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Big Ideas for Stylish Home Updates

THE BIG IDEA EDIT

Tapping into everything from indoor jungles to the Italian concept of 'studied nonchalance', DECO asked leading designers and decorators to share their inspo and tips for a stylish, but attainable interior update

By making simple, albeit dramatic changes to the surfaces of a room, you can completely transform its look and feel – even better, you can do this in a cost-effective way. We added a sense of grandeur and glamour to this old Victorian dining room through considered use of the following three techniques:

Dramatic paint
Don't be afraid to go dark - or to paint the whole room. We used a floor-to-ceiling matte black finish combined with simple, but striking iconography to make the walls stand as a bold statement on their own.

Refurbish your furniture
There are a host of incredible paint finishes that will completely modernise dated furniture. Throw in some interesting textiles and a pop of colour (such as a gold velvet) and you've got an entirely new piece to play with.

Bespoke wallpaper
You can scan and print almost any image onto any surface these days, so there's no excuse not to create wonderful wallpaper of your own. Find an image that you love, print it large- scale onto your desired texture and apply it to any feature surface, such as above a fireplace or behind your bed.

ACCENTUATE YOUR SURFACES

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Use wallpaper to play with the volume of a room

Unlike a painted surface, the patterns or textures of wallpaper can directly alter a room to appear larger or smaller. Go for textured wallpaper like metallic or plain grass cloth and woven linen to add depth or sheen. A bold graphic pattern will add instant volume to a space.

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