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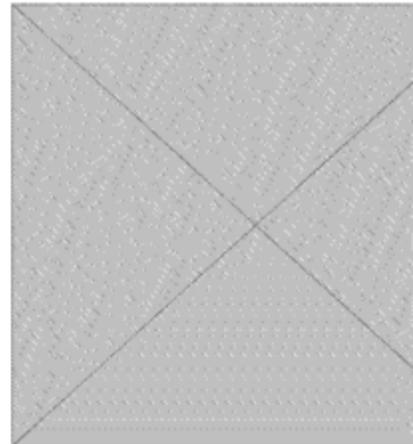
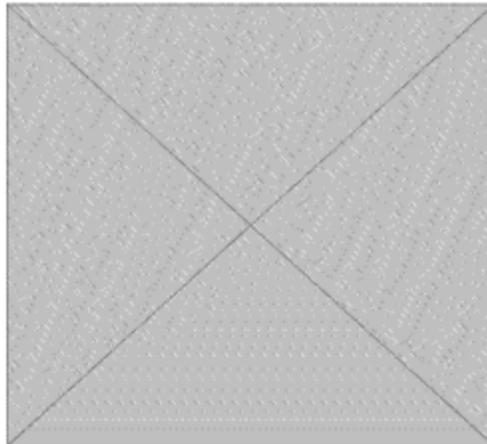
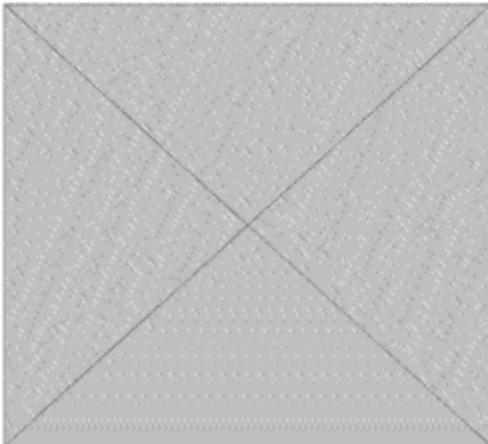


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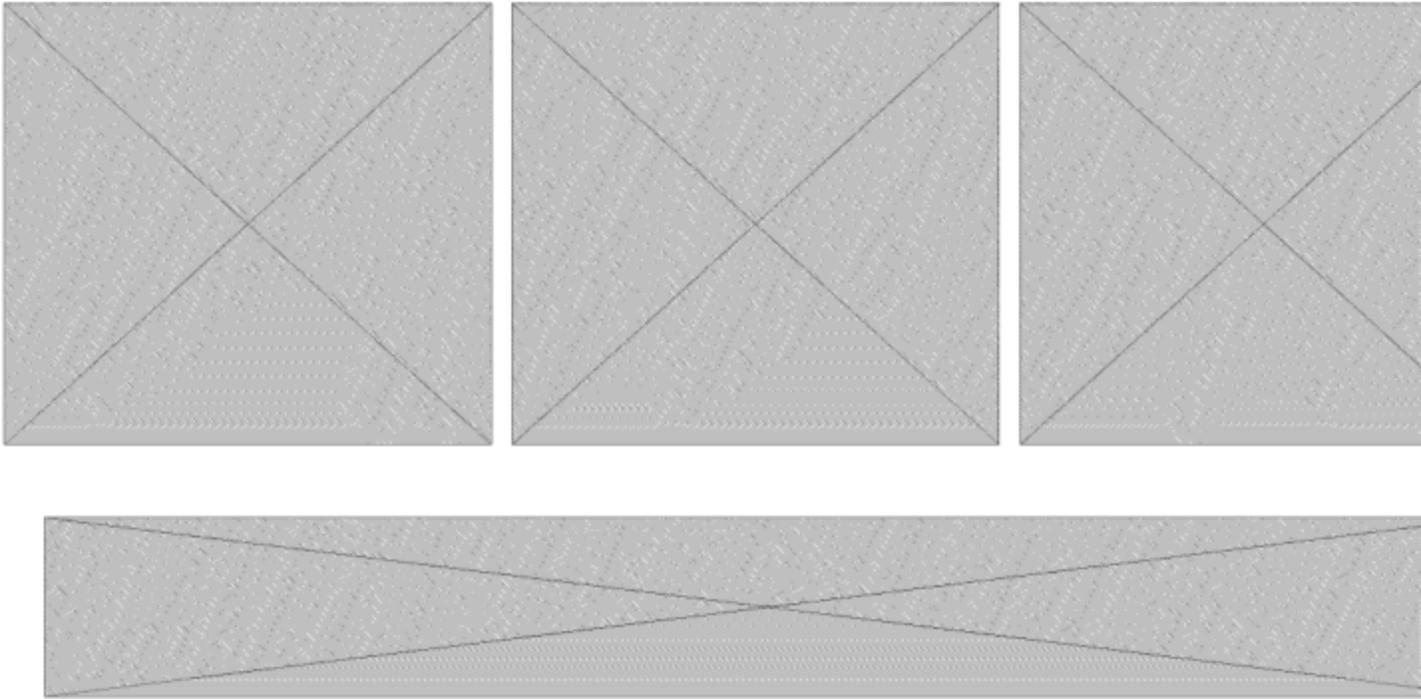
## A New Houzz Survey Reveals What You Really Want in Your Kitchen

Let's talk about two of everyone's favorite subjects: you and your kitchen. In a recent Houzz survey, we asked homeowners to answer a series of questions about their kitchen remodeling plans. The results are in and, wow,... more »



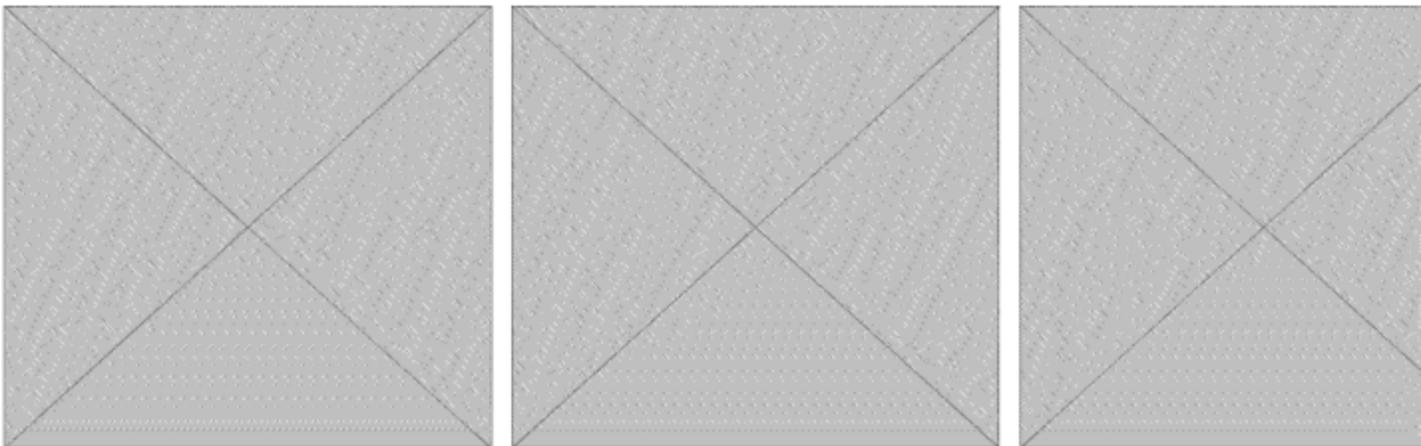
## Houzz Tour: A Half-Demolished Structure Becomes a Fresh, Modern Home »

It's not every day that a design-build team gets to be their own client. But when Nathan and Bettina Waller, who manage the Sydney-based residential renovations company Capital Building, found a half-demolished structure... more »



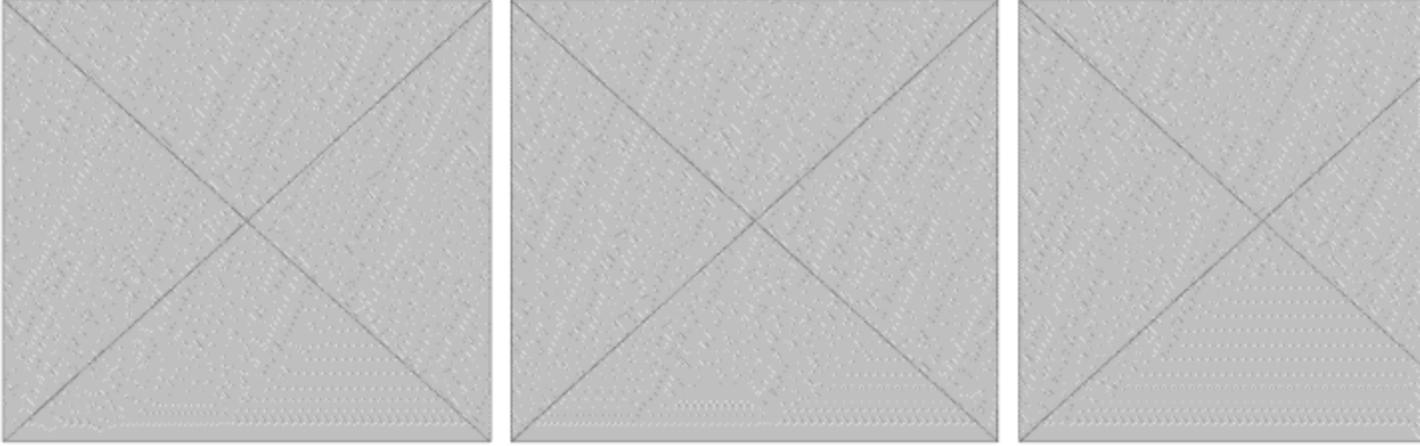
## The Future of Home Automation: Cheap, Wearable and Mobile! »

Home automation today is expensive and complex, and tends to be composed of proprietary solutions that have to be installed by experts. Very quickly, however, that model is being replaced by something else entirely. A wide... more »



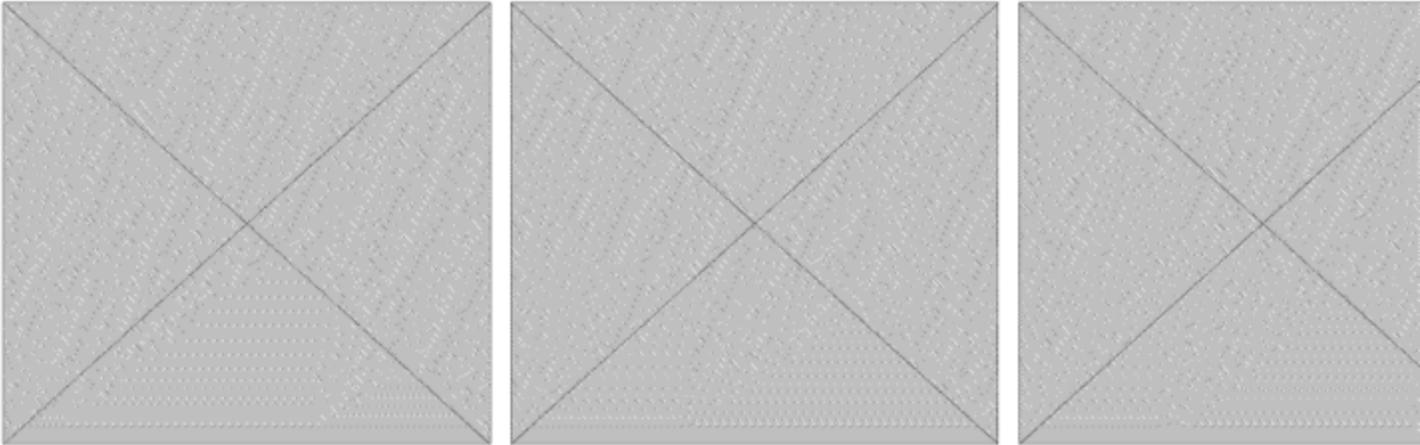
## In Praise of Silliness »

As I tossed and turned the other night, worrying about whether to spring for a cowhide rug or stick with sisal, I could but wonder: Why was I taking my home so seriously? Sure, decorating is expensive. But so is... more »



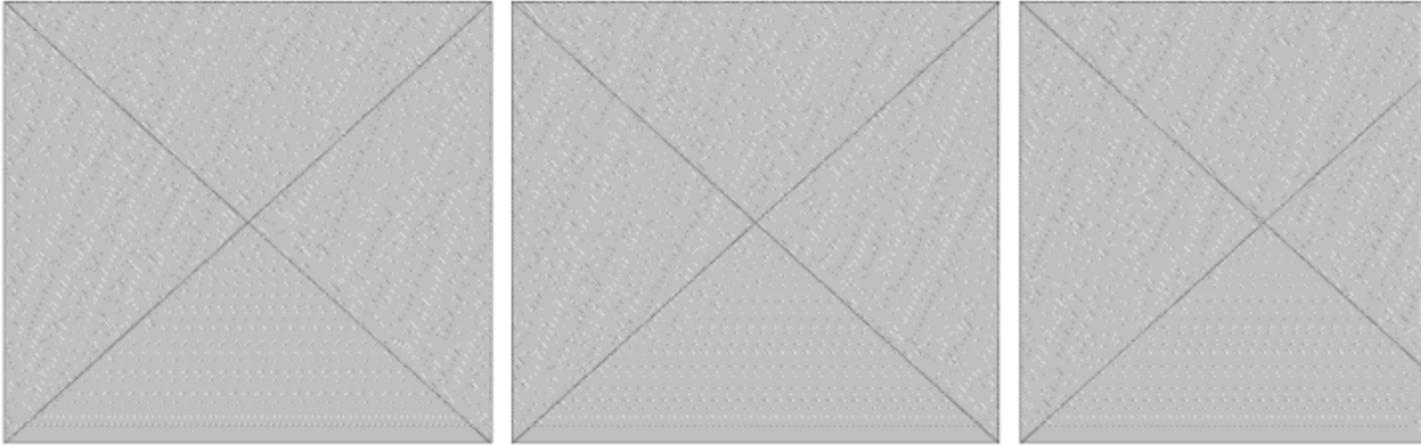
## 7 Things to Do Before You Move Into a New House »

Our son and daughter-in-law just purchased their first home. It's in a location that allows an easy commute into Boston where our son works, and is just a few towns away from where his wife works. The house is in a older... more »



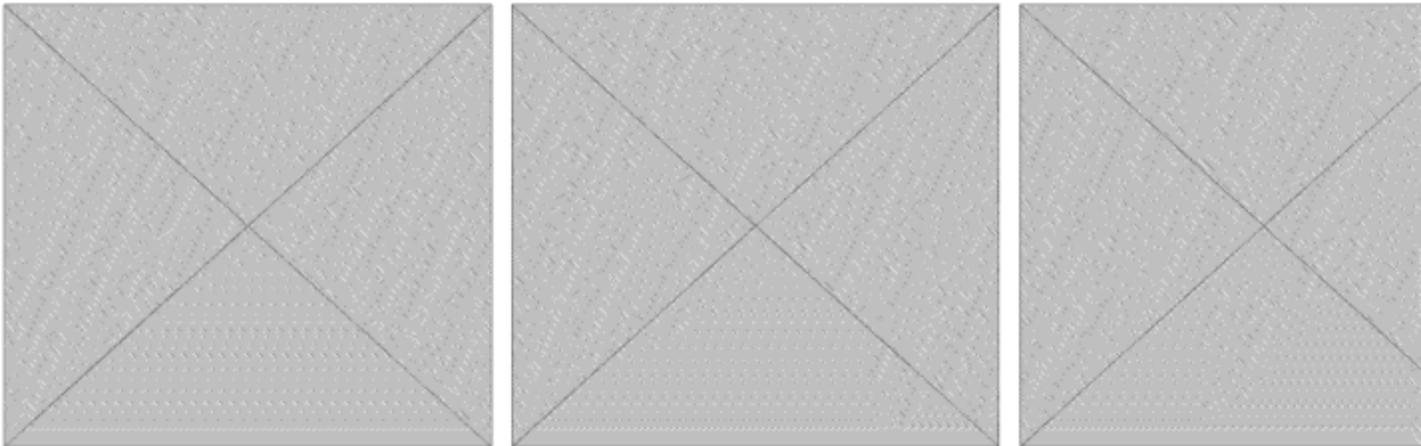
## Pro Chefs Dish on Kitchens: Paul Kahan Shows His Urban Sanctuary

Chicago chef Paul Kahan is fresh from a recent kitchen remodel; the paint was drying on the walls while I took pictures. He codesigned his kitchen with his wife, Mary Klonowski, and general contractor Nate Loevy. Using Seattle... more »



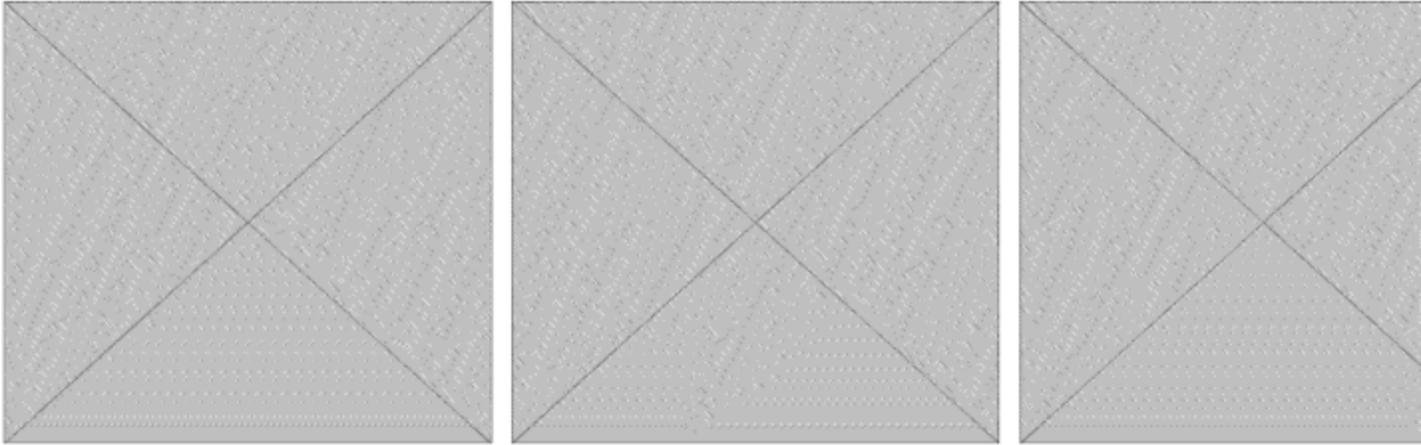
## Smart Shopper: How to Choose a Dining Chair »

In Grandma's day, newlyweds started out their marriages with a matching dining table and chairs. You never had to worry if the pieces worked together. But the results were so predictable, they induced drowsiness faster than... [more »](#)



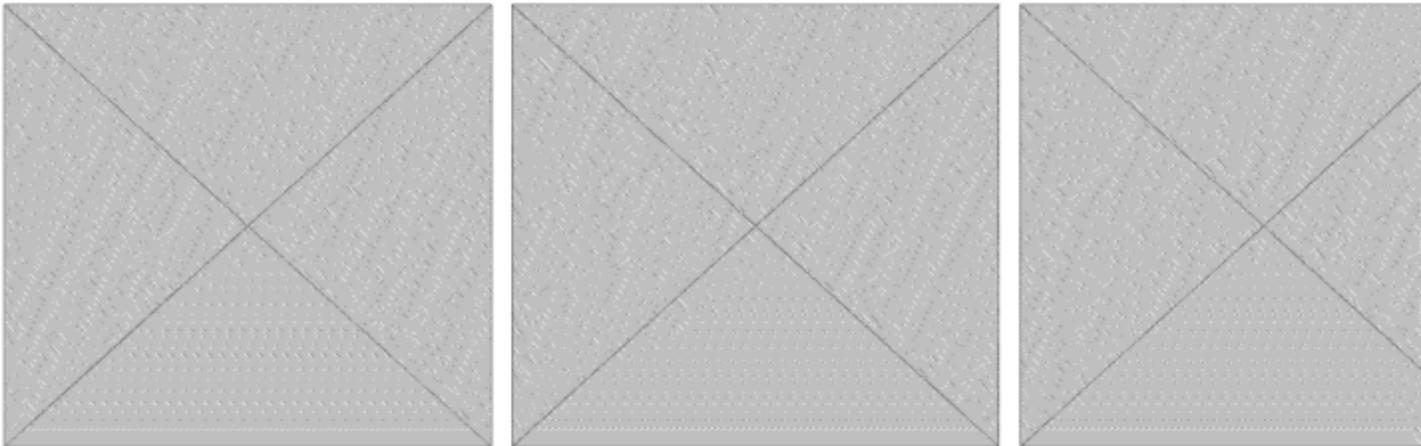
## Easy Reference: Standard Heights for 10 Household Details »

I have had hours of meetings throughout the years about the right height for countertops, tables, pendant lights and more. Some heights are standard, while others may be specific to a client's request. Here I'll talk about... [more »](#)



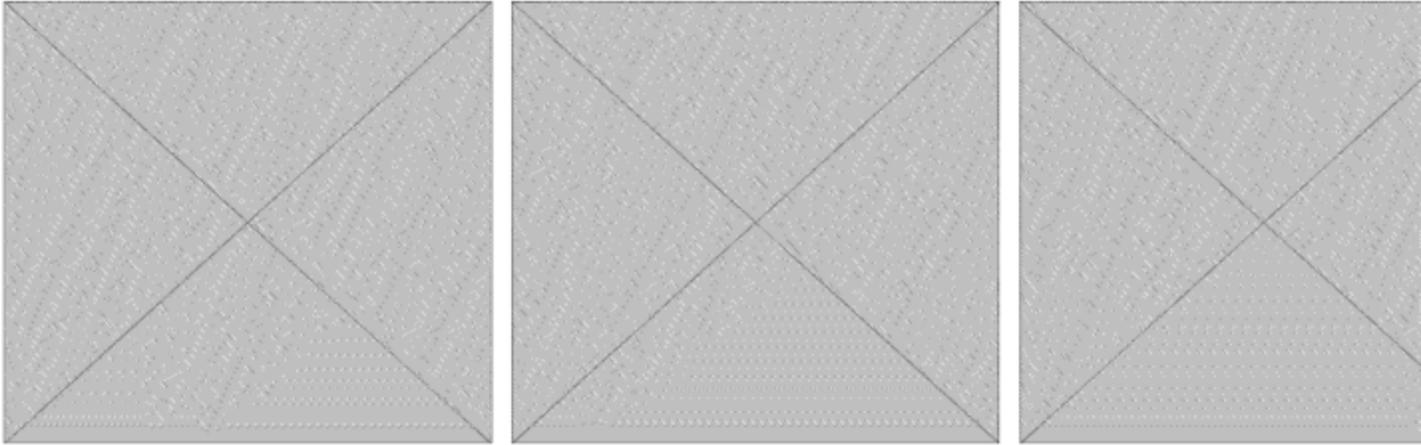
## Give Your Home a History by Telling Your Story »

Great interior design has nothing to do with the amount of money you spend. It has to do with how well your home tells your story. Successful design inspires curiosity and makes your family and guests feel nurtured. It makes... more »



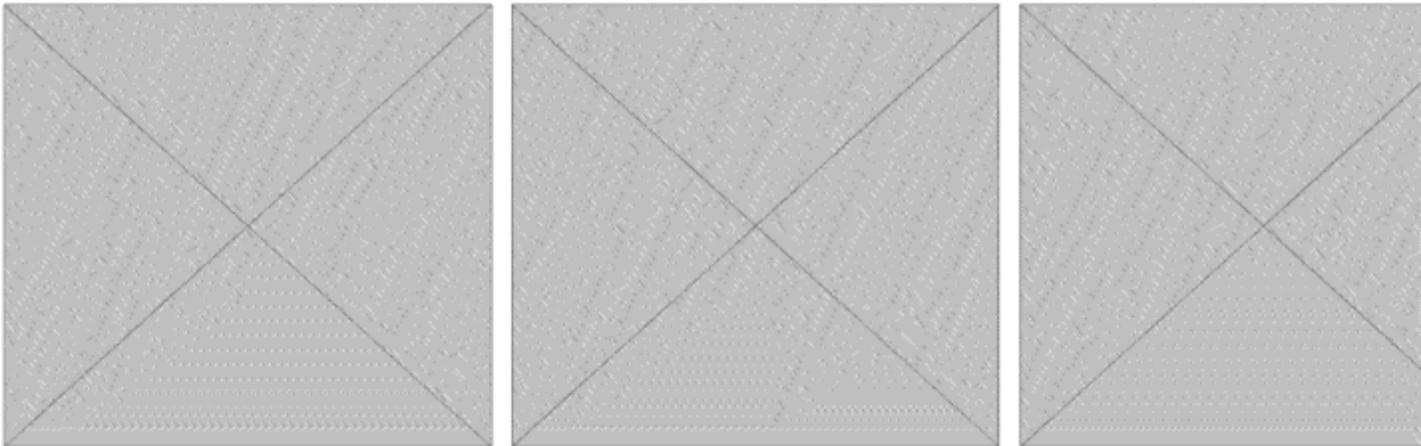
## Dreaming in Color: 8 Ravishing Red Bedrooms »

I'm not a morning person, so I'll take any help I can get for waking up early and feeling motivated to start my day. Red is an attention-getting hue, so it's a great color for those who need assistance getting revved... more »



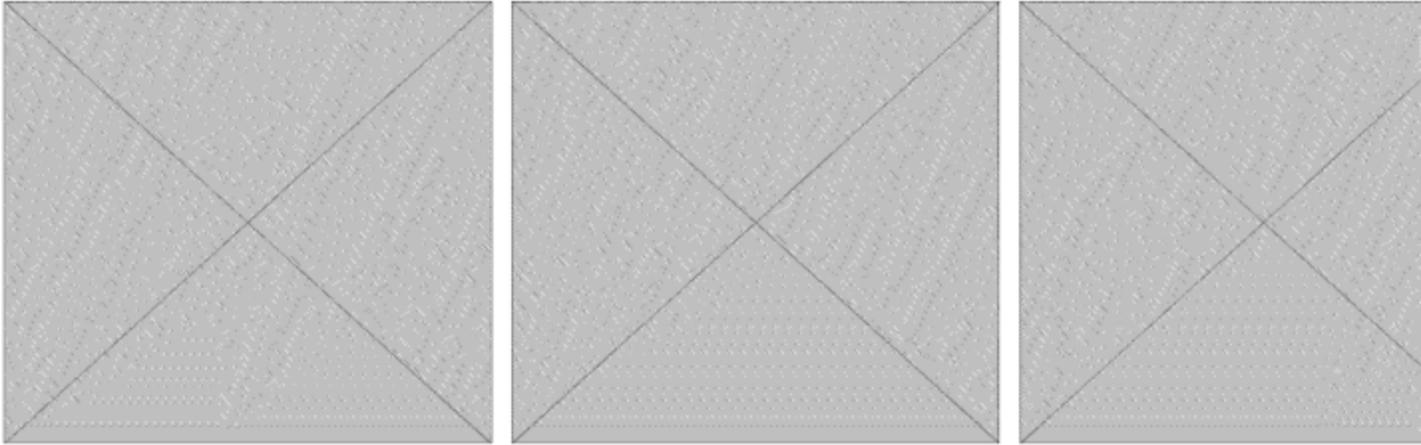
## Houzz Tour: Refined Casual Style for a Gracious Farmhouse »

This Georgia couple enjoyed their lakeside country vacation house so much that they decided to live there. While the 1960s prefab cabin was all they needed for relaxed weekend stays, it was not suitable for full-time... more »



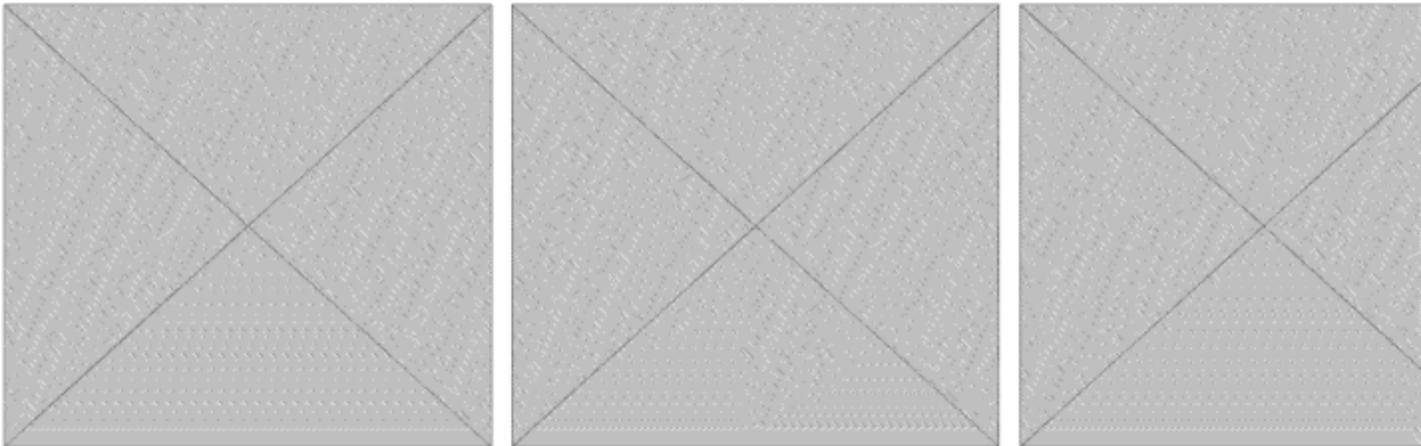
## Architectural Wonders: Postcards From Singapore »

On a recent trip to Singapore to attend the World Architecture Festival, I was able to spend a day checking out some architecture the island city has to offer. The recent architecture of the clean, safe and modern... more »



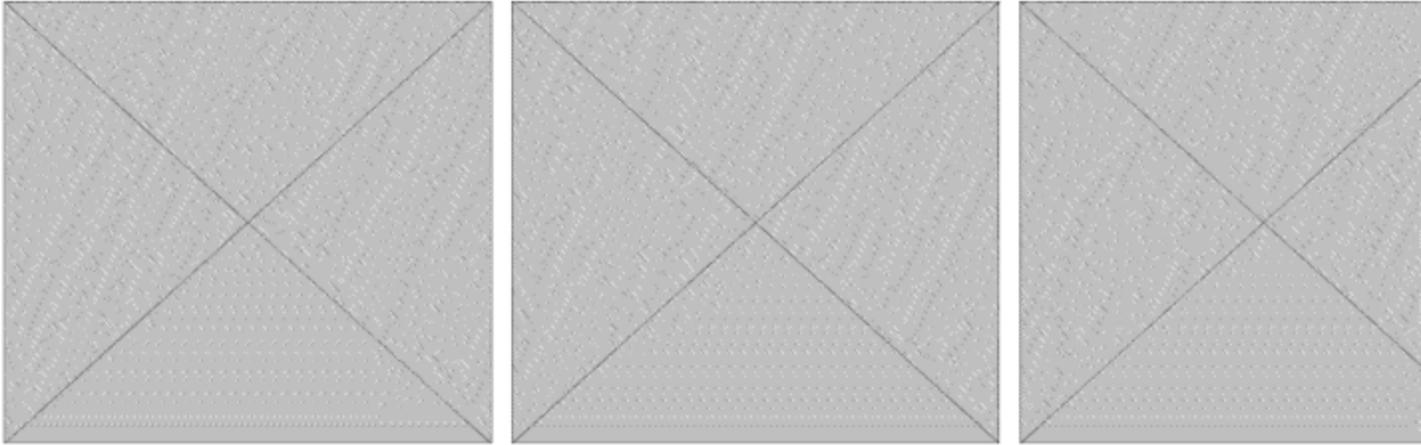
## My Houzz: Color and Heirlooms Combine in a Welcoming Bungalow

Priscilla Rieves started giving her husband, Mark, decorating advice before they were even dating. When he bought a 1921 bungalow in Dallas' Vickery Place, a historical neighborhood, he'd ask coworkers for decorating ideas... more »



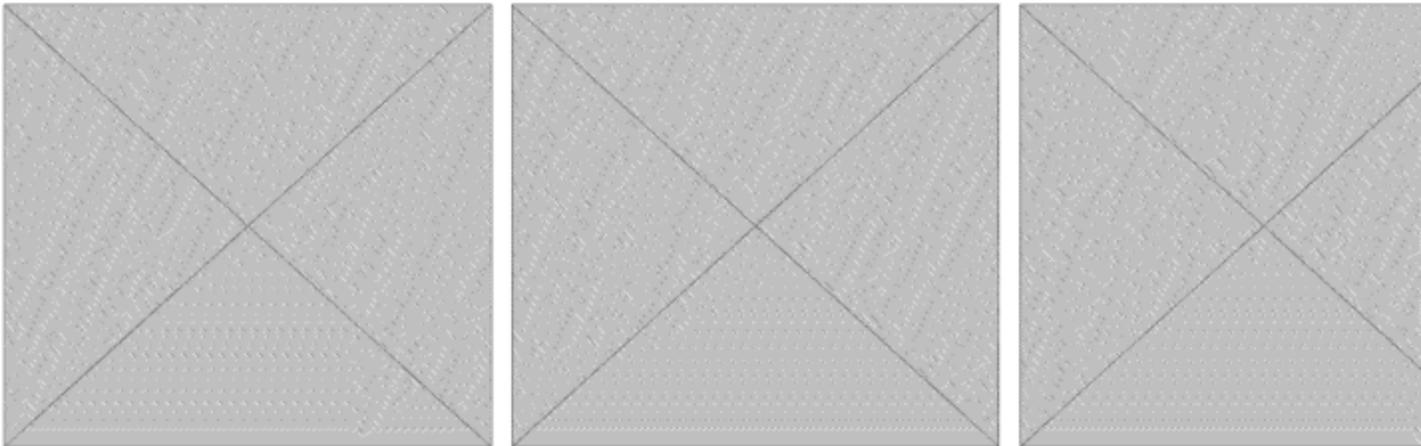
## 4 Farm-Fresh Chicken Coops in Urban Backyards »

I learned this month that many of my fellow Atlantans are cooping it up right here in the city, gathering fresh eggs in their own backyards. Speaking with chicken keepers during The Wyld Center's 6th Annual Urban Chicken... more »



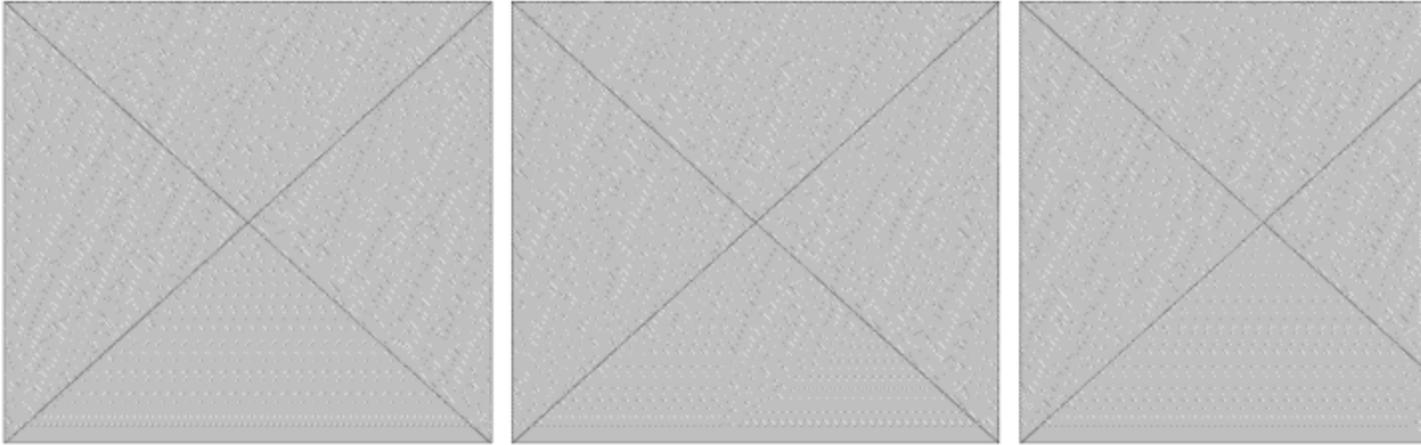
## Ways to Keep Pets Comfy-Cozy at Home »

There's a briskness in the air. That means it's time to cozy up your home for the pets. Sure, the human household members are important, but we can't deny our furry housemates those same creature comforts we enjoy. Here... [more »](#)



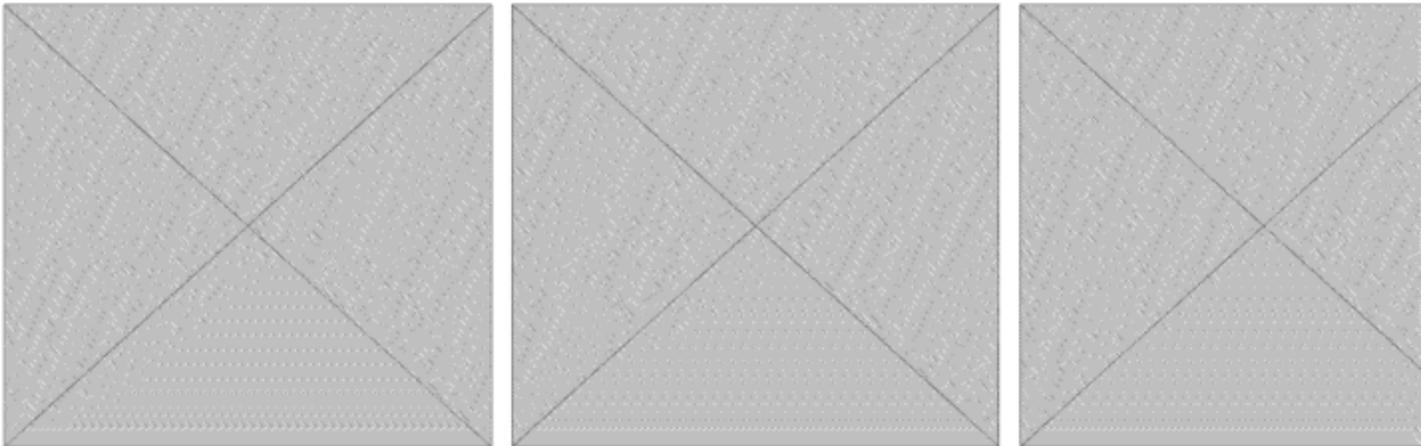
## How to Dress Tall Windows »

Recently I discussed what to do with soaring ceilings. Well, that dilemma usually comes with another particular challenge: towering windows. While window coverings provide a range of functions — privacy, light control,... [more »](#)



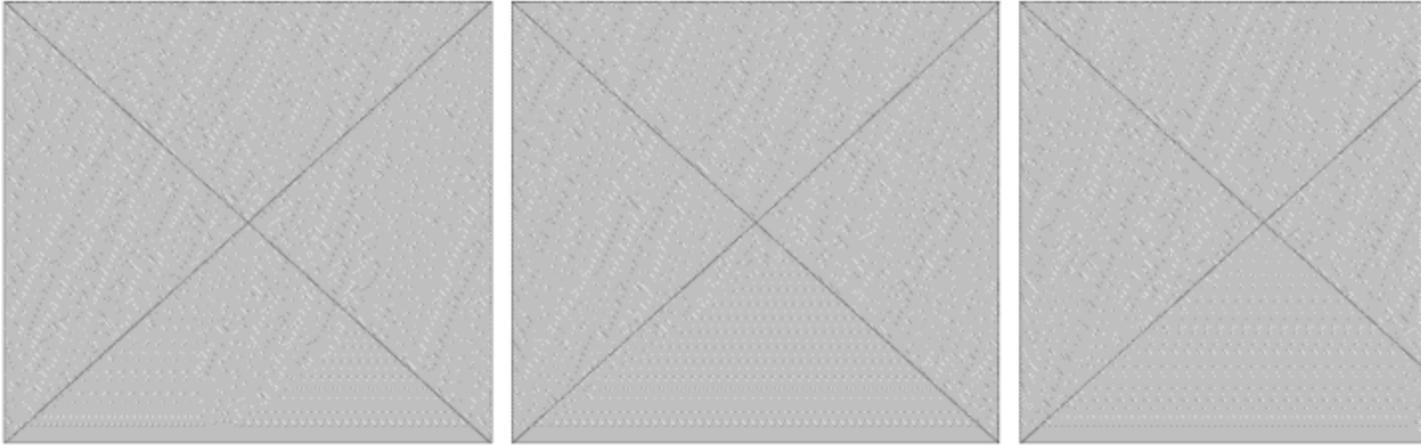
## Dare to Decorate With Colorful Upholstery »

We all know the merits of choosing neutral hues for big-ticket purchases like upholstered furniture. But what do you do when that beige linen sofa and white slipcovered armchair just aren't doing it for you anymore? Could... [more »](#)



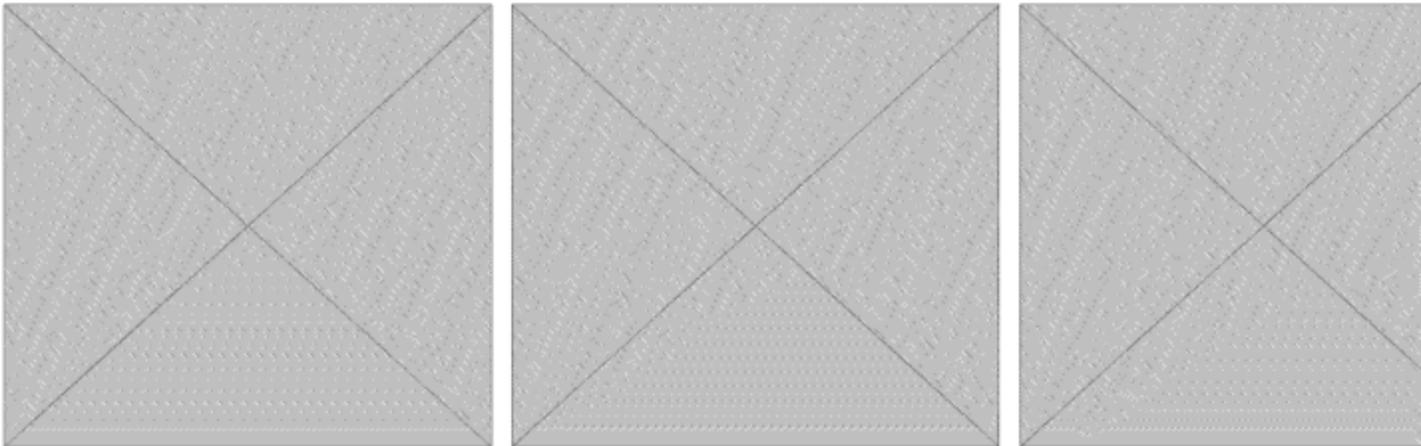
## 8 Stunning and Soothing Shower Designs »

Modern amenities for the shower such as rain heads, body jets, steam showers and hand wands allow you to easily wash away the stress of the day. Take a look at these incredible spaces — from a stained-glass surround, to... [more »](#)



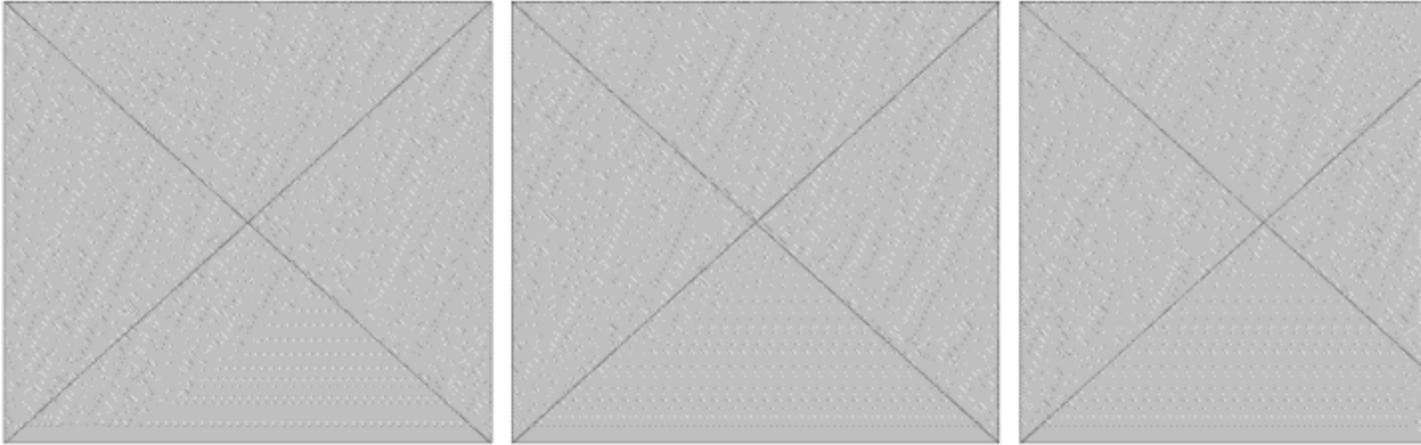
## How to Use Mirrors for More Light and Style »

Mirrors are a decorator's best friend, and with good reason — a well-placed mirror makes the most of a room's natural light, enhances views, opens a small space and adds oomph to decor. The key lies in pairing the right... [more »](#)



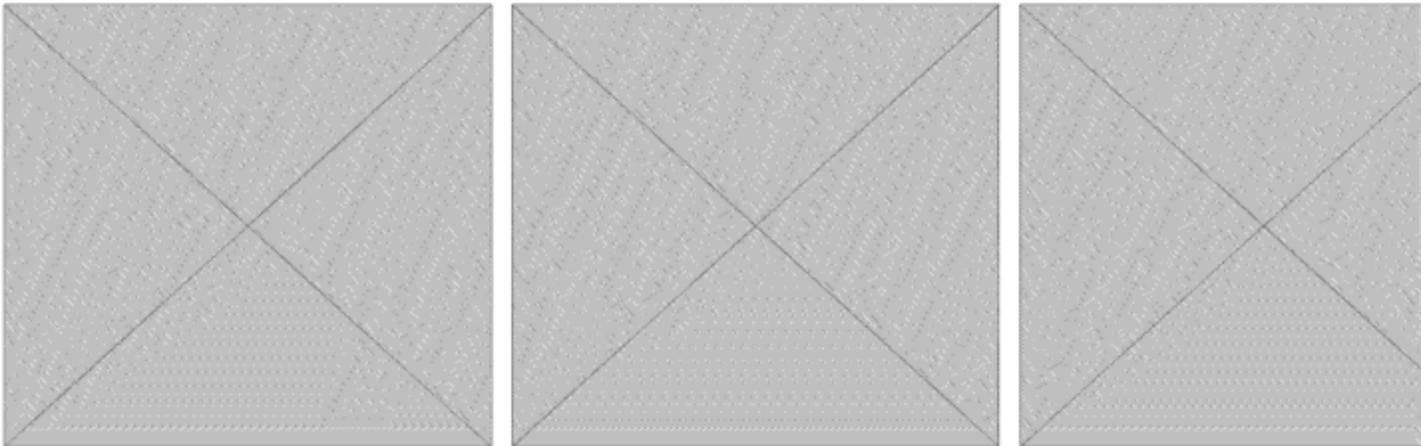
## Great Garden Combo: A Fall Landscape Scene That Lasts »

Fall is one of the most exciting seasons in the garden, when we can take advantage of the many fall foliage superstars to create a framework for late-blooming perennials. Rather than thinking in terms of selecting a favorite... [more »](#)



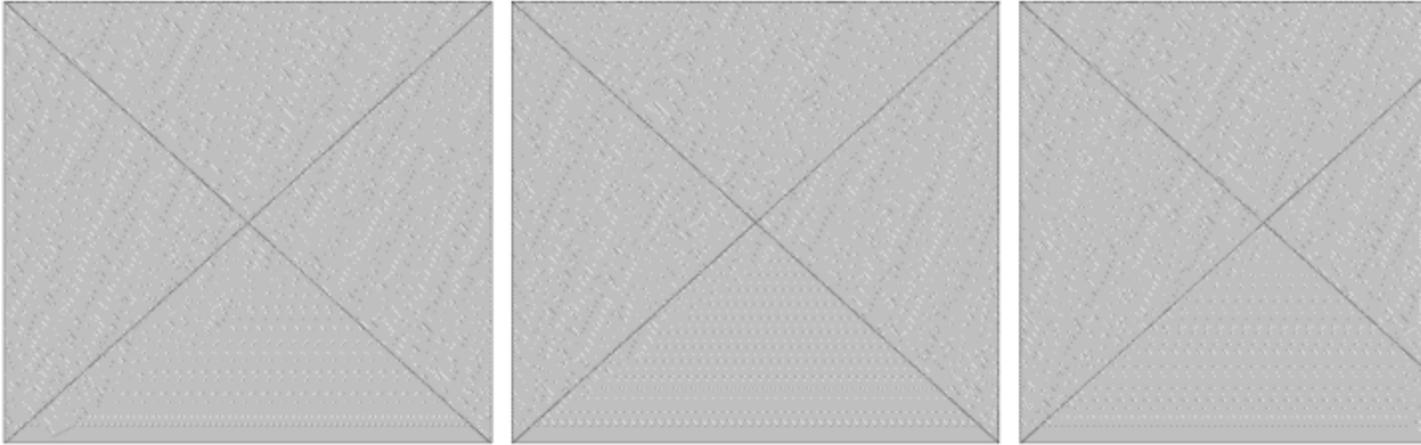
## 10 Accessories Worth Buying for Fall and Beyond »

Tweaking your decor each season can be a great way to keep your home feeling current and satisfy your urge to ne without blowing your budget on big-ticket items. The problem? Each year retailers roll out tons of new seasonally...



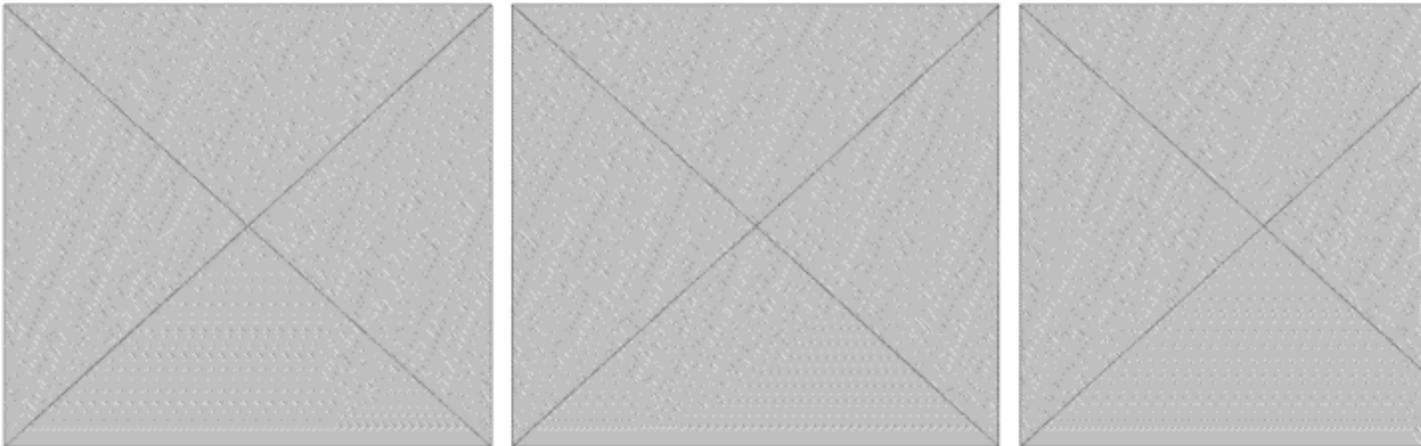
## Inviting Kids Into the Kitchen: Suggestions for Nurturing Cooks »

Did you know there is an activity you can do with your children that will cultivate personal responsibility and a sense of pride, as well as provide a natural environment for practicing math skills? The best part, unless... more »



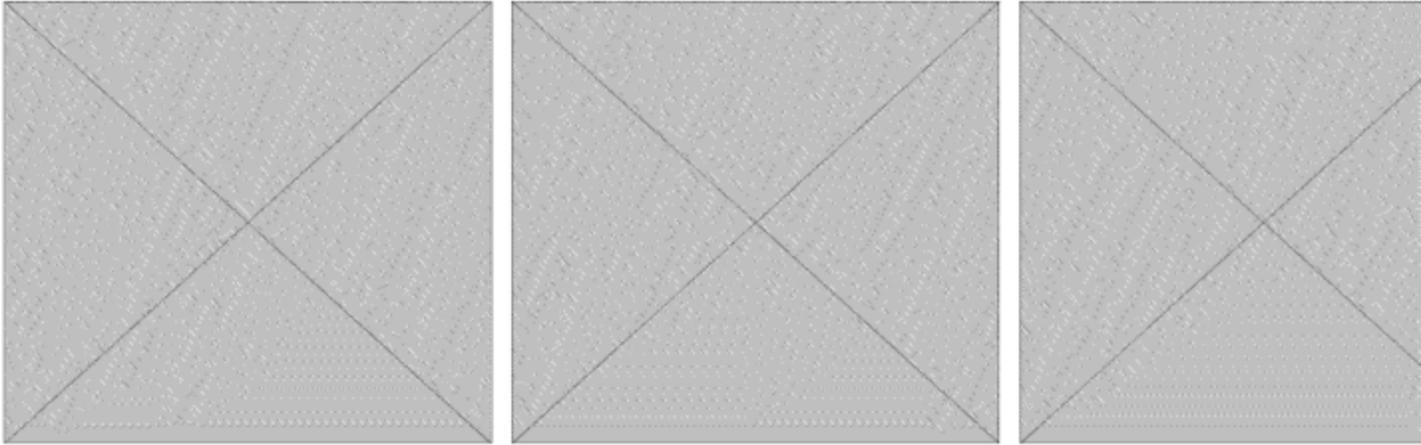
## 5 Great Grasses for a New Lawn »

Lawns have been coming under attack as of late — after all, they are high-maintenance, chemically dependent things. Lawn mowers, right? Yes and no. Much depends on what type of grass you choose, and if you choose the "wrong" ... more »



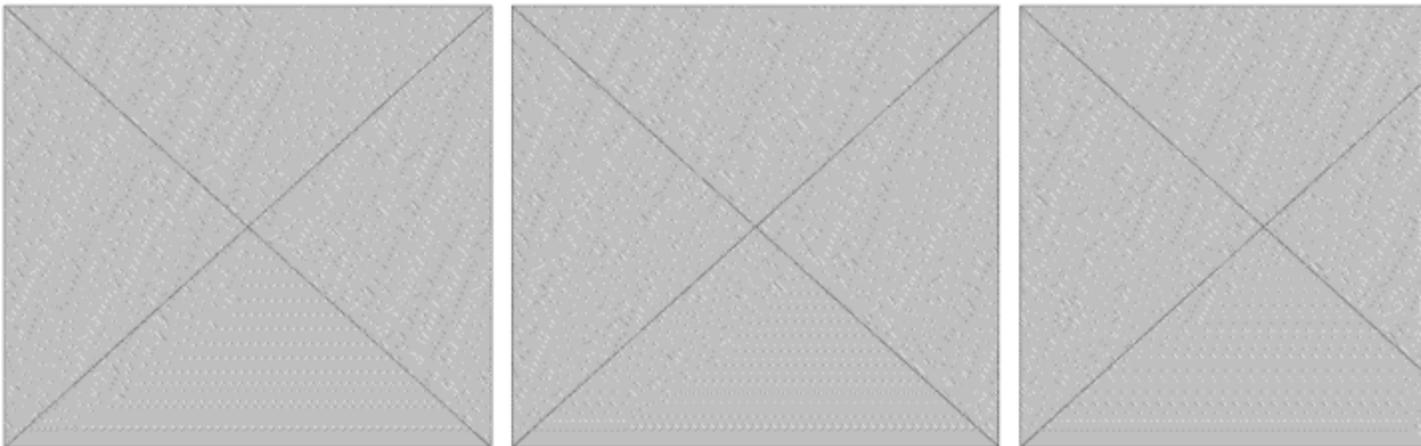
## Woodipedia: Is It Cherry or Is It Alder? »

Stains have made it very easy to color one type of wood to make it look like another kind. But there are two species that really do look alike in their raw state: cherry and alder. Here's how to tell the difference.... more »



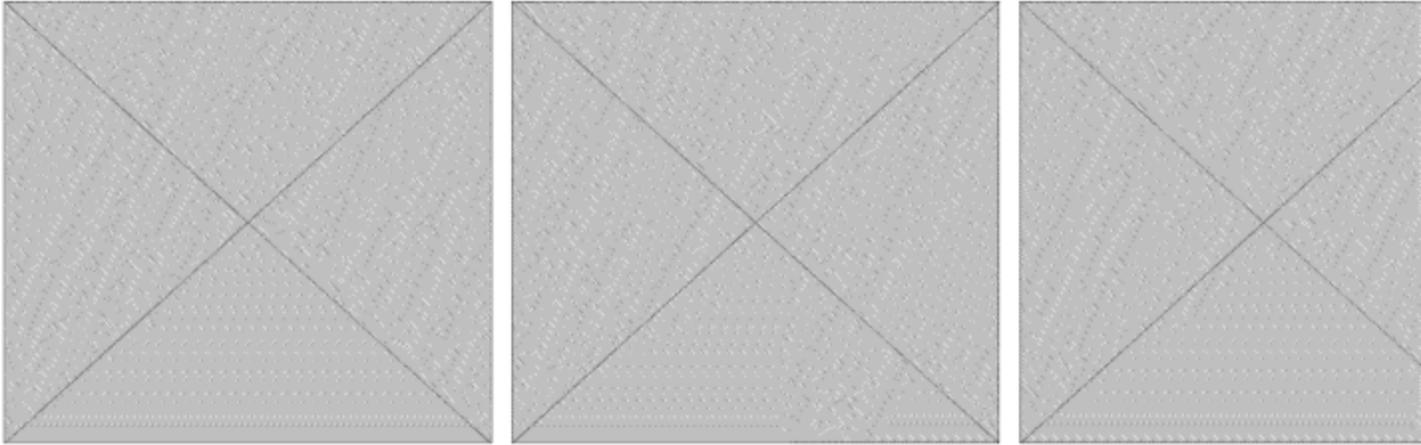
## Treasure Hunting at Texas' First Monday Trade Days »

First Monday Trade Days began as a local horse and produce trade event more than 150 years ago, but has now developed into a shopper's paradise spanning 100 acres. More than 6,000 vendors offer everything from home furnishings... [more »](#)

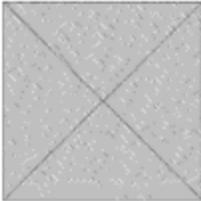


## Autumn Joy: How to Get 3 Months of Fall Flowers »

I've become a bit of an aster hound. There are just so many asters out there that we never hear of or that nurseries sell. And I'm talking native species asters that, when properly sited, will require little care and... [more »](#)

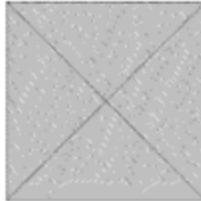


See what Houzzers are working on and add your advice! »



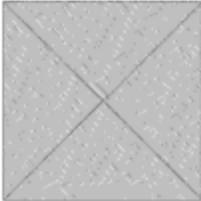
**Favorite Room in your House?** - What's your favorite room in your home? Let us know which room you like to spend... more »

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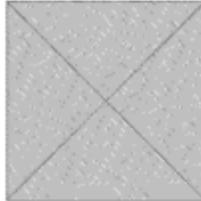
**Minimal Traditional Home**  
This 1942 home is desperate for new paint. The gray roof has...

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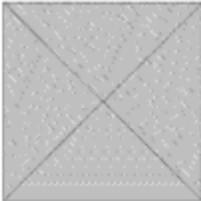
**Help with what to do with this front entrance.** - Is is a hard area as the wall is cut by the stairs and it is... more »

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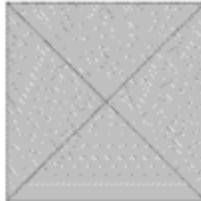
**Need help enclosing a space to a master bedroom -** I have a room there is a staircase that...

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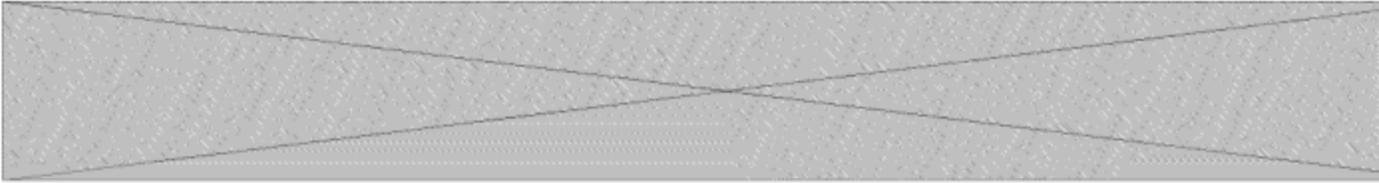
**Have you dealt with a graffiti or tagging issue?** - Graffiti and tagging are not just an issue you see in large...

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**Please help me pick a color for my front door.** - The roof is being painted brown. I've included a...

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