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5 Local Interior Designers Predict Home Trends For 2021

Grey is out, color is in, and homeowners are trading open floor plans for private, cozy spaces.

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Since March, we've all spent more time in our homes than ever before as they've turned into offices, schools and gyms. If you are a little stifled and feel like your abode could use a refresh, winter is the perfect time to tackle a new home design project. We asked five local designers for their thoughts on the trends that are on the upswing this year (Cozy cottage vibes! Wallpaper! Reinvented postmodernism!) and what styles are petering out (Drab neutrals, farmhouse elements and white kitchens). Let their expertise inspire you to revamp your space.

Josh Hildreth, Owner, [Josh Hildreth Interiors](#)

“Sadly, many high-end American kitchens can feel like advertisements for a cabinet company versus the room-like warmth I’ve always admired in classic European kitchens. I have noticed an uptick in client enthusiasm when we theme the design of a kitchen around some one-of-a-kind vintage pieces that allow for practical storage and serving needs while making a kitchen feel like a real room, like an 18th century Swedish cabinet with original, mellow paint as a focal point and

‘catchall’ serving /storage cabinet. Chintz is back! Beige be gone! The monochromatic room that has been the gold standard of Capital-style design is at long last getting a shakeup. There is a fervor for color and a renewed interest in lush multicolor prints as well as a continued resurgence in antiques and layered rooms. In a recent kitchen-family room project, we brought lush woodlands into the room with chintz and a beautiful hand loomed floral rug, as well as left the windows bare to maximize the stunning views.”



Adding antiques to this kitchen gives it a cozy, welcoming feel. (Photo by Kip Dawkins)



“Chintz is back!” says Hildreth. The patterns and fabric in this sunroom create a decidedly cozy aesthetic. (Photo by Kip Dawkins)