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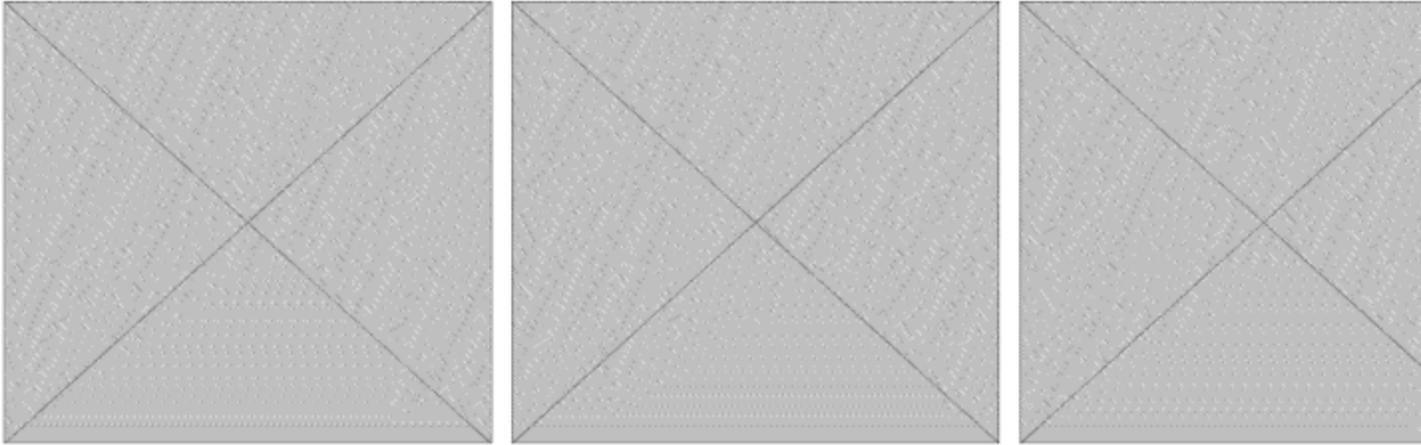
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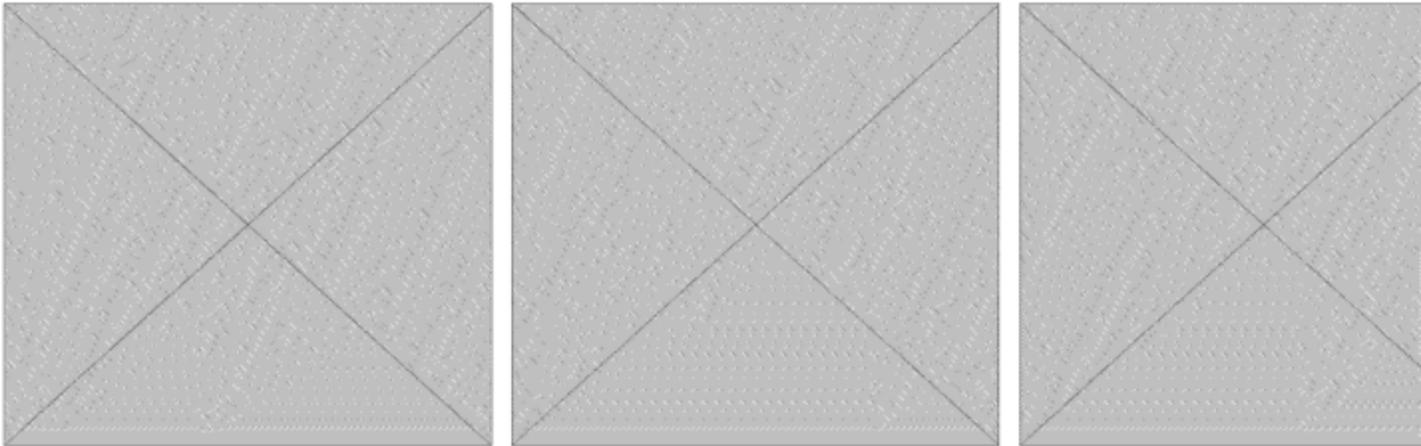
## My Houzz: Many Styles Meld Handsomely in a Vermont Countryside Home »

For the modern-meets-traditional-farmhouse design of his New England house, Michel Ciambra owes a lot to Page McConnell, the longtime keyboardist for jam band Phish. No, the groovy tunes didn't help Ciambra free his mind and the aesthetic.... more »



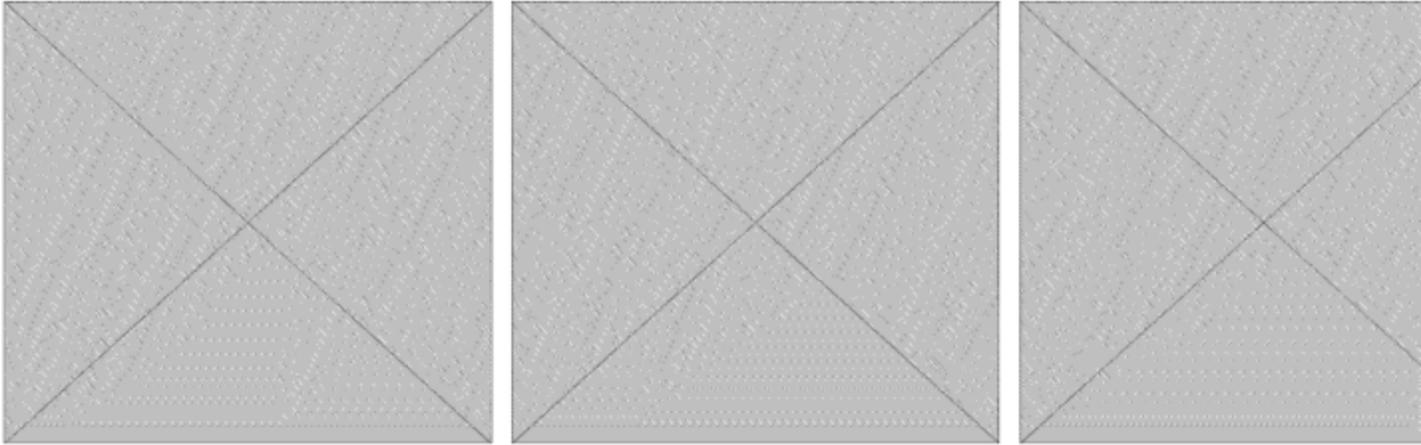
## Breakthrough Budgeting Info: The Houzz Real Cost Finder Is Here »

No matter what your home remodeling budget — small, average, sky's the limit — it's important to have a plan. Home projects can be full of unexpected costs, and the prices people pay for things like materials and labor differ from city to city. [Learn more »](#)



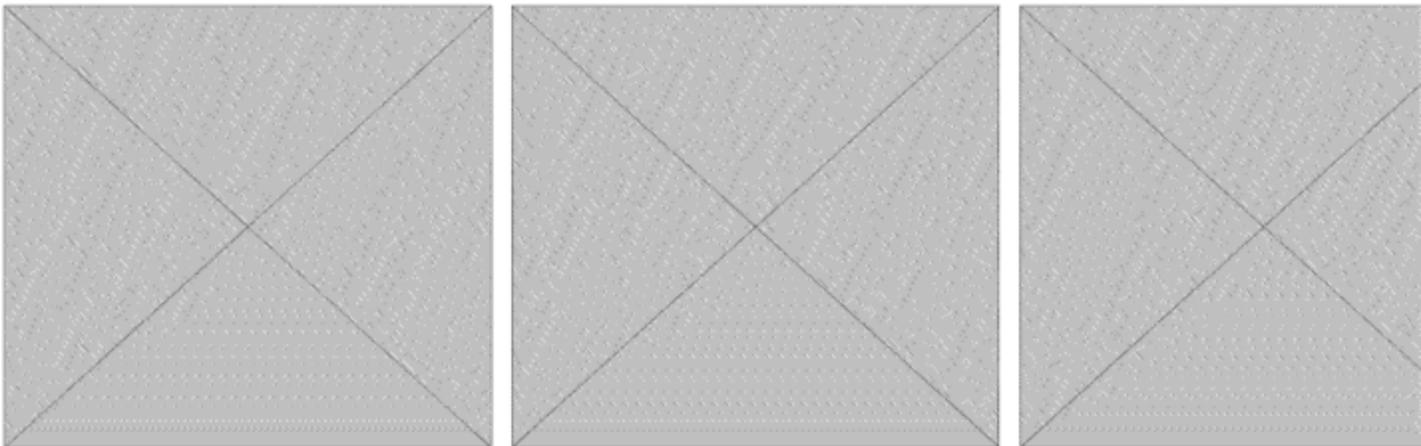
## Pick-a-Paint Help: How to Create a Whole-House Color Palette

After looking at ways to work through paint-color procrastination and how to find color inspiration all around you, we're ready to tackle the last, and possibly most challenging, part of our color series: the whole-house paint palette. If... [more »](#)



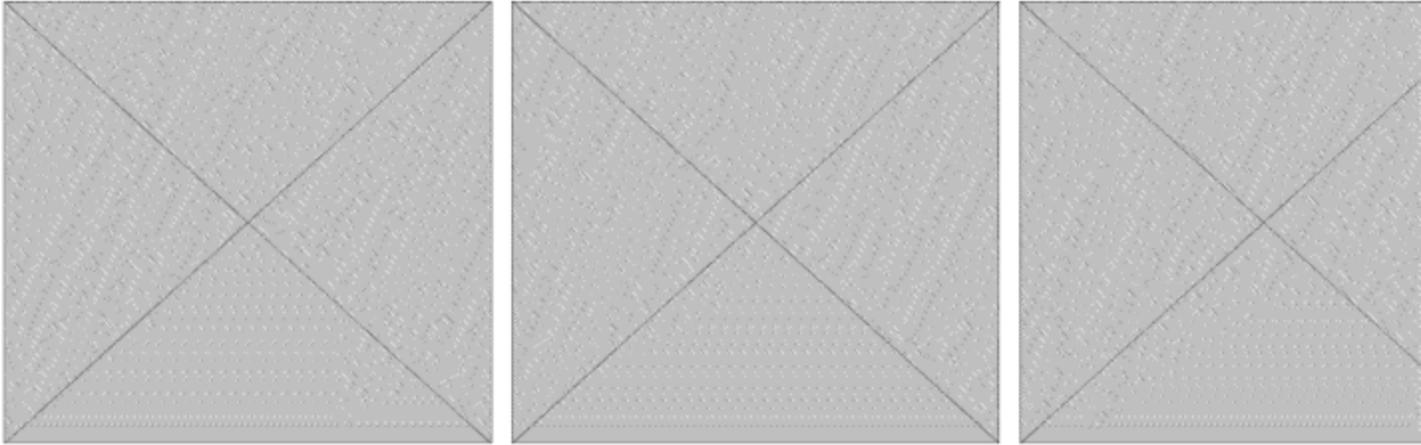
## **Bathed in Color: When to Use Pink in the Bath »**

I may not have been a pink-loving girly girl in my younger years, but lately I've seen some fantastic uses of the color in bathrooms, and they've given me a new appreciation for the striking hue. Pink doesn't need to be limited to little girls' rooms — here are some ideas to inspire you. [Read more »](#)



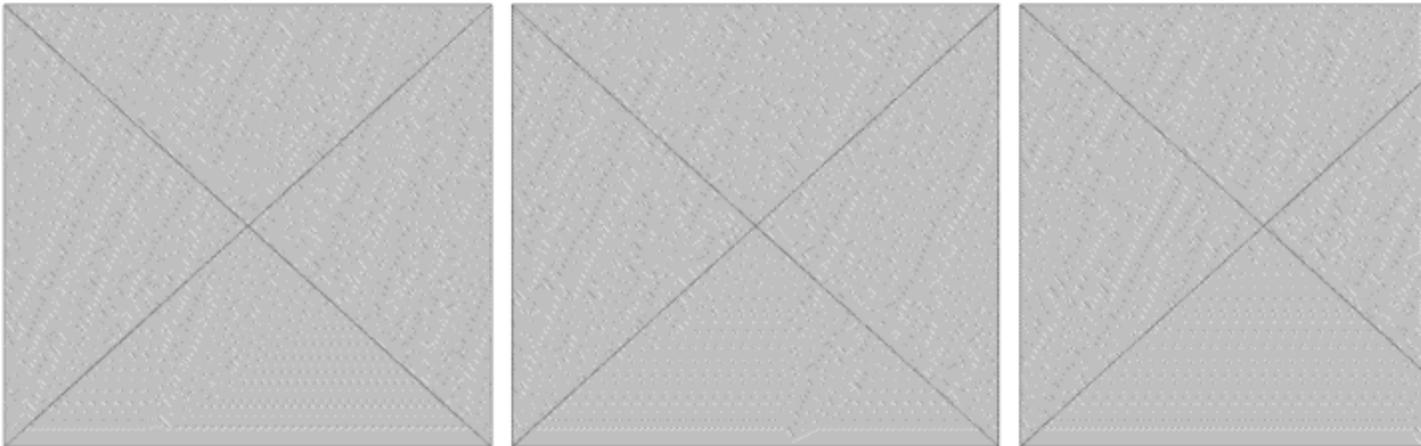
## **Your Home-Selling Guide for a Faster and Better Sale »**

Buyers can be unpredictable, but there are some key things you can do to help pique people's interest as soon as they walk through the door — or before. Great photography, strategic staging and amazing curb appeal can improve the way you sell your home. [Read more »](#)



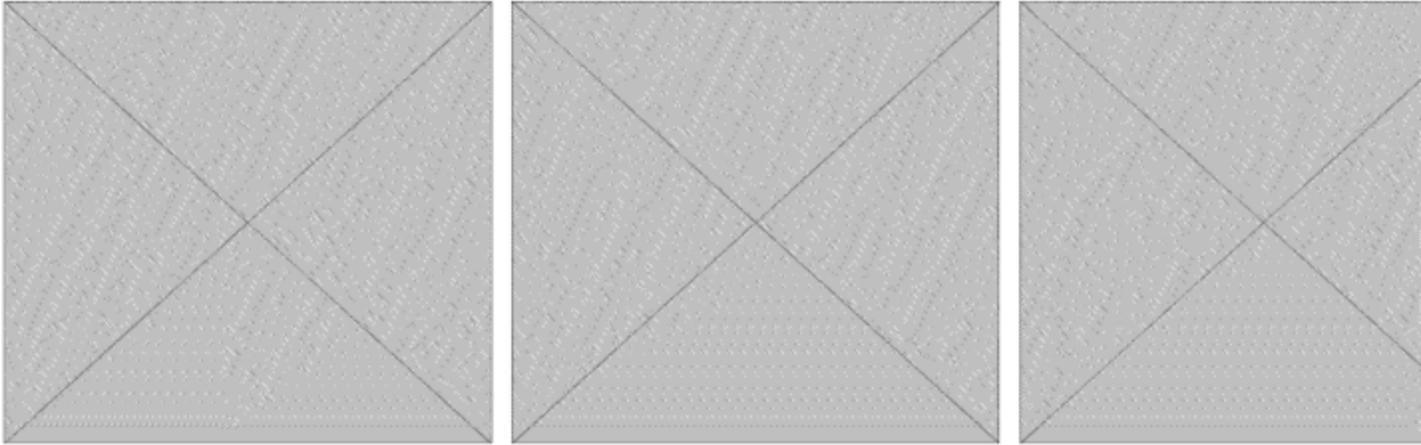
## Turn Off the Video Games and Turn On Your Kid's Creativity »

As an introvert I have an approach to summer fun, and family activities in general, that could be described as relaxed. I'm committed to being charitable in all things, even personal, so let's stick with... more »



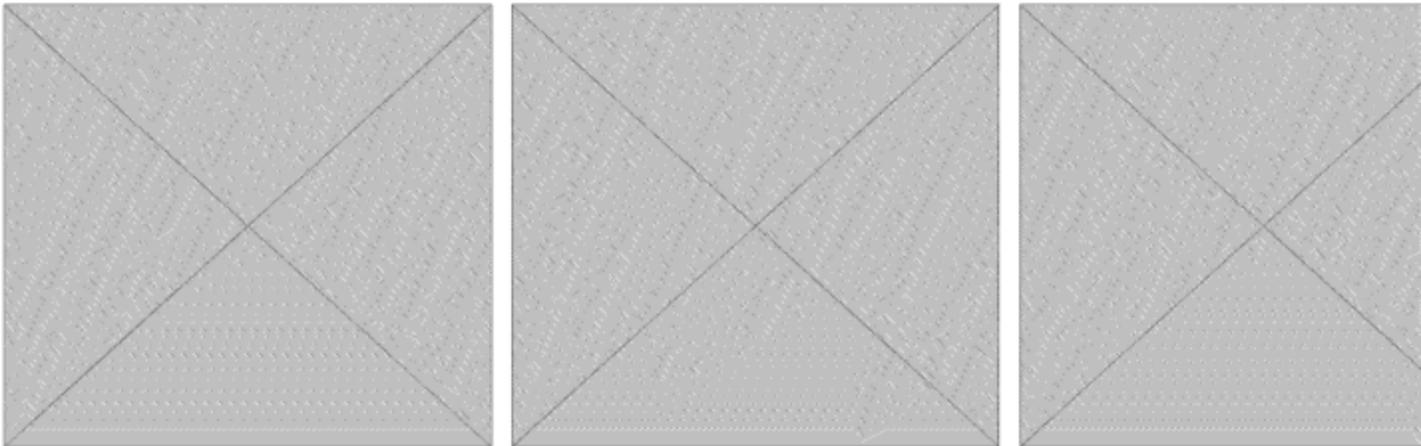
## My Houzz: Amazing 'Steampunk-Rustic-Mechanical Sorta' Style Toronto »

Toronto designer Jamie Cheveldeyoff's home requires a certain suspension of disbelief. That's because suspension is a common theme here. His kitchen island, lamps, bed and even the toilet paper roll all hang from the ceiling. "It's...



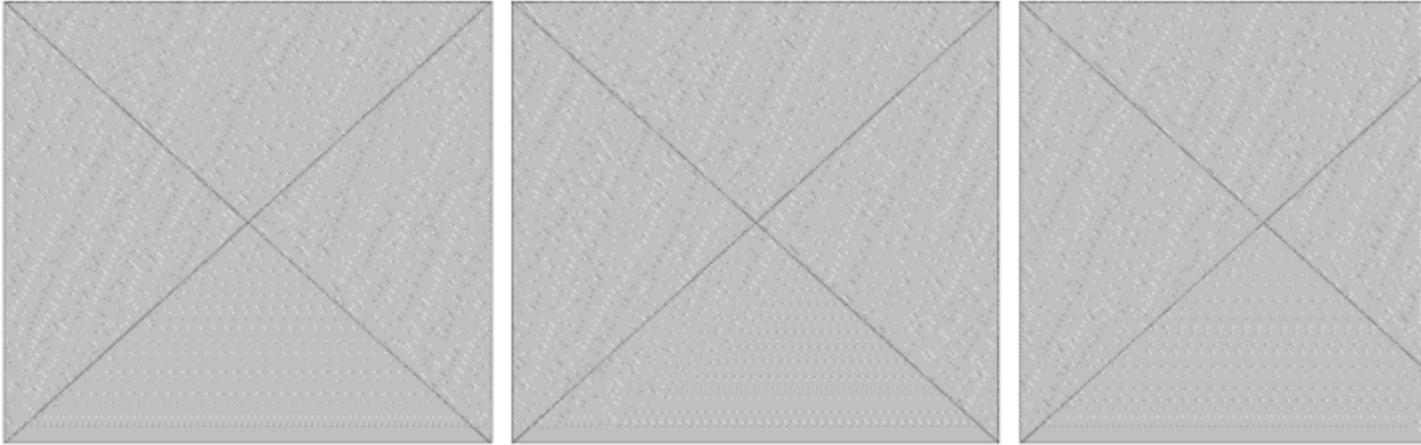
## How to Pick the Right Floor for Your Garden Room »

Every room needs a floor, and outdoor garden rooms are no exception. Paths, decks, patios, overlooks, trash can s pads, lawns, ground cover plantings ... they're all floors. If you can walk on it, store something on it or roll around...



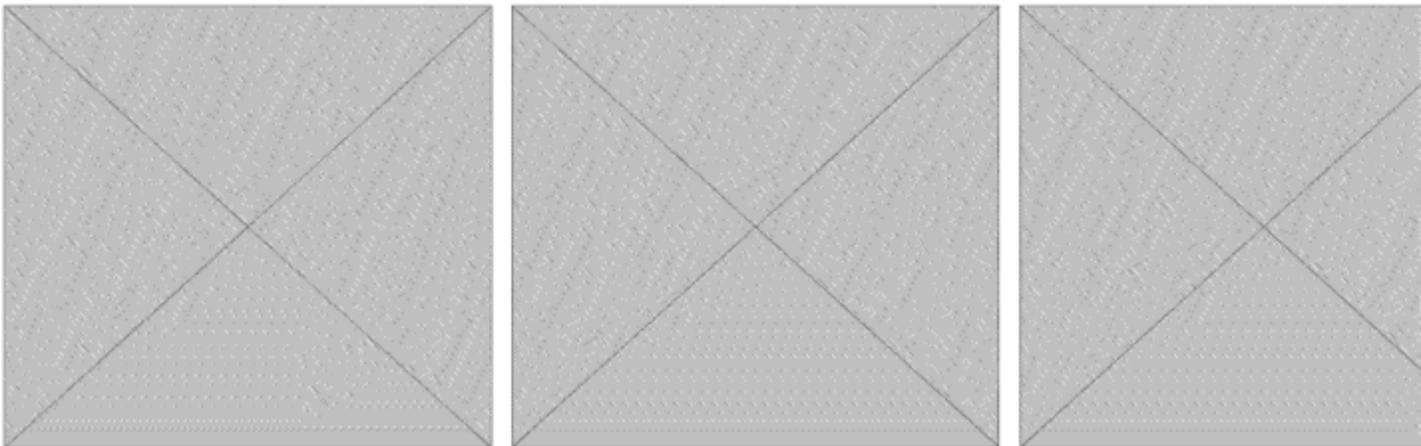
## 6 Artist's Studios That Model Great Design »

I was watching the film Pollock the other day and found myself envying Jackson Pollock's studio in Long Island, New York, as cold and rustic as it was. What a dream, to have a separate studio where one might be inspired to turn the art work into more »



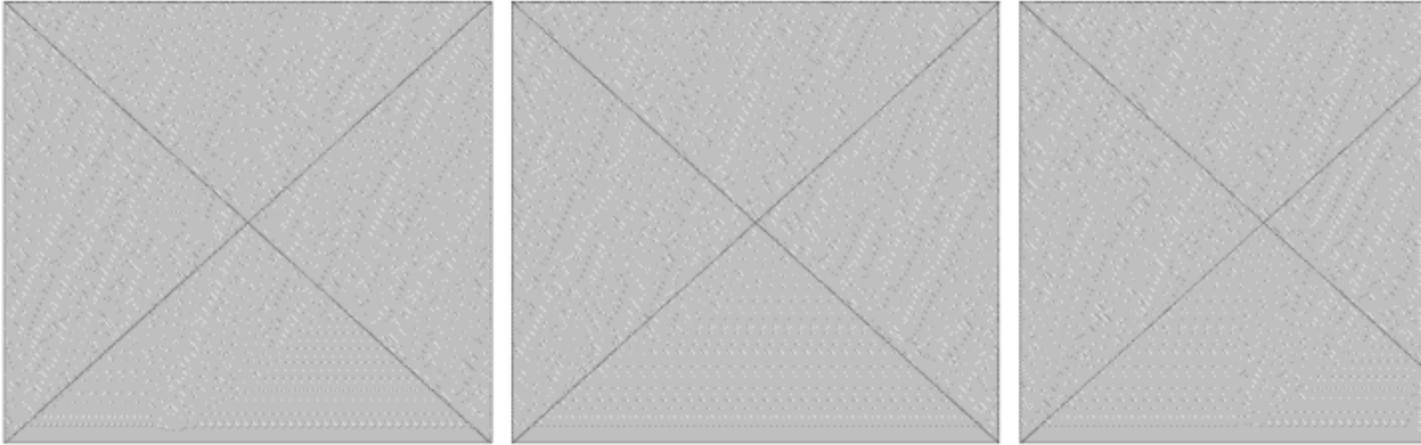
## Neat Little Project: Build a Mail and Message Center »

Even with fewer and fewer pieces coming in the mail nowadays, there are still enough to warrant a special place to bills and magazines that arrive. Add the need for a centralized location for family notes, the occasional coupon and more »



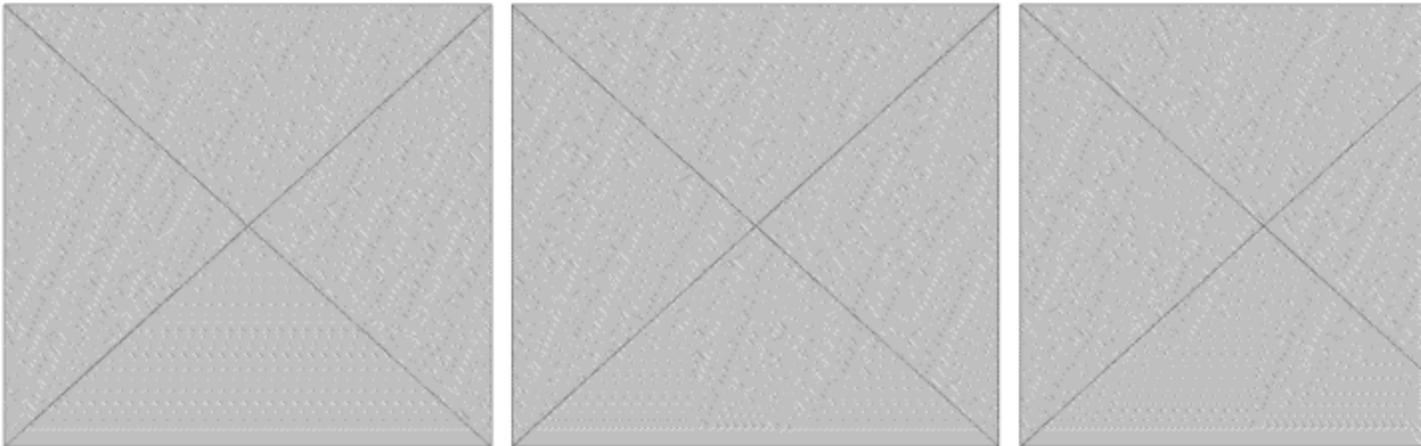
## 8 Ways to Break Out of a Creative Rut »

Most designers hit a creative roadblock at some point or another. Shocking, I know. Yes, we're paid to be creative, we're also human. We have fun designing, but doing so over and over without being repetitive has its challenges. L many... more »



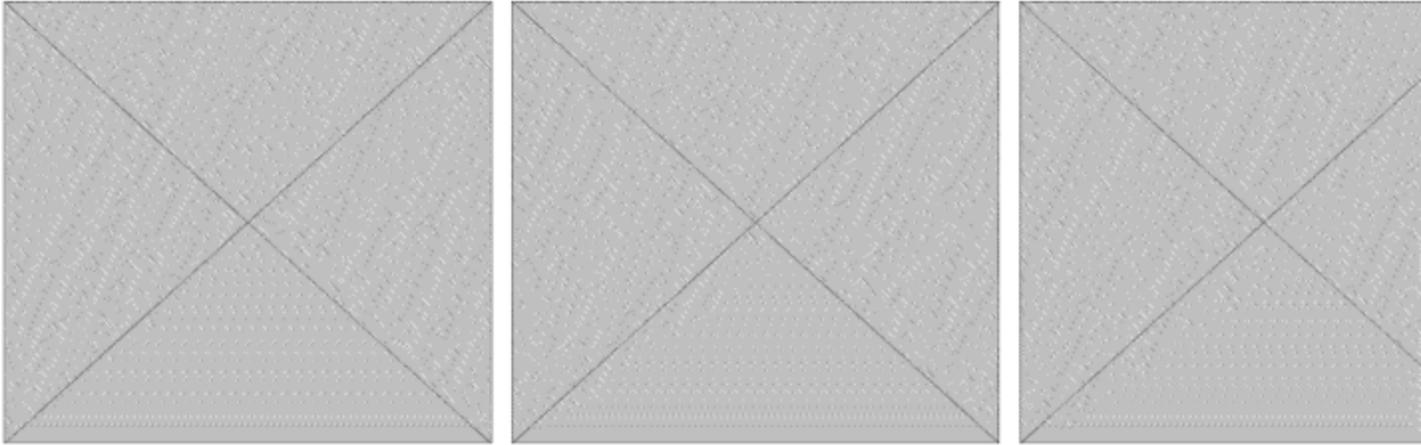
## Transition Time: How to Connect Tile and Hardwood Floors »

Transitioning a bathroom's tile floor to the hardwood of another room is often given little forethought. However, not p the transition can result in a final product that doesn't meet your expectations, or a floor assembly that's destined... r



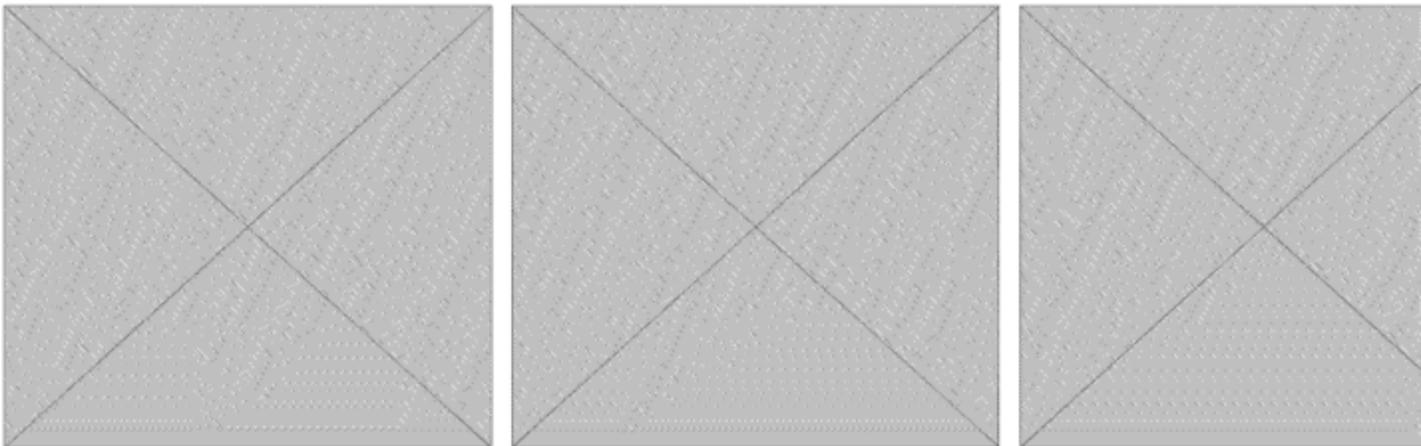
## How to Choose the Perfect Bed Pillow — and Sleep Better »

If you're like most people, you spend about a third of your days asleep (less, perhaps, if you're a new parent or a co student cramming for finals). And the most important piece of the slumber puzzle is your pillow. Choose the wrong more »



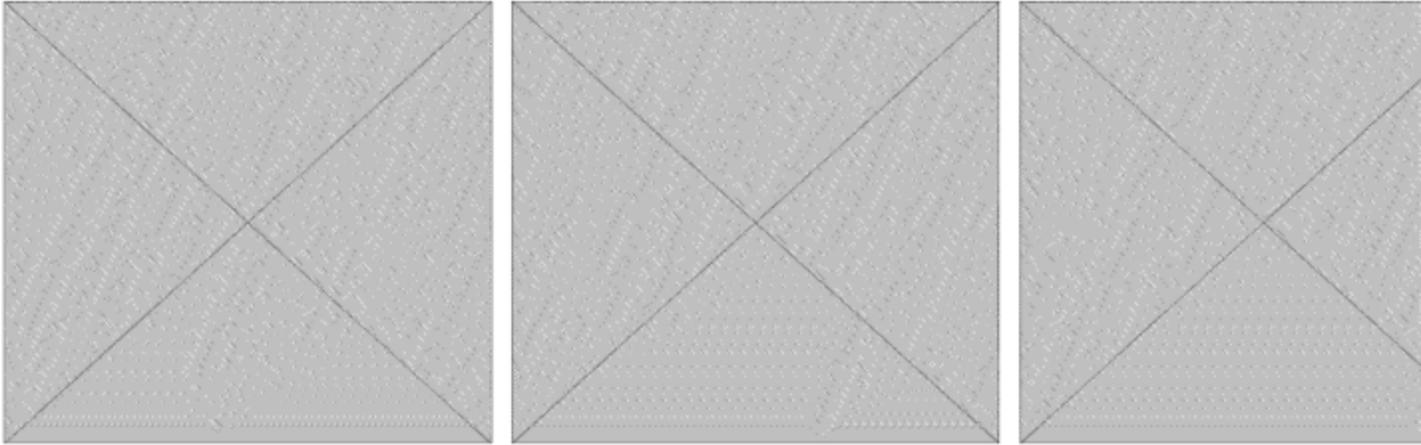
## Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie Triumph Returns »

Frank Lloyd Wright's Prairie-style houses are some of the most recognizable pieces of residential architecture of the 20th century. Realized mainly in the first decade of the last century, the houses have low-pitched roofs, horizontal window bands, and a sense of organic unity. [more »](#)



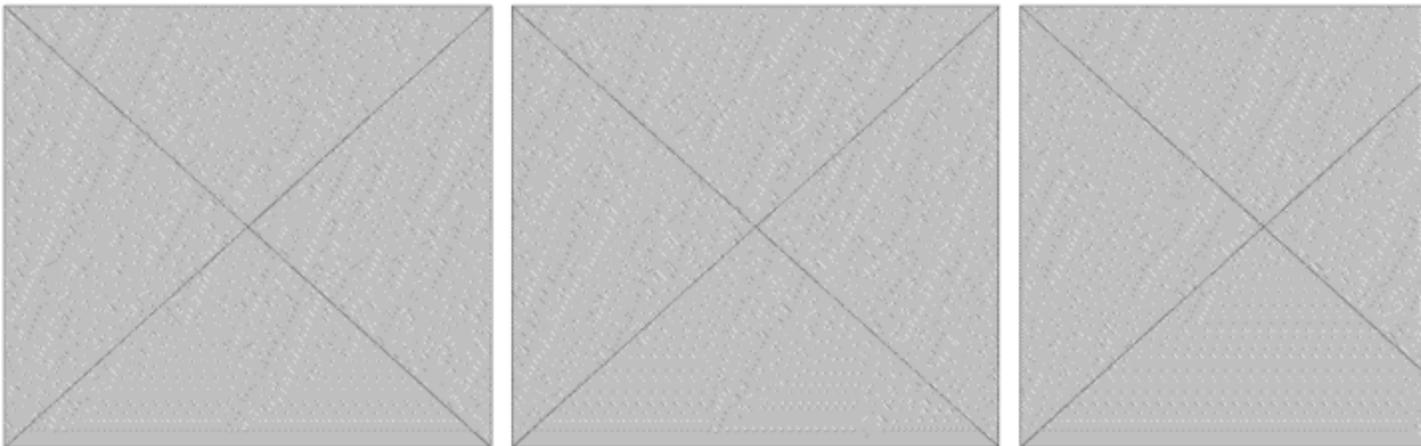
## A Hard Look at Recycled Plastic for the Home »

Plastic has its fair share of health and production concerns, and low recycling rates, due to the complexity of sorting, consumer confusion and pure economics. But it's hard to escape plastic completely. Considering alternative materials and recycling... [more »](#)



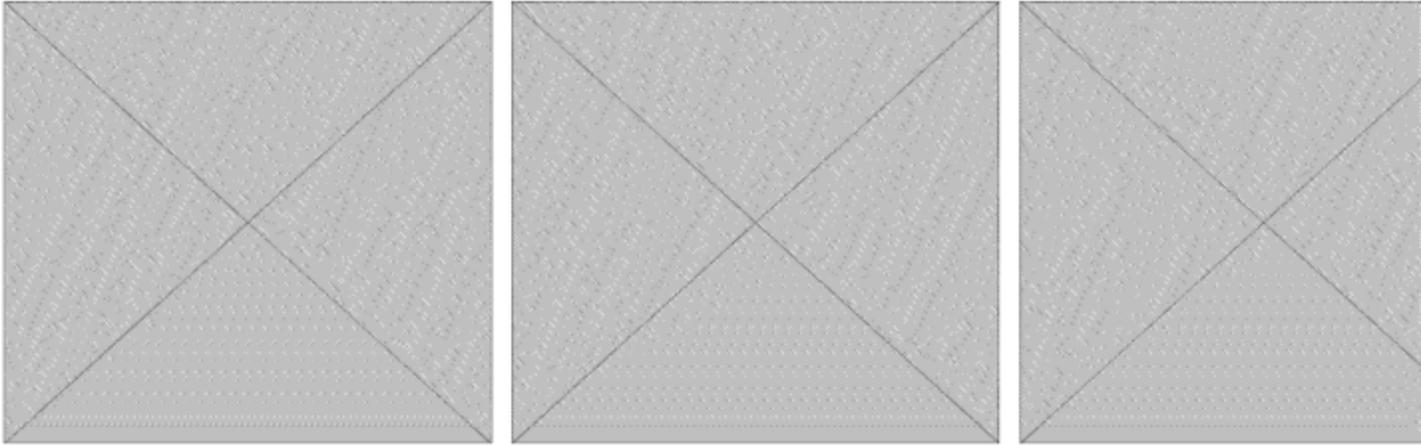
## Found Objects: The Most Natural Decor of All »

Do you like to pick up a rock from every mountain range you visit, a shell from every beach? Perhaps your kids bring shells and dried bugs, which then sit somewhere awkwardly and take up storage space. Celebrate the found object putting... more »



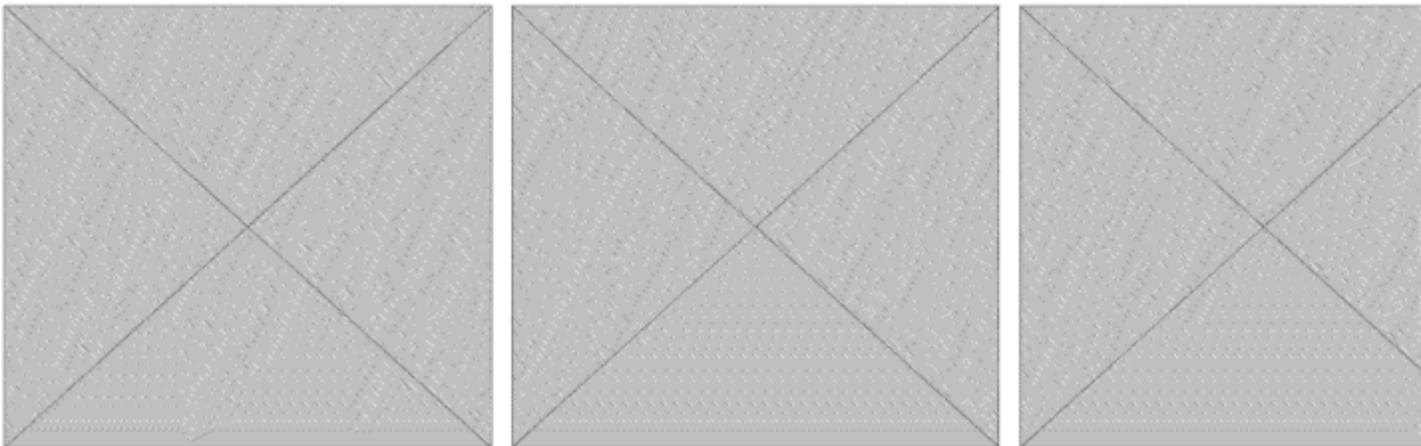
## Bring a Taste of Italy Home With 12 Design Touches »

Every other year my family goes on what we call a "big trip." For our last big trip, my husband chose Tokyo. We had much fun — Japanese culture is wonderful. This time around it's my turn, and I've chosen Italy. I'm Italian, and I've more »



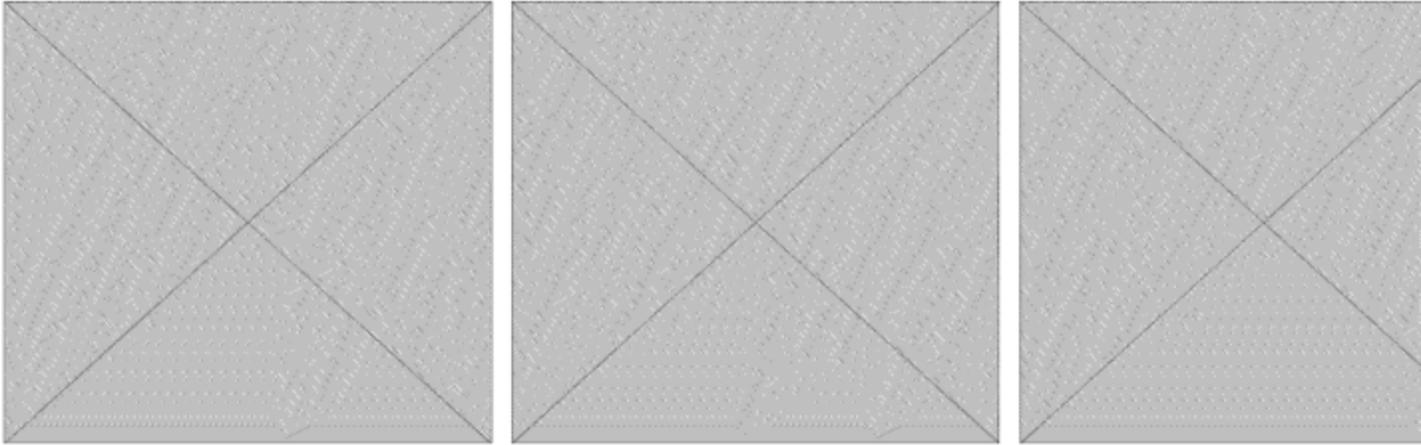
## See a Guesthouse Carved Into a Washington Cliff »

Living smack dab on the rim of the Columbia River Gorge in Washington state, Vince and Carol Bryan have some perfect views. Grassy plateaus and charcoal-gray basalt cliffs plunge thousands of feet down to the canyon and winding waterway... more »



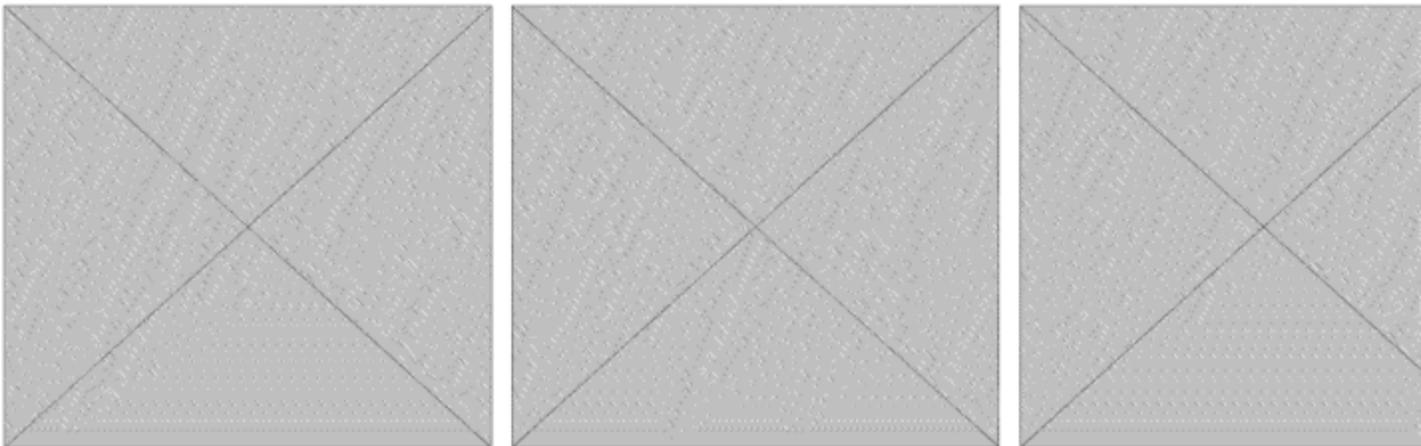
## Great Design Plant: Retreat to the Shade of Hardy Catalpa »

Bold and beautiful, hardy catalpa takes a big commitment of space and energy to maintain, but the payoff is worth it. Fragrant flowers cover the tree in early summer, and the big heart-shaped leaves provide dense, cooling shade. Win more »



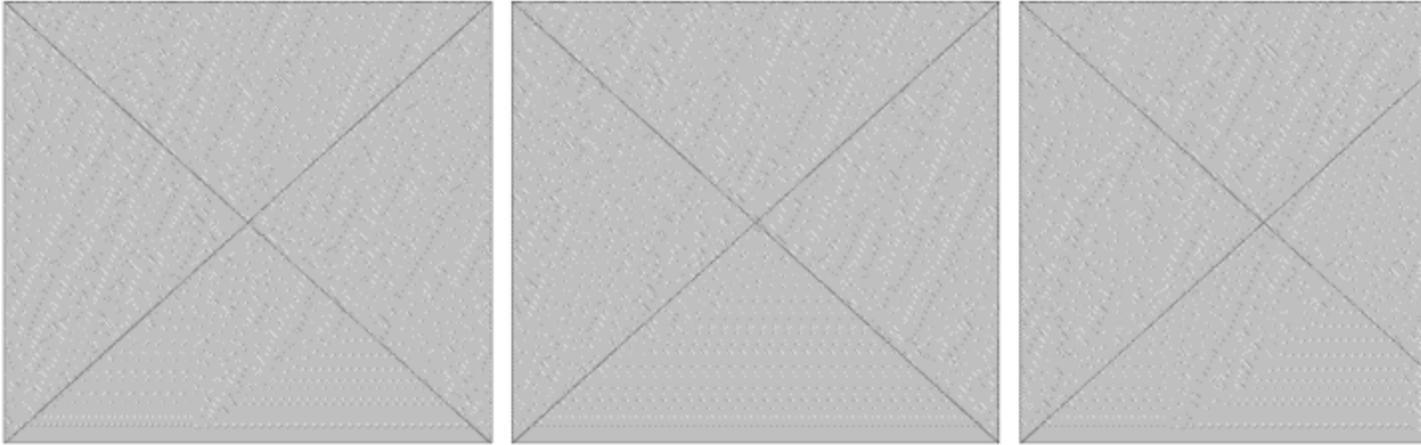
## 8 Ways to Dress Rooms in Art Deco Drama »

Art deco can feel cold and austere to some — understandable, since many of today's art deco-style homes use pale colors based on chrome and black. But original art deco homes actually embraced a multitude of colors and international influences,... more »



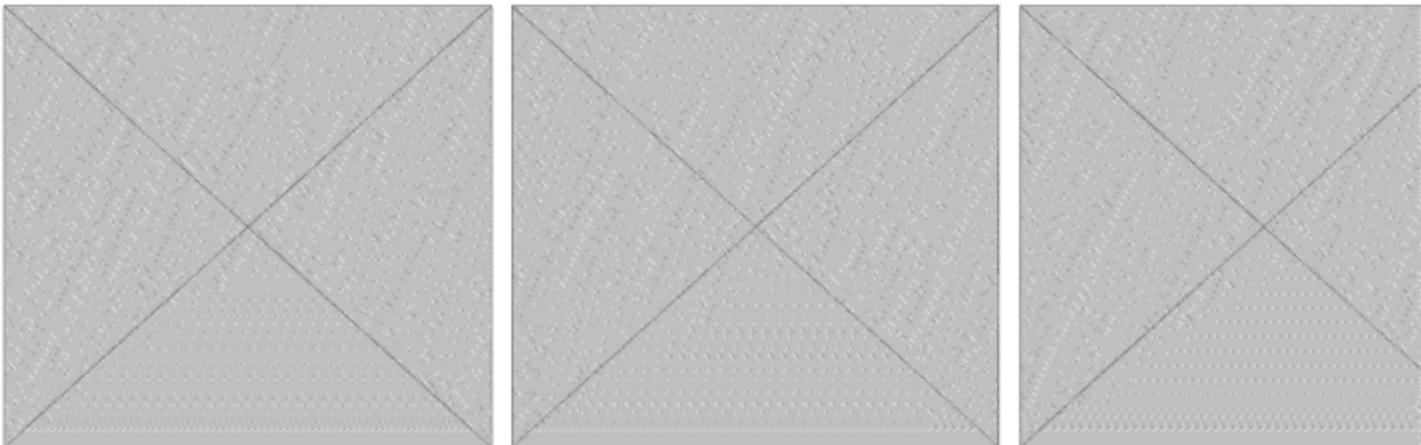
## Know Your House: Interior Door Parts and Styles »

A pet peeve of mine is to walk into a modern or contemporary or Arts and Crafts or Mediterranean or any other style home only to find the ubiquitous six-panel door everywhere. It's as if the entire world shifted from the 1950s flat-slab door to more »



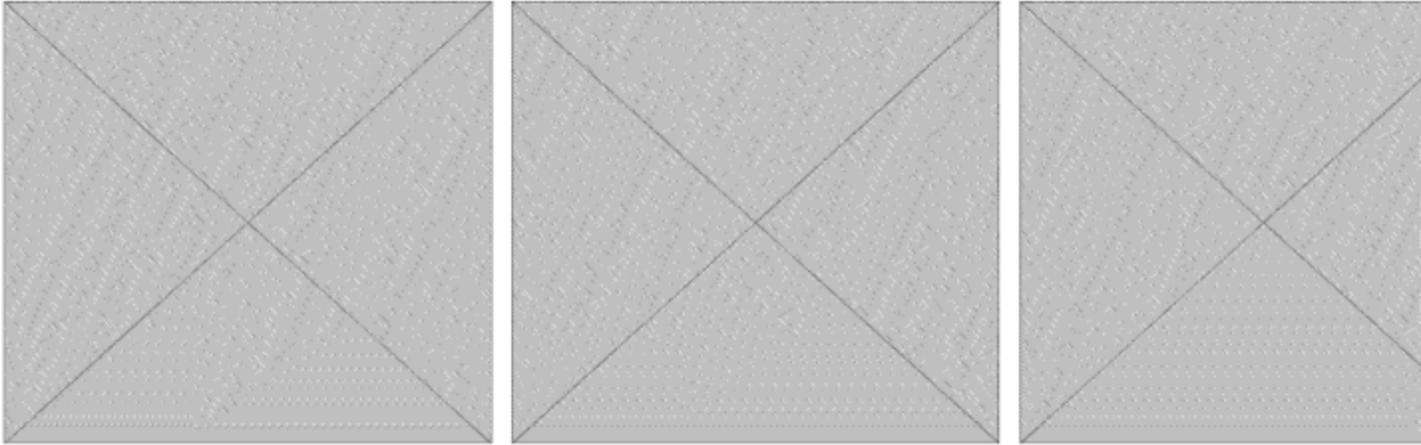
## Guest Picks: 18 Modern Laundry Conveniences With Farmhouse Style »

Stylish items with a vintage farmhouse appeal really can have modern functionality! Here are some examples of great pieces for a hardworking farmhouse-style laundry room. These things are simple and rugged, but also charming and to live... more »



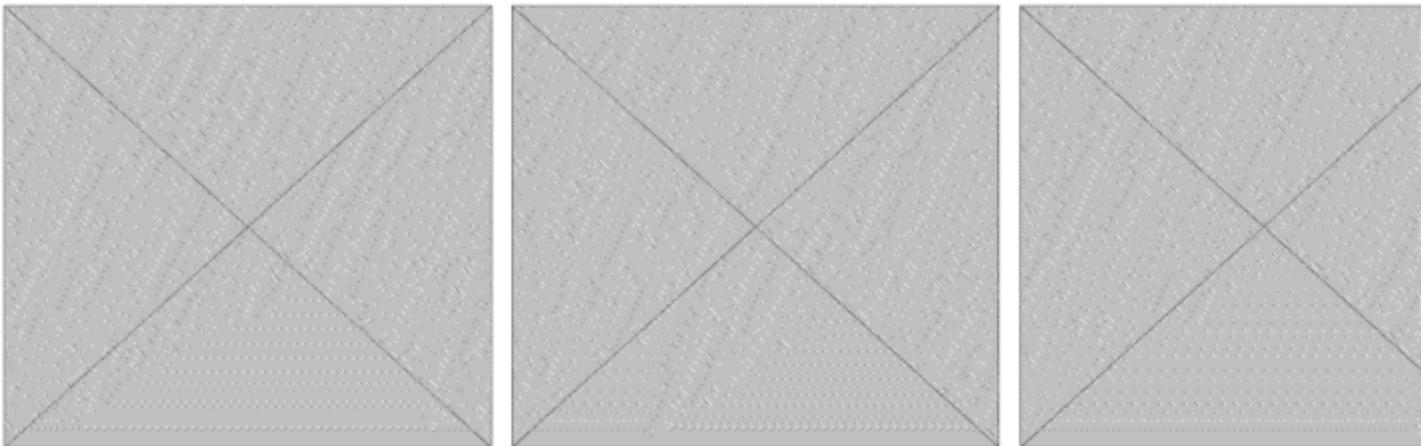
## 5 Structural Plants to Frame Your Garden Beautifully »

First and foremost a plantsman, I have always been lured by rarity, charmed by botanical minutiae and enthralled by novelty. As I turned my attention to art and design, I learned to look at and think of plants in broader terms — size and silhouette,... more »



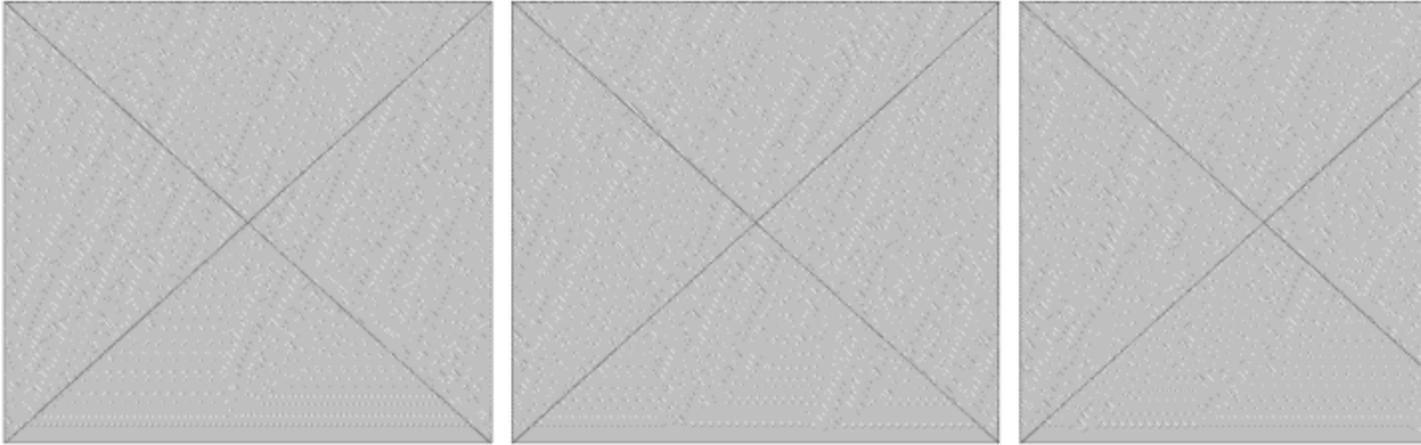
## Guest Picks: Good Morning to You »

There is this saying that goes, "Be pleasant until 10 o'clock in the morning, and the rest of the day will take care of it." I can't agree more, and I try to keep it in mind every morning when the alarm sounds. In this ideabook, I've gathered more »



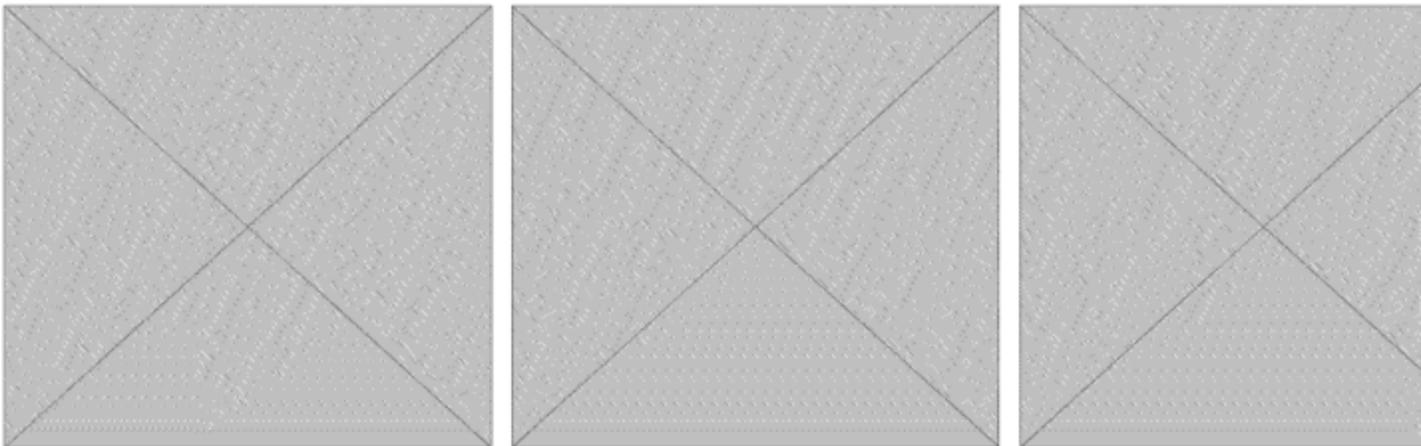
## Spin That Ship Wheel in a Different Style Direction »

The trend: It's an oldie but a goodie. Vintage ship wheels as well as those made just for decorating purposes add nautical style to coastal and coastal-style homes. The problem: The style is great for getting a nautical look, but once you...



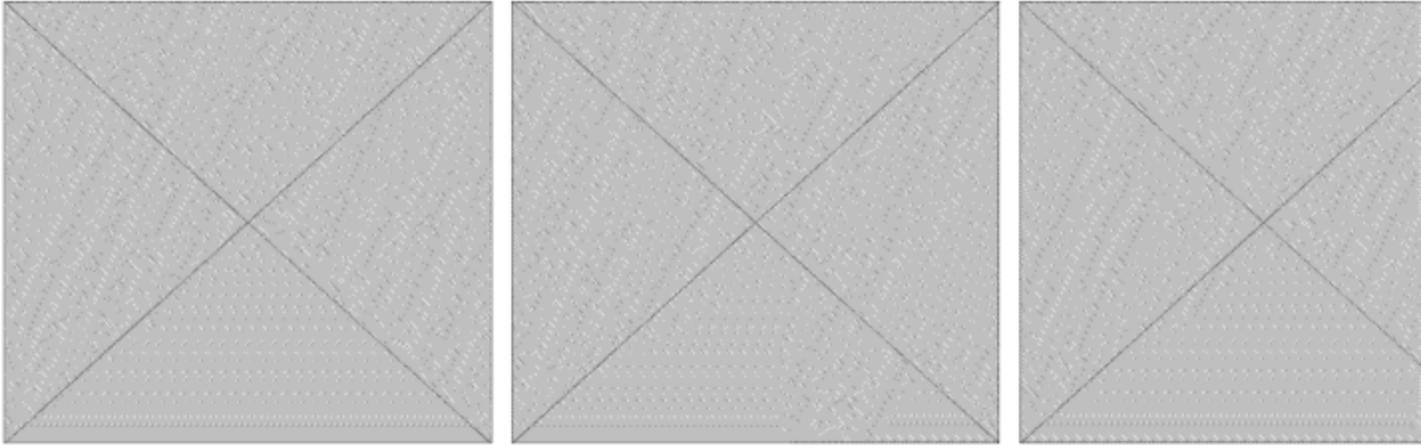
## We'll Take It: The Overhead Light Everyone Will Love »

Here's a contemporary yet elegant lighting solution that will give your space style as well as incredible practicality. The cantilevered floor lamp is a lamp with an arc-shaped arm, a mechanical jointed arm or a cantilevered straight arm that... more »



## Guest Picks: 20 Sunny Yellow Fabrics to Brighten Your Home

Summer is here, and with it come longer days and happy doses of sunshine. I love to work with yellow fabrics at this time of year because they are a great way to bring some of that summer sunshine indoors. Whether feminine florals, fresh geometrics... more »

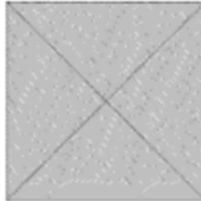


## See what Houzzers are working on and add your advice! »



**Accessories Help** - This is my front entrance foyer. I need help how to make the accessories balance but I would... more »

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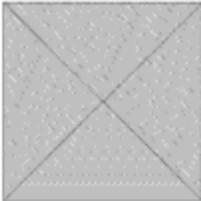
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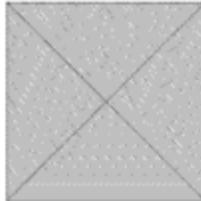
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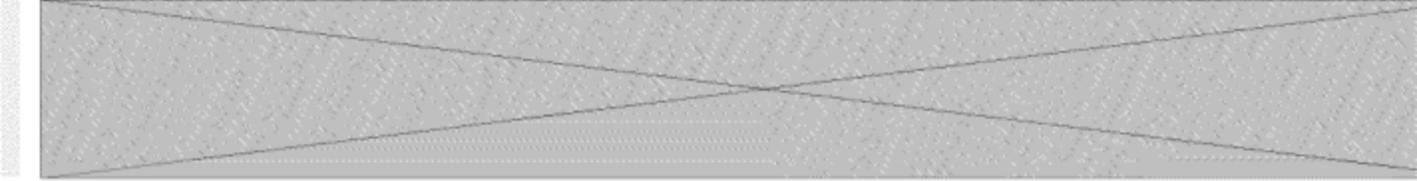
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