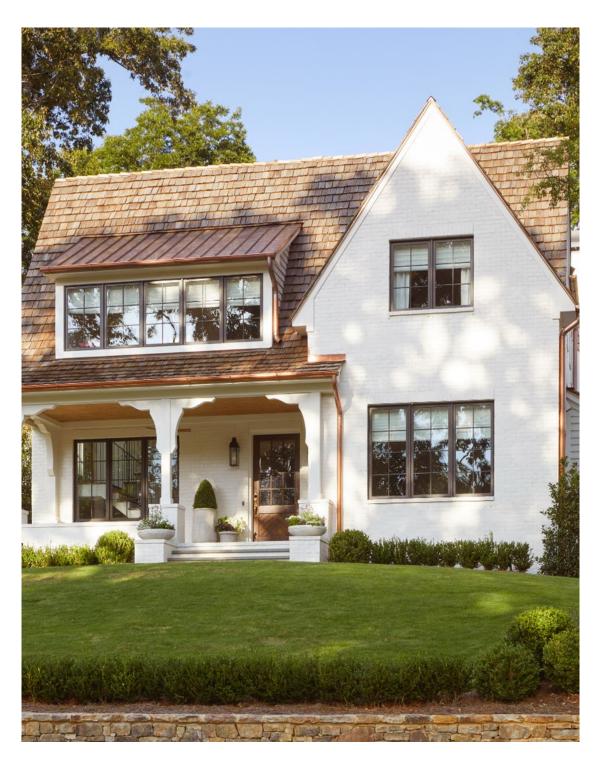
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s the old saying goes—new year, new upholstery! That's certainly what was on our mind at Paris Déco Off, the design industry's annual celebration of all things textiles. The weeklong celebration, which has slowly become known as the "couture week" of the design industry, takes place on the streets of Paris, where our editors popped from showroom to showroom searching for the very best linens, velvets, sheers, and everything in between. A few moments stood out to us, whether it's the color you're about to see everywhere or a new take on a timeless print. Ready to finally revamp that old sofa? It is the new year after all.



Arte International

FAUX BOIS IS EVERYWHERE

A new wallcovering from Lori Weitzner uses mulberry wood to create a latticelike effect on a surface.

Want the look of wood paneling sans hassle? There's a wallcovering for that. Brands leaned heavily into the natural look this season, albeit not exactly in the way you'd expect. Arte debuted a showstopping wallcovering, Sunburst, that stretches 10 feet high and is made with wood veneer. Its Lanai collection similarly went for an organic look via inlaid rattan. Philip Jeffries, meanwhile, took a more colorful approach to the material with its aptly named Against the Grain collection, a series of wallpapers that casts chevron wood in navy, moss, and black hues. There was perhaps no approach to the material more experimental than Lori Weitzner's, though, which transformed mulberry into a latticed wallcovering that can be applied to ceilings, floor lamps, and more. —Helena Madden



Lori Weitzner



Samuel & Sons

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INTERIORS GO COQUETTE

Samuel & Sons celebrated its new collection with interior designer Timothy Corrigan, Bagatelle, via a lineup of wigs accessorized with trim bows.

The coquette trend has taken over Instagram and TikTok—and now, it seems, it's made its way to our rooms. Tassels, bows, florals, and all things girly and romantic were everywhere you looked, starting with Samuel & Sons' Bagatelle collaboration with interior designer Timothy Corrigan. The new silk passementeric collection was displayed vibrantly at the brand's launch party atop lavish Marie Antoinette—style wigs, complete with Bagatelle trim bows. Marmi plunged into the spirit with a new bath collection of a seductive pink marble tub and vanity, while Little Greene debuted its new National Trust IV wallpapers, complete with an array of floral Ditsy prints. French textile company Antoinette Poisson's collaboration with Ruth Ribeaucourt joined in on the fun too, with new floral patterns available in both wallcovering and fabrics. —Bebe Howorth



Federico Ciamei

YELLOW IS AN EARLY COLOR OF THE YEAR

Rubelli, under the creative direction of Italian design duo Formafantasma, unveiled a collection of fabrics heavy on bright colors, including a pastel yellow.

Look, we're not saying that green is going anywhere, but it has a new challenger: yellow, its sunnier—yet still biophilic!—counterpart. In many collections it was the big pop of color, like in Nobilis's lineup, where a goldenrod yellow hue juxtaposed more traditional patterns and murals. The trend was most evident, however, in the Rubelli showroom, where newly minted creative directors Formafantasma drenched the space in pastel hues, including a soft, playful yellow that appeared elsewhere in the Gardens collection. Marvic Textiles, meanwhile, brought the movement to the backyard with a series of indoor/outdoor fabrics that included yellow hues—and, of course, green. —H.M.



COUTURE MOMENTS

Arte's latest collection, Le Couturier, looks to the world of haute couture—and its incredible savoir faire—for inspiration.

In true Parisian fashion, a series of couture-inspired collections took center stage at Déco Off, from wallcoverings to trimming to tassels. Perhaps most memorable was textile company Arte International's spring 2024 collection, Le Couturier, which featured an array of wallcoverings that are basically a Karl Lagerfeld gown made for surfaces. The collection features a caramel-hued jacquard design composed of loose threads (titled Majesto); a truffle-colored covering with a rambling embroidered design intended for viewers to "lose yourself in" (La Dérive); and perhaps their pièce de résistance, a hand-embroidered silk-and-cork wallcovering with, you guessed it, pearl accents (La Perle). Textile artists from the Vale London, then, unveiled their baby blue beaded Elizabeth Tape trim, an homage to Queen Elizabeth II, which gave off major Chanel vibes. It was styled as a jacket in their display window at the fair, a fitting nod to its sartorial leanings. All proof that haute couture doesn't only belong on the runway. —Rachel Silva



Arte

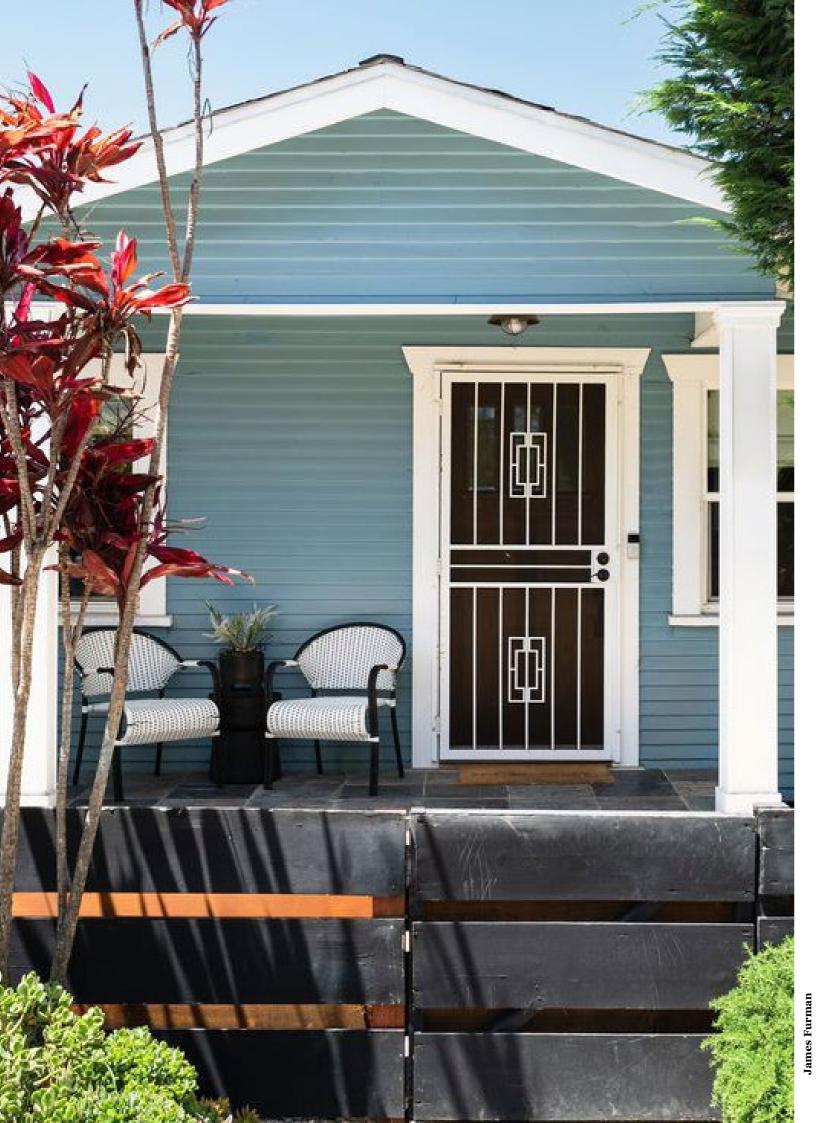


Dedar

ANIMAL PRINT 2.0

A series of new tiger print fabrics from Dedar play with the classic animal print motif.

"I've never met a leopard print I didn't like," Diana Vreeland once quipped. Design companies clearly had the same sentiment in Paris, where we spotted new twists on animal prints of all stripes virtually everywhere we looked. Take Élitis, which unveiled a duo of beachy-cool, hand-tufted jute rugs in a closely spotted leopard or in an abstract zebra print that reads both savanna and Franz Kline. Clarke & Clarke, meanwhile, teamed up with Los Angeles interior designer Breegan Jane for a considerably more Hollywood take on the look, with a maximalist, allover cheetah wallcovering and a glamorous toile printed with the great cats traipsing across the veld. And finally Dedar—in one of our favorite debuts—was inspired by "the happiest possible conclusion of a tiger hunt," and, with its sumptuous new gingerbread-hued velvet stripe, imagined a tiger that "snuggles down on a soft sofa." Call it what you will—a return to glamour or the perplexing "mob wife" aesthetic sweeping TikTok-but designers will clearly be embracing the wild side in the year ahead. —Anna Fixsen



6 FRONT PORCH DECORATING IDEAS FOR THE WARMEST **WELCOME**

The front porch is a family's great transition space. Maybe it's where you welcome a new friend or it's the covert backdrop to someone's first kiss. Maybe it's the start of your spring morning, coffee in hand, or the family dog's favorite nap spot. However you use your home's entry point, one thing is clear: Each memory made there is even better when the space is cozy and well decorated.

"This might sound obvious, but your front porch is an extension of your home and, as such, the style of the decor you use should fit the style and location of your home," says interior designer Megan Pflug. "Personally, I prefer beautiful, functional pieces to decorative ones. Not only because they are useful, but also because functional choices have a way of being lower maintenance."

Your front porch may look gorgeous during the day, but consider how it looks at night too. For Pflug, that means good lighting. "With lots of solid solar options on the market, it's easy to illuminate the approach to your porch at night, and you won't believe the amount of curb appeal it brings to your home," she says. "Along the same lines, a well-placed up-light illuminating a planting or an exterior wall shows off your landscaping and creates a warm, inviting look in the evenings."

If you're looking for something simpler, painting your front door in an eye-catching hue is an inexpensive yet high-impact way to decorate a front porch. You could also incorporate a hanging chair, or spruce up your steps with tile or symmetrical plantings. Other simple changes could be a new outdoor plants, a colorful mailbox, a fun font for your house number, or even a decorative door knocker. Whether a spacious wraparound or a smaller landing pad, these 28 front porches certainly don't skimp on style. Read on for smart ideas on how to make your porch the perfect indoor/outdoor sanctuary.



Jean Allsopp

PUT FAMILY FIRST

Interior designer, Laurie Fulkerson, believed it was important to "provide a space that the adults could gather and visit while watching the kids play in the front yard" while decorating this family home in Edgewood, Alabama. To create this welcoming design, Fulkerson added a cedar shake roof, copper gutters, gas lanterns, and bluestone steps. Something as easy as a designated spot for potted spring blooms can easily soften the area and make for a warm welcome.



CREATE ATMOSPHERE

ELLE DECOR A-List designer Ken Fulk knows a thing or two about transporting you to another world—and that starts on the front porch of his Provincetown, Massachusetts getaway. Here, he painted the shutters in Benjamin Moore's Chrome Green and added a creative mix of lighting, plants, and a vintage bell and mailbox. Our favorite detail? He transformed a sign into the bench. "I daydream about coming here," Fulk tells us. Is it any wonder?



Douglas Friedman

EMBRACE YOUR HOME'S HISTORY

This historic 1870s home in San Antonio began its life as humble workers housing. To honor its history and play up the soft hue of the stone structure, architect Vicki Yuan of Lake | Flato worked with a color consultant to find a historically-accurate shade for the front porch. A duo of Mexican chairs, a porch swing, and decorative lighting makes this the ultimate hang.



Douglas Friedman



Brian Bieder



ADD A LANTERN

A home with a welcoming porch "intrigues guests before they even step food inside the home" says designer Maggie Griffin. Though this home doesn't technically have a porch—just a generous overhang—Griffin created a statement look by adding a cozy gas lantern at the entrance of this brick exposed home. Having good lighting not only illuminates your guests way into your home, but it also allows for a lovely greeting.



Leslee Mitchell

LET YOUR ARCHITECTURE SHINE

If you love the exterior of your home but feel like it just needs a little something, follow interior designer Debbie Matthew's tip: make the architecture of your home shine. "We decided to keep the front porch decor very simple and classic by using traditional French planters filled with boxwood. We wanted to stunning architecture and gas lanterns to take center stage without much distraction," the designer explains.



PAINT YOUR DOORS AND SHUTTERS

As obvious as it may seem, "exterior porches are important indoor and outdoor transition spaces," explains architect Charles Hilton. "By adding this deep blue color on the window shutters, this New England shingle style home now matches its rocky waterfront site."



Charles Hilton

4 PRETTY SPRING TABLE AND CENTERPIECE IDEAS

There's nothing like the first signs of spring. Maybe it's the flowers you see peeking out of their beds, an evening where the sun stays in the sky longer than you remember, or simply a lunch hour enjoyed outdoors for the first time this year. Of course, with Easter and Passover approaching, not to mention wedding season, it's also time to celebrate a season that's about renewal. The perfect place to start? With elegant table decorations and centerpieces. "Spring entertaining calls for floral prints, colored glass, old-fashioned china, and fresh flowers," insists Keith Meacham, the founder of home decor company Reed Smythe & Company.

If you're not quite sure where to begin, or you're simply seeking some fresh inspiration, take a look at some of our favorite ideas from Meacham and other entertaining experts. From potted plants to floral arrangements, from layered plates to tonal tabletops, here we've rounded up 30 ways to make your spring table decor feel fresh and beautiful.



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USE POTTED PLANTS

Spring often signifies that an abundance of cut flowers is becoming available, but that doesn't mean the table has to be filled with all of them. Instead, take a cue from Carlos Mota: At this Peruvian beach house, the decorator and style expert interspersed mini bouquets with potted plants, which can live long after the party has ended.



Bjorn Wallander



Reed Smythe & Company

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USE SMALL VASES IN MULTIPLES

You can never have too much of a good thing—especially when it comes to flowers. But don't be afraid to think small too. "I love to mass one kind of flower in small vases run up and down the table," says Keith Meacham of Reed Smythe & Company. Here, he paired a Lisa Fine tablecloth scattered with boughs of lilacs with multiple arrangements of matching fresh lilacs in Reed Smythe & Company wine rinsers.

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Houses & Parties

SWAP PASTELS FOR BOLDER HUES

If pink and pale blue aren't your thing, try a richer hue. "There's no need to be mellow with these crisp stripes and wicker touches inspired by Easter baskets," says Rebecca Gardner, who's known for entertaining at her home. "I'm always in search of the golden egg, but this Hermès china may be first prize."



LET THE SURROUNDINGS TAKE CENTER STAGE

If you're choosing to entertain outdoors in a lush garden or outdoor terrace, keep the table simple. Why compete with the great outdoors? We love how the white tablecloth and tableware create a crisp backdrop for a lovely potted lavender plant and matching sprigs. Easy does it!



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