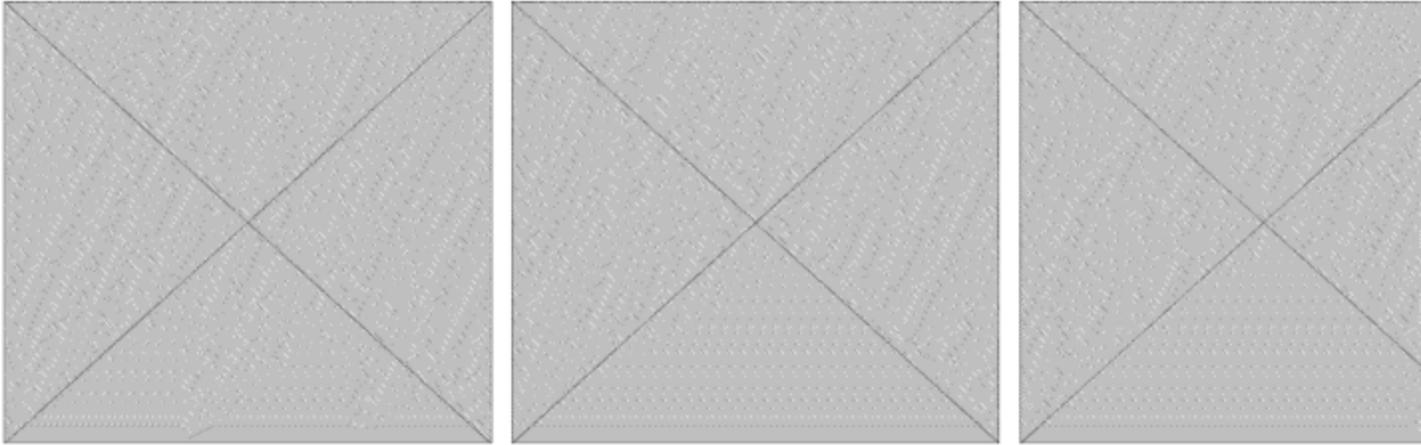
Cooking With Color: When to Use Yellow in the Kitchen »

Are you a sunny optimist? Or do you just wish you could channel that vibe? Associated with happiness, exuberance, positivity, yellow is an excellent color choice for the kitchen. Since yellow reflects a large amount of visible light coming in from windows, it can help brighten a dark kitchen. [more »](#)



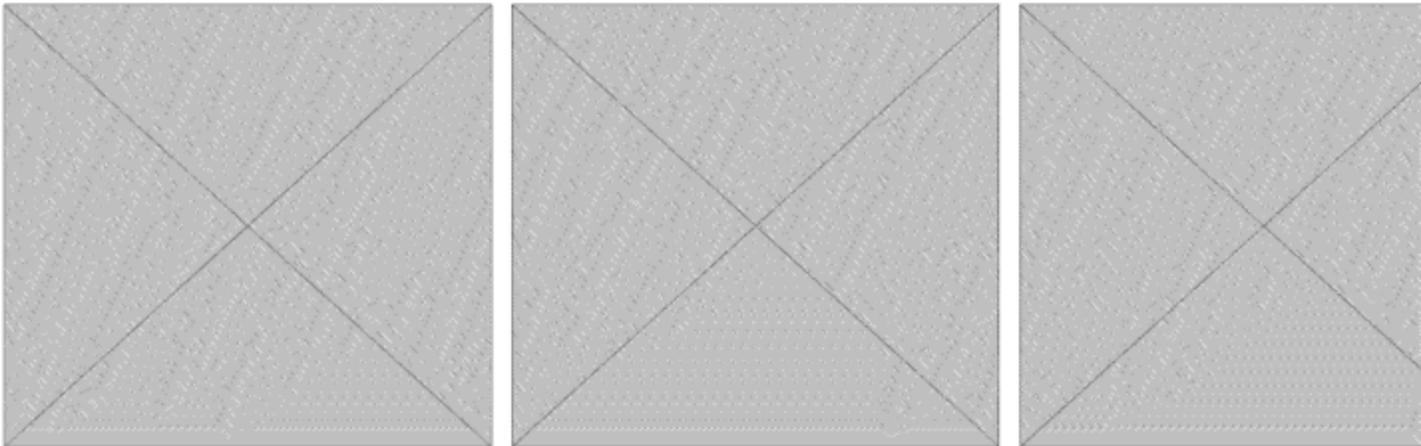
Houzz Tour: Updated Elegance for a 200-Year-Old Norwegian Mansion »

Once home to a wealthy Norwegian family, this stunning 19th-century Oslo mansion has since become two apartments for two separate families — one occupying the top floor, and the other taking up the ground floor and basement level. Despite... [more »](#)



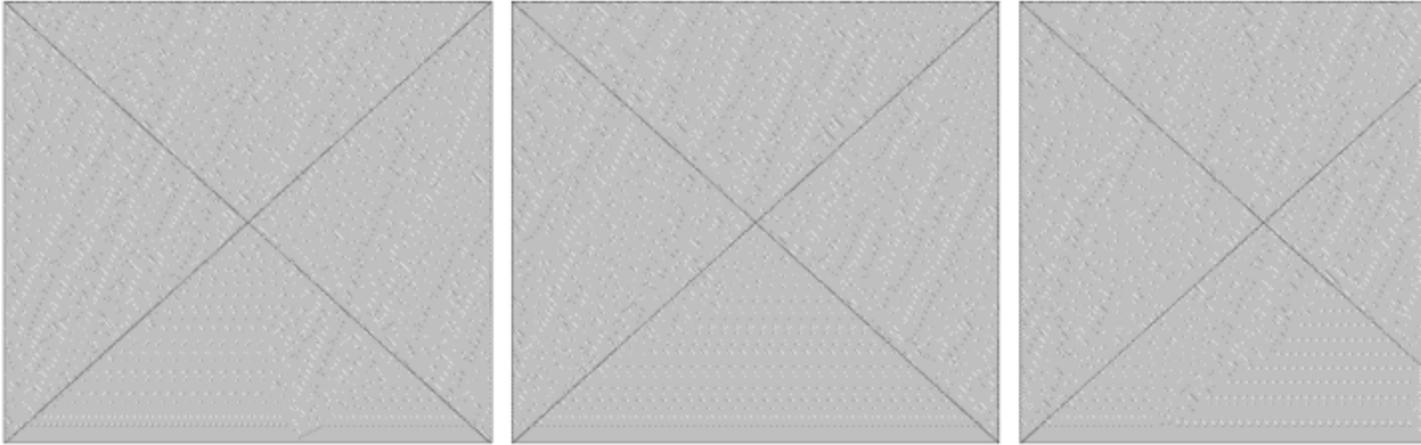
Great Design Plant: Lilies »

When is a lily not a lily? As it turns out, quite often. Many of the plants that we call lilies — canna lily, lily of the Nile, and calla lily — are, in fact, not lilies at all. Although equally stunning, those flowers belong to... more »



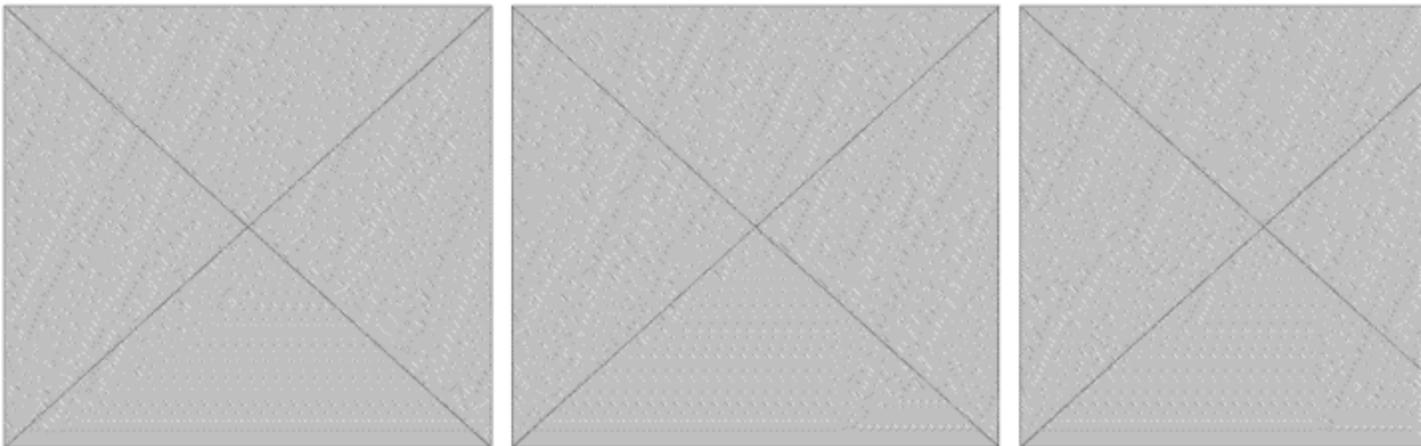
Budget Decorator: 11 No-Sew Home Decor Projects »

Do you enjoy crafting with delicious fabrics but run at the sight of a sewing machine? There is no need to feel left out because each of these 11 projects can be completed without so much as a needle and thread. If you can cut, glue and staple,... more »



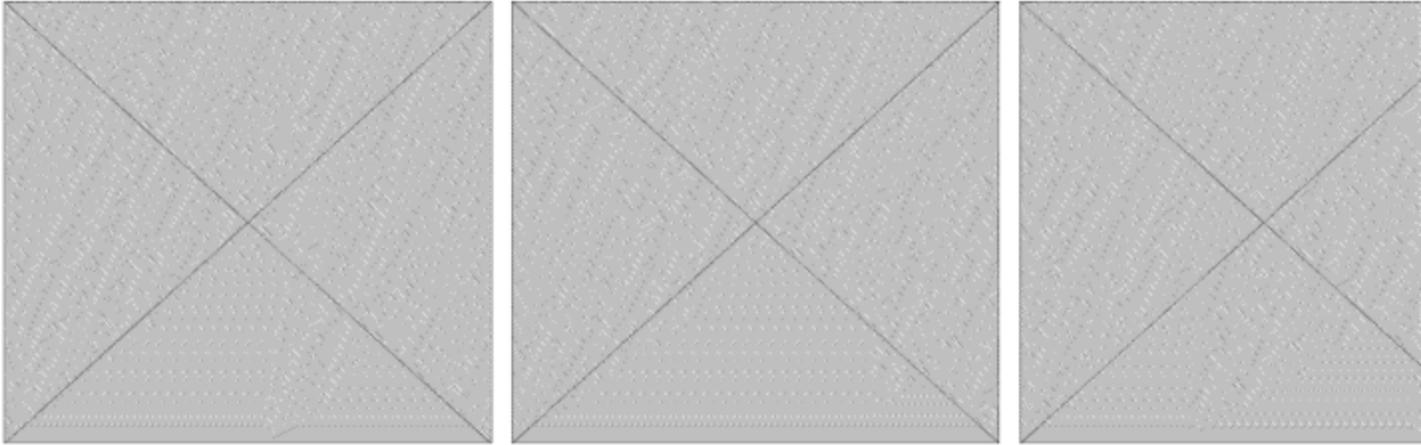
My Houzz: DIY and Modern Mix Entertainingly in Vancouver »

When someone produces strong visual imagery for a living, it's not surprising when that translates into his living space. "I'm a happy slave to the entertainment industry," says Tink, a script writer, short-film producer, set designer and creator of the TV show *Designing a Life*. more »



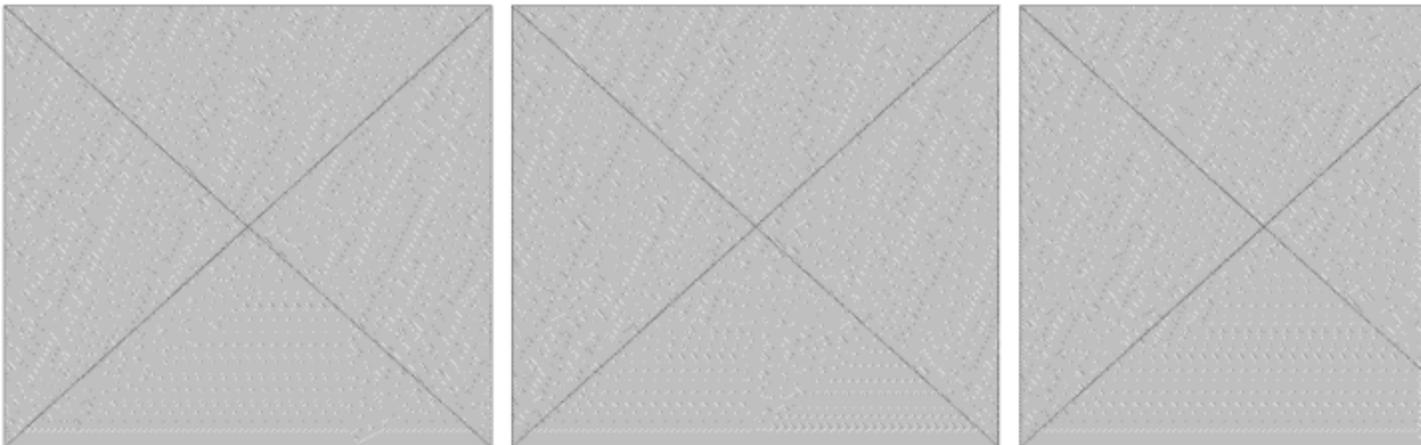
Pop Culture Watch: 12 Home Trends from the '80s Are Back »

Rev up the DeLorean and set the flux capacitor to 1983 — the decade's trends are back in a big way, from nighttime TV to a *Top Gun* 3-D Imax release; from classic Ray-Bans to brass floor lamps. On TV we have a young Carrie Bradshaw navigating... more »



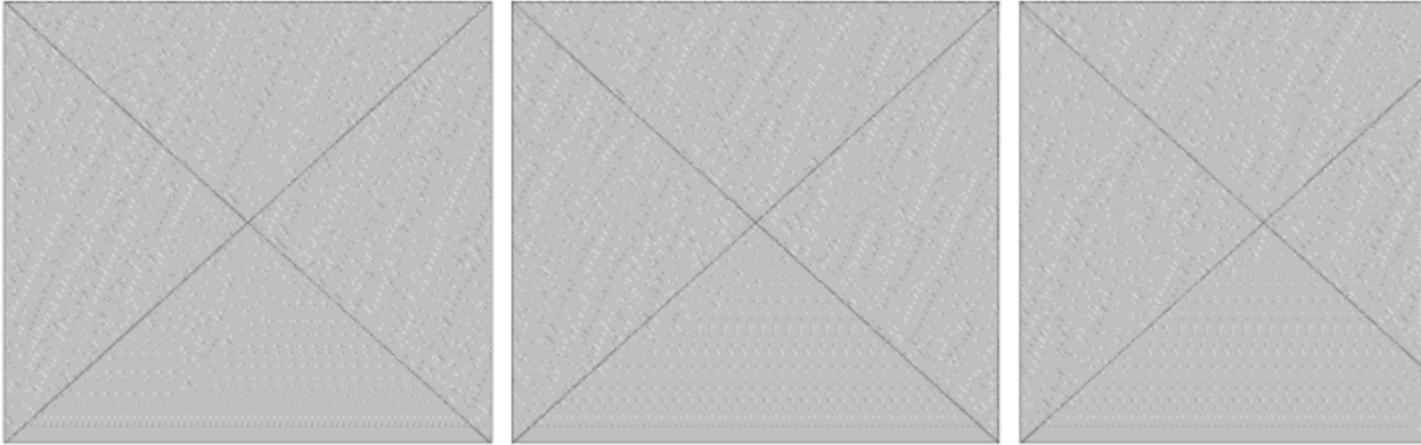
4 Classic Decorating Themes — and How to Work Them Just Right »

Decorating themes sometimes get a bad rap for being cheesy or overdone. But when done well, a theme can make you feel personal and put together. Whether you would like to incorporate favorite finds from your travels or decor featuring a specific motif... more »



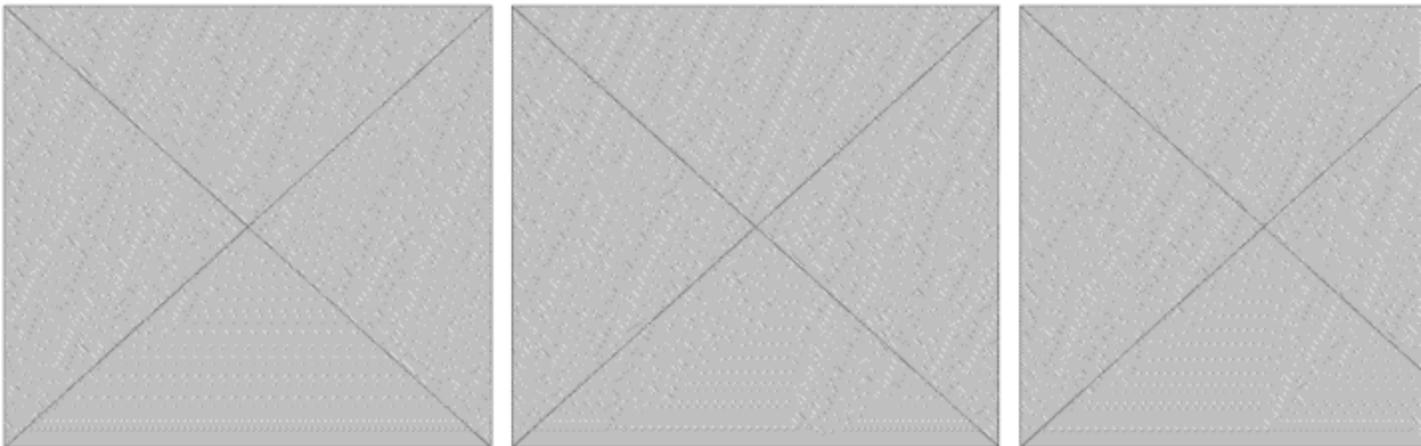
What Is Your Designer's Attitude Type? »

Here are a few simple graphics to quench your thirst for a well-designed life. See what I did there? I know. I'm sorry



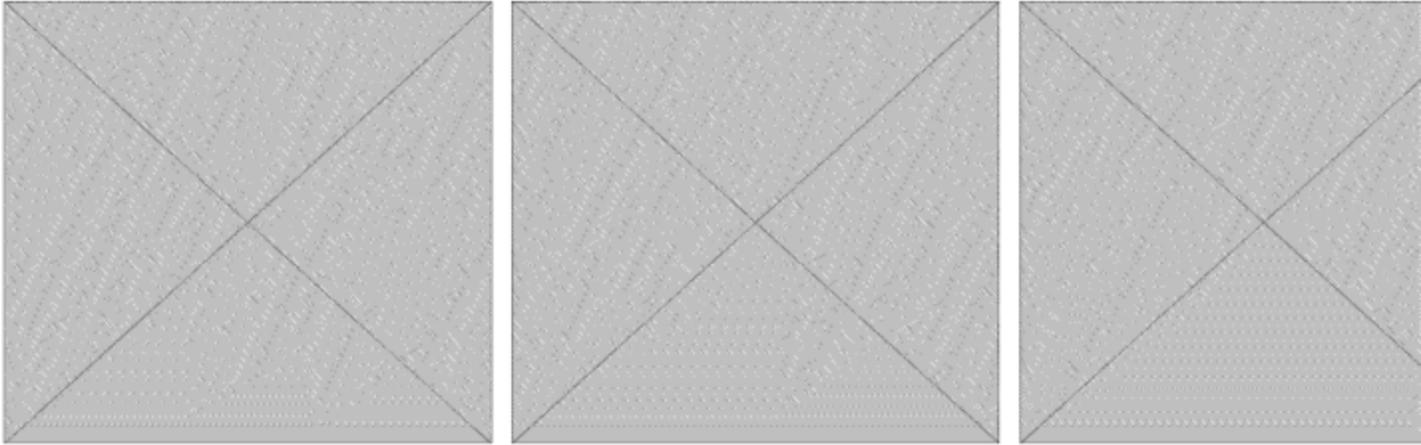
Houzz Tour: From 1800s Church to Country Residence »

This 19th-century Australian church has been through a lot in its lifetime. Once the main church for the village of Launceston, Australia, it was decommissioned in 1943 and used as a farmer's sheep-shearing shed for more than 50 years. But [more »](#)



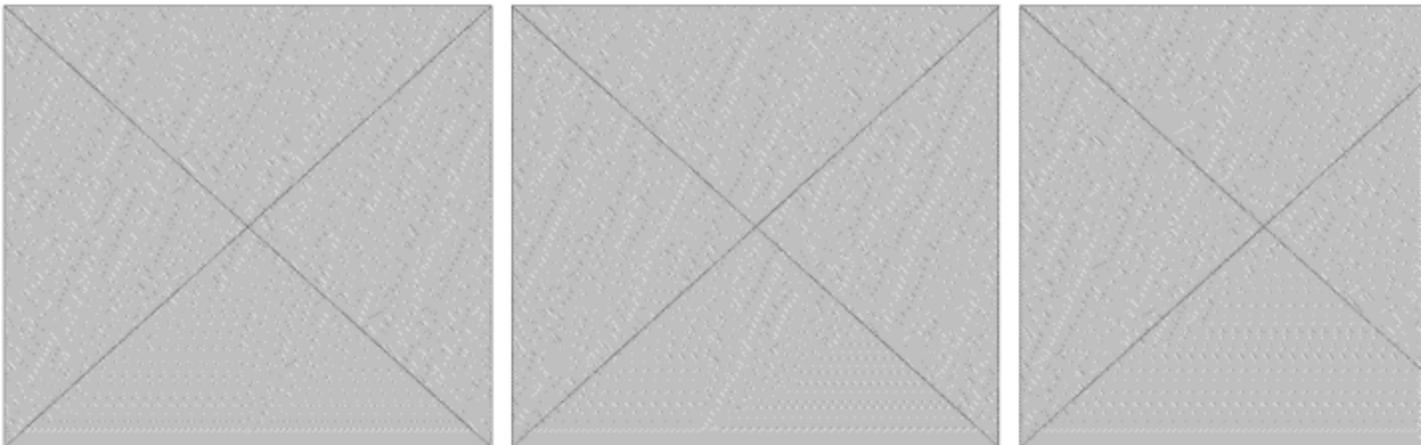
Basement of the Week: Backyard Beauty Inspires a Resort-Like Space »

After three years of living in their new house, this Georgia family needed an update: The toddlers had grown into playful kiddos, and they all wished for more room for family fun and entertaining. They contacted builder John Willis Homes. [more »](#)



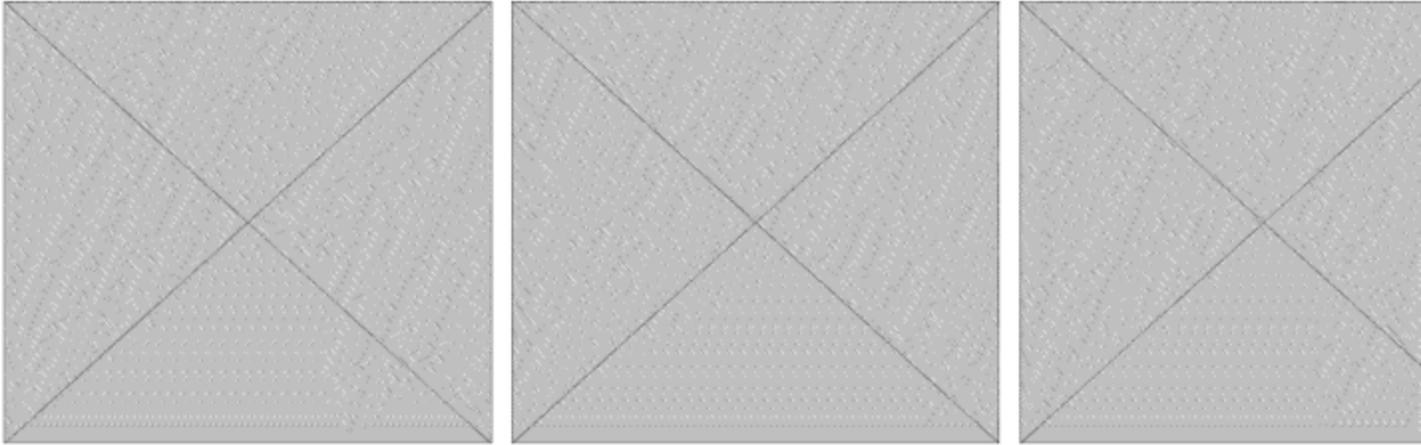
My Houzz: Global Souvenirs and All-Around Amenities in Montreal »

Like many parents, Bela Xavier and Andres Escobar wanted to get their family out of an urban environment and into a roomier house with space where their kids could roam. After finding a house close to the water off West Island in Montreal, the... more »



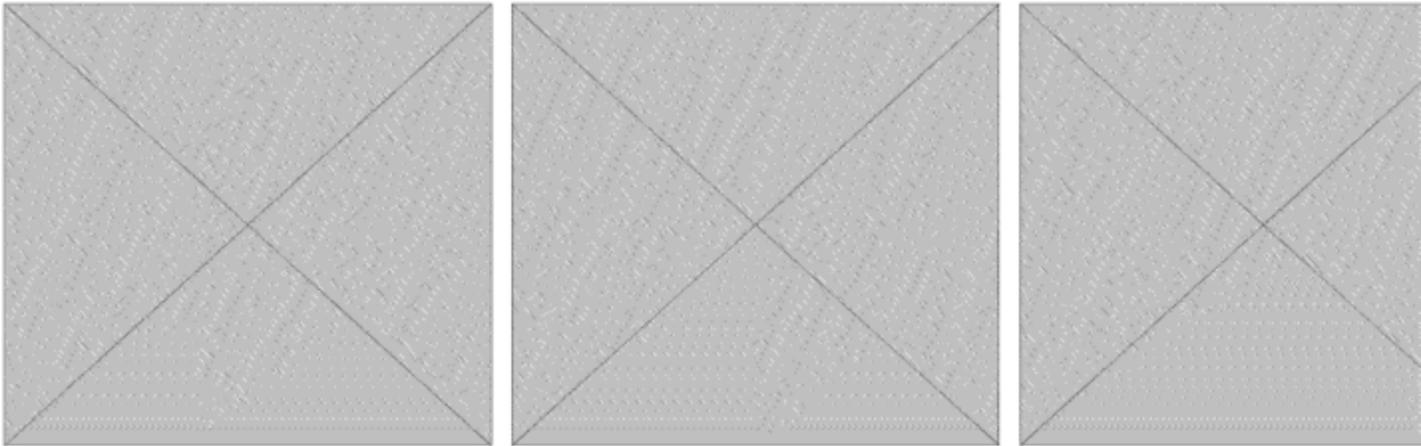
Must-Know Modern Homes: Villa Mairea »

Along with Frank Lloyd Wright, Finnish architect Alvar Aalto stands out for being a modern architect with a highly personal style that blends the historical and the contemporary. But unlike Wright, who was born less than a decade after the end of the... more »



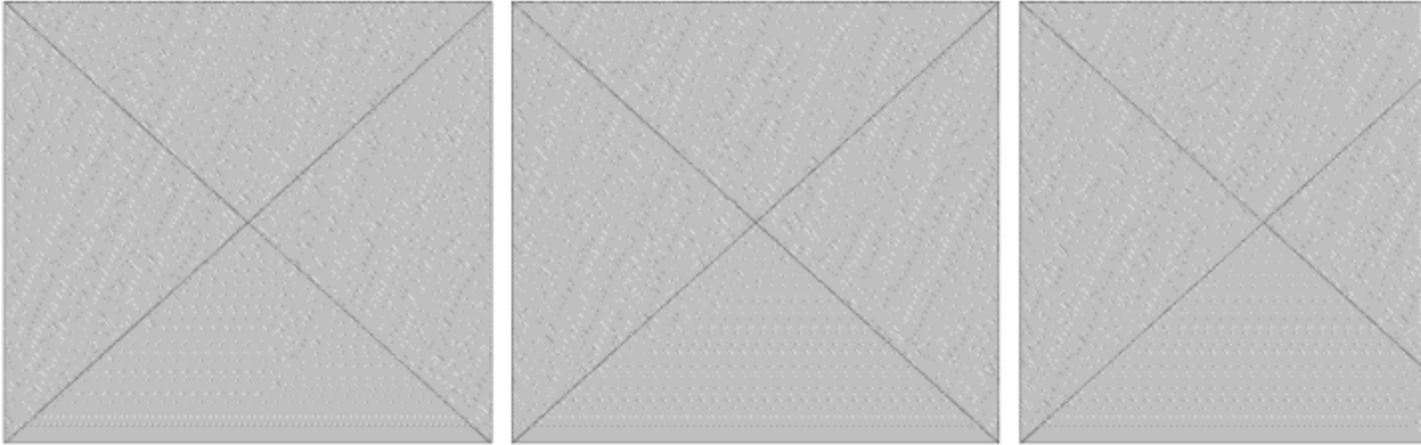
8 Frame and Bedding Matchups for a Beautifully Made Bed »

Call me crazy, but I like making my bed. Smoothing the sheets, squaring the corners, plumping the pillows — the process is a treasured daily ritual. I love crawling into my well-made bed at night after a long day of work. Having the more »



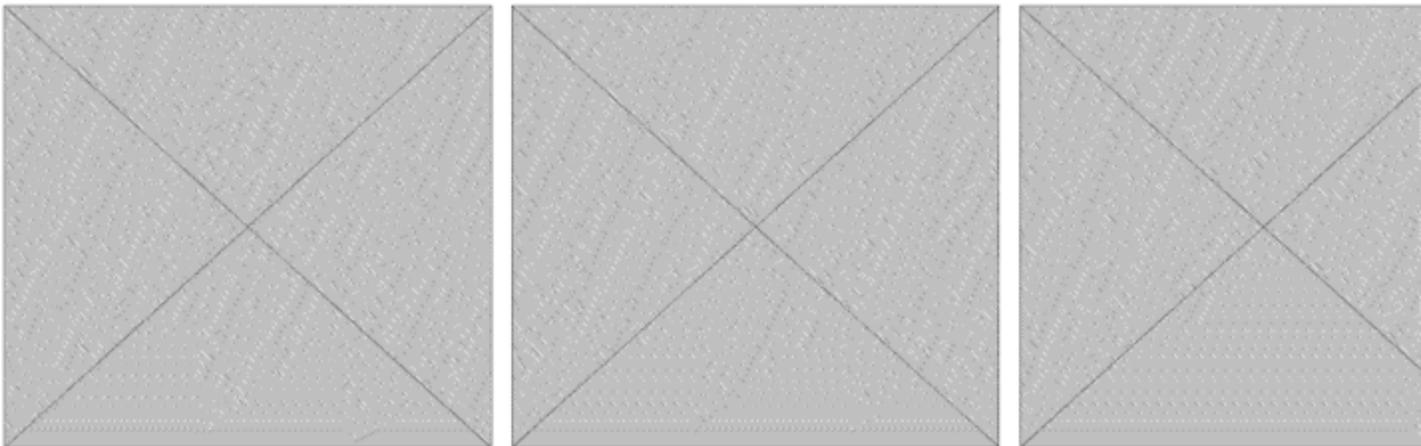
Guest Picks: 20 Showstopping Fabrics for Knockout Rooms »

Small doses of stunning fabrics have the ability to make a space feel polished and complete. Here are a few favorites that are pretty enough to plan an entire room around. Also included are a few "real life" snippets of the featured fabrics..



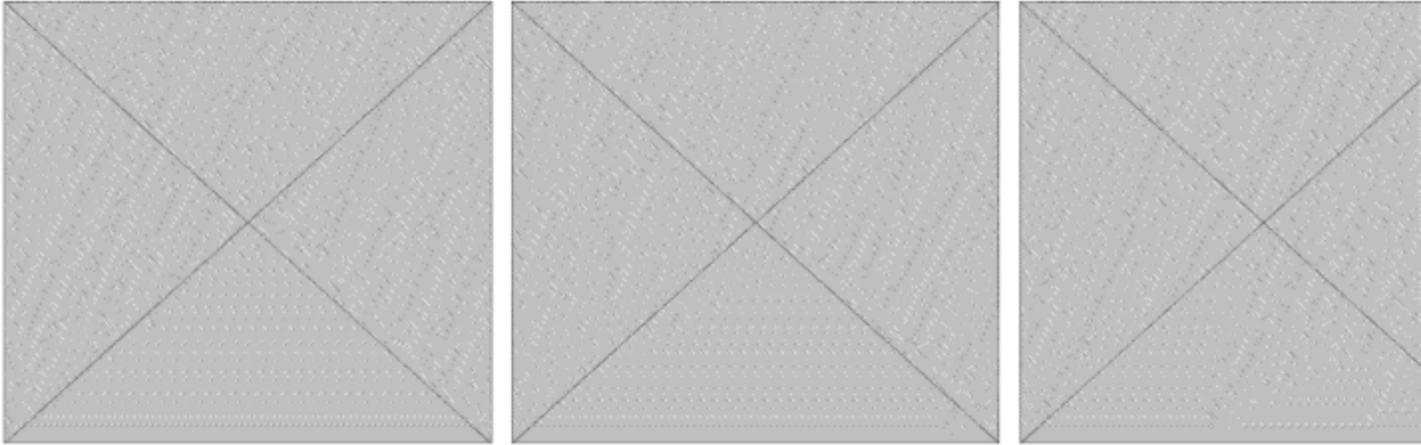
My Houzz: Three Stories of Serenity in a Toronto Townhouse »

Howard Cohen and Ron Soskolne are drawn to uncluttered modernism, and their Toronto residences have always reflected this ethos, along with their love of collecting crafts and art. Both are architects who also work in the property development industry. [more »](#)



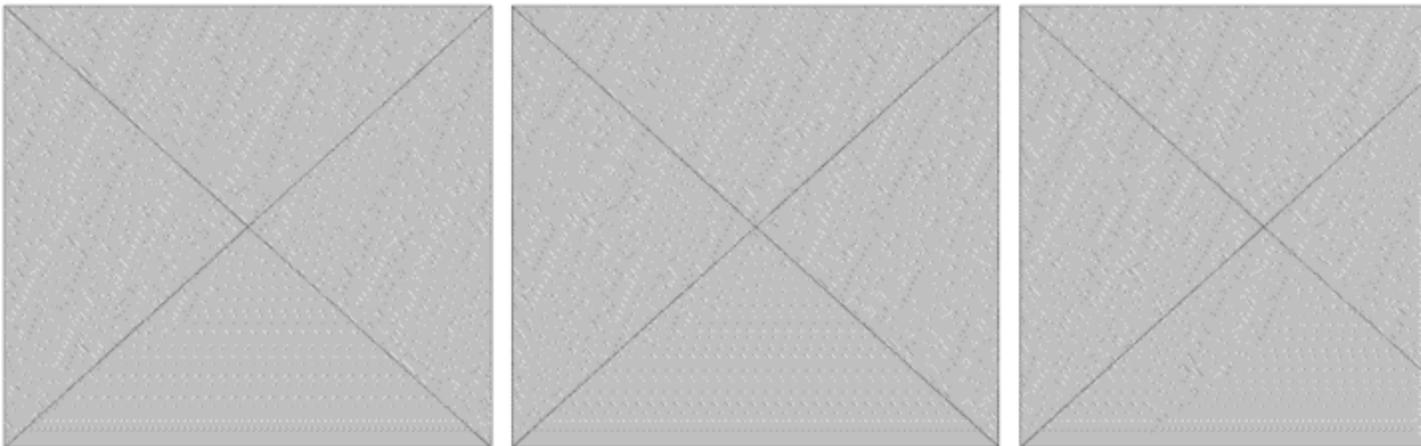
Guest Picks: Details for a Classic White Kitchen »

I am finally making time to renovate my kitchen! Let me paint a picture of the before: no disposal, no dishwasher and no meat locker for a refrigerator. It's safe to say that it's time for a change this year. I have been dreaming of an all-white kitchen. [more »](#)



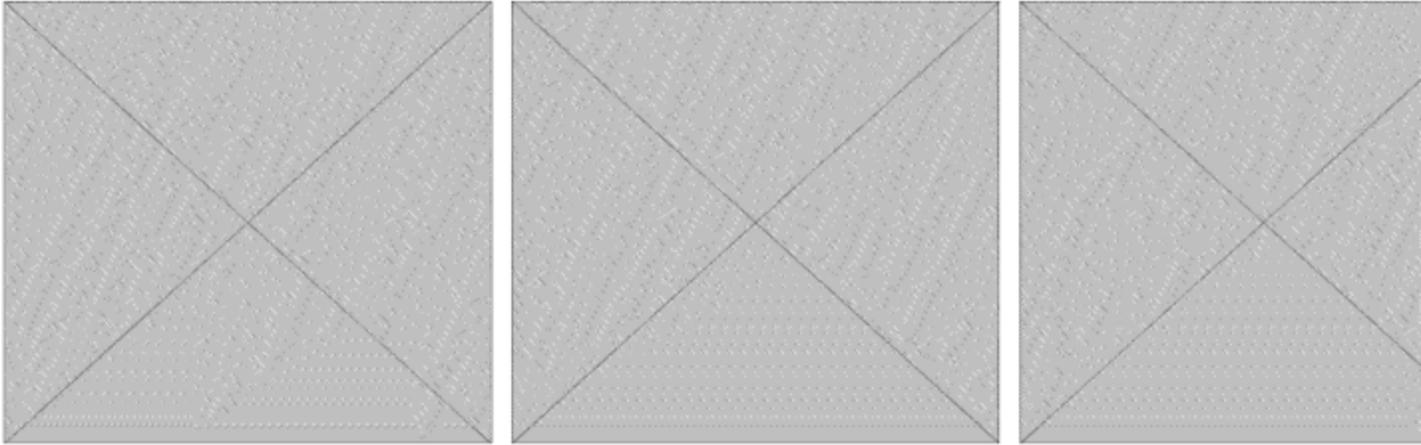
The Pink Link — Learn the Secrets of a Decorating Darling »

Known to represent everything from innocence to love and passion, pink is a confident color choice that can still feel soothing and happy. A tint of the color red or a mix of red and violet creates a spectrum of pinks that both girls and boys love. [more »](#)



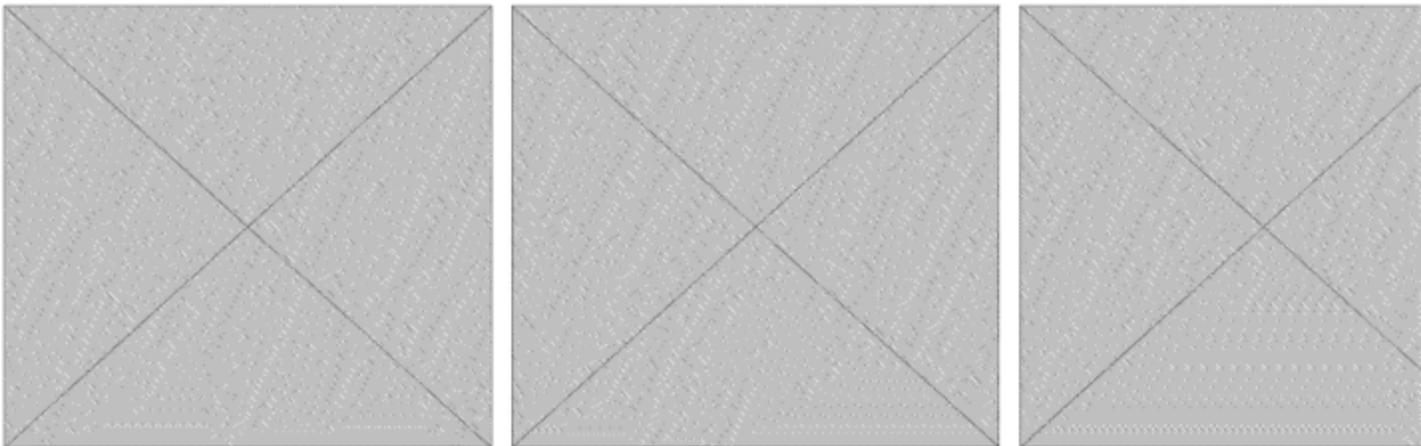
What's the Big Idea? In Architecture, It's the Parti Pris »

The term "parti pris," usually shortened to "parti," literally translates as "departure point," but in architect lingo it most often refers to the project design's big idea. It signifies an architect's overall guiding idea for a design. [As... more »](#)



Guest Picks: 22 Delectable Cake Stands »

Once upon a time, a cake stand was an essential serving piece that every home had to have, and they were often handed down from generation to generation. Stands and tiered serving plates are a traditional way to present sweets and cakes, but... more »



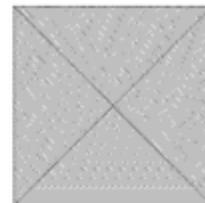
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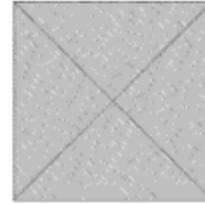
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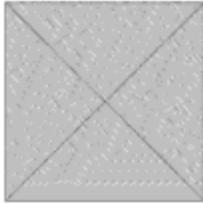
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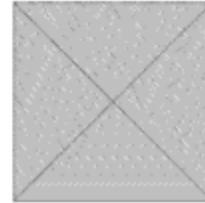


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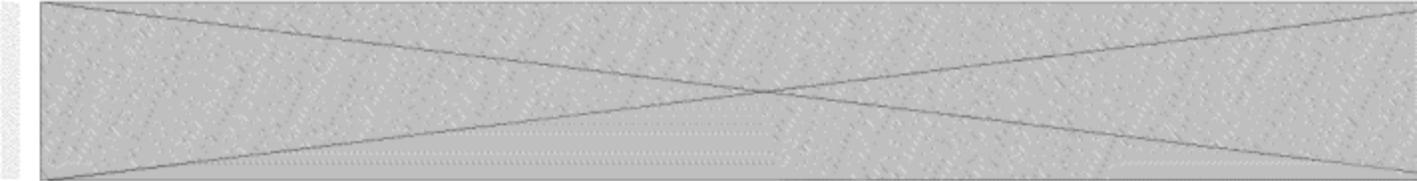
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