

HOME DECOR TIPS

(SHORT PREVIEW)

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1) Tips to Keep your house Cool In Summer:

To have a pleasant climate it's important for the house to be well-built

Follow these tips to keep your house cool and pleasant, irrespective of the scorching heat outside:

➤ **Thermally Insulated Windows:**

- Windows are a critical feature of the energy balance of a building, because they allow the exchange of heat between the outside and the inside area.
- Thermally insulated windows have a special profile that can block this passage, both in winter and summer.

➤ **Shutters for ventilation and shade:**

- As a means of protection from the sun, shutters are better than blinds.
- Light and air can circulate safely because shutters also work as an intrusion deterrent.
- Those who can't or don't want to install shutters can go in for alternatives like windows with darkening system integrated between the panes.

➤ **Double exposure is better:**

- This is an important element to be considered while buying a house.
- The cooler houses are those with exposure on all sides, high ceilings and thick walls.
- Another element is the proximity of parks, green spaces and tree-lined streets.
- If the house is located in latitudes with high solar radiation, it's better to avoid large glass windows and windows facing south.

➤ **A fan can provide much more relief:**

- If the heat is not too intense, it may be sufficient to use the ceiling fan, it's much less energy-intensive than an air-conditioner and moves the air without temperature fluctuations.

➤ **Curtains are good heat busters:**

- Curtains on the outside of the windows prevent sunrays from falling directly on the windows and bringing the heat inside.
- Lowering the curtains also enhances efficiency and helps maintain the temperature.

➤ **Shadowy Colors:**

- Apply the coolest colors for the walls of the house.

- You can create a relaxing twilight atmosphere playing with various shades of grey.

2) Style Blank Walls

Experiment with unusual materials like brocade, colorful glass or unusual frames to create something unique on boring blank walls.

- Are you bored of staring at those dull, plain and blank walls of your house?
 - Infuse it with warmth and style by adding creative artwork.
 - Moreover, instead of the usual wall hangings and artworks, go beyond and get innovative.
 - Draw attention to unique accessories with an oversize piece of artwork. For instance, rooms on the smaller side can benefit from the display of an oversized mirror. You can either hang the mirror or simply lean it against the wall to make the space feel larger.
- **Oversized Piece Of Artwork:**
 - Investing in an oversized piece of artwork is a simple and effective way to decorate a blank wall.
 - You can either hang the artwork or simply just keep it against the wall to add interest to the space.
 - **Cast Some Stones:**
 - Humble pieces of stone become glamorous if they are used properly on walls.
 - Stones come in varied sizes, shapes and colors and you can play around with them.
 - What shapes you choose or colors you paint them in, depend on how large the wall is.
 - If it is a garden wall, create panels of carved stones that resemble trees, leaves or birds in flight or even a combination.
 - **Wall of Mirrors:**
 - Mirrors make for an attractive décor prop.
 - Use them in various sizes, shapes and styles and group them together on a wall for a powerful visual element.
 - Get inspired by the mud inlay walls of village homes.
 - Mud-line your own walls and insert mirrors – round, square, diamond shaped in any pattern you want.

- **Play with the Wallpapers:**
 - Besides painting, one of the best things that ever happened to interior décor is wallpapering and it's not necessarily an expensive option.
 - Wallpapers can also tie in many decorative elements like colors, patterns and textures.
 - One can use paints and wallpapers together in a room.

- **A bit of Nature:**
 - Bring the great outdoors inside with artwork.
 - The sunny sitting room includes a frame of small butterfly prints, frames of bright flowers and so on.
 - The bright colors on the butterflies wings add a needed splash of color to the mostly dull room and coordinate perfectly with other accessories and décor.

- **Floating Shelves:**
 - Hanging a series of floating wall-shelves on the blank wall gives you the creative freedom to switch up the display as often as you would like.
 - Try painting the shelves a bold color to make them stand out.

- **Art with a Theme:**
 - Do you have a particular love for a certain city, animal or food?
 - Choose a single theme for your blank wall and repeat it in variation with a collection of paintings, prints, plates, designer pieces and more.
 - This will make the walls look more attractive.

3) Create Comfort Zone at Home:

After a long day's work, everyone needs a space to unwind. Know some affordable ways to create a customized comfort space at home.

If you are trying to make your home feel more comfortable and relaxing, look at the tips given below to make your space feel like home.

- **Go the Green Way:**
 - After a long day in the office, reconnecting with nature could be a great stress-buster.
 - Using earthy colored table linen and ceramic jars accentuates the effect well.
 - Wooden flooring add to that outdoors feel.

- You could always find a corner near the dining table to place a large pot containing fortune plants or lush-looking plants that are easy to manage.

- **Give a spa-like look:**
 - The warmth of wooden floors, large relaxed chairs and orange and warm beige tones with dimly lit lanterns provide the serenity you need at the end of the day.
 - That quietness tucked away in an uncluttered corner of your home could be perfect for relaxation.

- **Go the Vintage Way:**
 - You can get a vintage look using a few impact or accents.
 - Just pick up a vintage fan or a wrought-iron table at a flea market.
 - Getting your carpenter to design a wrought-iron bed or accessorizing the room with heavily varnished wooden tables or chairs, are other easy options of getting that antique look.

- **Get the Colorful Look:**
 - If you thought color meant bright shades all over the house, think again.
 - Color can be incorporated through subtle throw cushions on your sofa, a bunch of vibrant flowers on the centre table or even a delicate touch of crockery to enhance the overall look.

- **Get the eclectic look:**
 - You can create the look with mix-and-match of various styles, funky lighting and innovative use of fabrics for sofa covers and curtains.
 - Bizarre wall hangings and interesting colors for the walls are more permanent ways to achieve the effect.

- **Keep it minimal:**
 - If you are partial to open spaces with low-seating and sleek spotlights in your living room, your style is definitely minimalistic.
 - Get in a splash of color with comfortable sofas in shades of yellow and a low wooden centre table.