



Dream Home

DESIGN WORKBOOK

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Welcome to your Dream Home Design Workbook!

Designing and building or renovating a home can be one of the most exciting (and challenging) projects to take on. There are so many resources, from books and magazines to mobile apps. The design part can be quite overwhelming. You probably already have ideas saved to Pinterest boards, screenshots on your phone and images saved from Instagram... it's easy to get lost amongst all the inspiration at your fingertips.

All those individual details can also make you lose sight of the overall design. That's why we wanted to create something for you to document all your design choices in one tangible spot.

This workbook is organized by sections (rather than by room) because that's how you will be approached to make decisions by your contractor throughout the build. The sections aren't in any particular order; feel free to jump around as you need to depending on where you are at in your building/renovating process.

We hope our simple guide helps you visualize and keep track of all your design details – big and small – along the way. If you're looking for more home building tips, be sure to follow along with our blog (www.themintedvintage.com) as we dive deeper into each of these sections.

Happy Designing!

Megan & John



Wall & Ceiling Treatment

Feature walls and ceiling treatments were wildly popular in 2019. Walls became a focal point rather than just a surface with paint. Treatments like the ever-popular shiplap, classic board and batten or coffered ceilings can really add texture and character to a space. Your house is a blank canvas and you get to pick it all. The best part is walls are the easiest (and least expensive) thing to update if you change your mind later!

Room	Wall Treatment	Ceiling Treatment	Color
Dining Room			
Kitchen			
Great Room			
Office			
Mudroom			
Entry			
Laundry			
Master Bed			
Master Closet			
Bedroom			
Bedroom			
Bath #2			
Hallways			
Half Bath			

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Wall Treatment





Kitchen & Cabinetry

The kitchen tends to be the hub of any home. It's important to love a room you will spend so much time in! You want it to be beautiful and functional. With all the styles, colors and bells and whistles available... doubt may even creep in when it comes to design choices. Luckily, most suppliers have samples you can borrow (or buy). Don't hesitate to take them over to the construction site and see what they look like in your space.

	Type	Brand/Style	Finish	Color
Kitchen Upper Cabinets				
Kitchen Lower Cabinets				
Kitchen Island Cabinets				
Kitchen Counter				
Half Bath				
Master Vanity Cabinet				
Master Vanity Countertops				
Bathroom #2 Cabinet				
Bathroom #2 Vanity Countertops				
Half Bath				
Laundry Cabinet				

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Kitchen & Cabinetry





Lighting & Electrical

Lighting fixtures can be a focal point in a space or just simply functional. If your walls are already up, now is a good time to walk around each room and think about where you'd like light switches and electrical sockets to be installed. Electrical codes will determine some of the outlet placements, but really think about what you plug in (kitchen appliances, sweeper, charging station) and what might work best for your new home.

Room	Light Type	Ceiling Fan Y/N	Can Light Y/N
Dining Room			
Kitchen			
Great Room			
Office			
Mudroom			
Entry			
Laundry			
Master Bed			
Master Closet			
Bedroom			
Bedroom			
Bath #2			
Hallways			
Half Bath			

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Lighting & Electrical





Flooring can be among the easiest of design choices, because you may have a preference for flooring in each room already. The most popular types of flooring include tile, carpet, hardwood (solid, engineered, etc.) and many others. You can save money by using cheaper flooring in areas that aren't as important such as a utility room.

Room	Flooring Type	Color
Dining Room		
Kitchen		
Great Room		
Office		
Mudroom		
Entry		
Laundry		
Master Bed		
Master Closet		
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Interior Windows, Doors & Trim

Older homes are generally known for their character, especially when it comes to windows, doors and trim. There are lots of options to choose from and each carries their own style (craftsman, modern, traditional, etc.) that can really give your home a cohesive look all while giving it character.

	Style	Color
Windows		
Window Trim		
Doors		
Door Trim		
Doorknob		
Baseboards		
Crown Molding		

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Interior Windows, Doors & Trim





Exterior Elements

The exterior is something you will look at every time you leave and come home. It's kind of important to love it! The easiest thing to do here is drive around looking at other homes in your area, search Pinterest, etc. to figuring out what you really like. Aside from aesthetics, you may also need to consider maintenance and climate when it comes to picking out exterior elements.

	Style	Color
Siding		
Brick		
Roof		
Windows		
Front Door		
Sidelights		
Front Porch Beams		
Front Porch roof		
Garage Doors		
Decorative Lighting		
Floor Lights		
Shutters		
Patio Lighting		
Patio Ceiling Fan		
Soffit, Facia, Gutters, Drip Edge		
Receptacles/Spigots		

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Exterior Elements





Additional Design Features

The next couple pages are the perfect place to add photos for additional design features you have in mind. Here are a few examples of additional features: fireplace design, custom built ins, pantry shelving, and closet shelving.





Additional Design Features



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