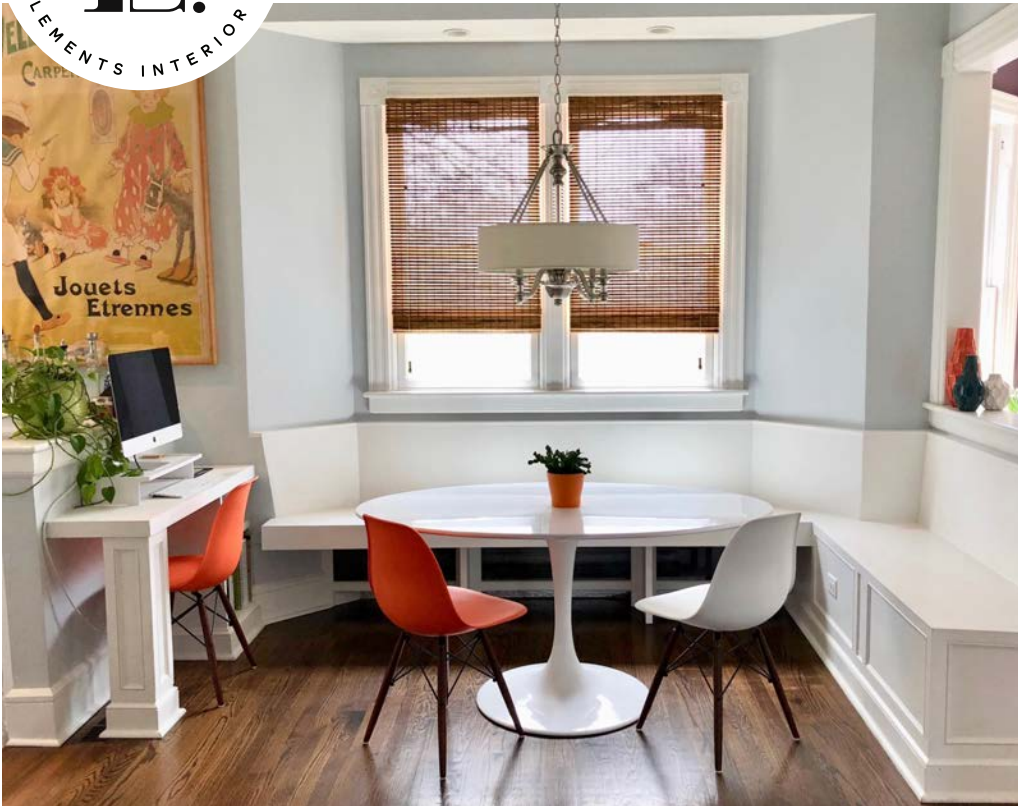




Hello Spring! Where Have You Been?

WE'VE MISSED YOU SO!



Spring...a time of new beginnings, fresh air and fresh ideas. It's also the perfect time to refresh your home. Remember how you always look forward to putting away all those dark winter clothes and putting on something bright and cheery. Makes you feel like a new person. Think about your home the same way.

Of course, we don't mean putting everything up in the attic! But changing just a few things can make a world of difference.

START WITH ONE ROOM...

Step into the room and give it a critical once over, like you're a visitor who has never been there before. Do the walls look a bit drab or dirty? You might want to begin with a fresh coat of white paint to create a neutral background. And in case you haven't been in a paint department for a while, there are tons of different shades of white. Some of our favorites are Benjamin Moore's Chantilly Lace or Grandma's China; Sherwin Williams Agreeable Gray; and Farrow & Ball's Wevet.

Now look down. If you see a dark, tired rug, how about switching it out for a refreshing sisal or jute, or an interesting lightweight texture? Such a simple change can give a room a whole new vibe.

Next, be a little daring and think about adding wild and crazy pops of color: clementine... cadet blue...lime green...periwinkle...sun yellow. How do you easily add them? Throw pillows, blankets or throws, small decorative accessories, colorful flowering plants and planters - the list goes on.

For the final touch, look at all those pictures you have on your phone. Choose some recent favorites of family, a memorable vacation, nature. Print them out and pop them in white frames and voila - your springtime fresh room is ready for you to enjoy.



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