

#### 1. WARMER PAINT COLORS

White and grey aren't going anywhere, but expect to see warmer tones and more earthy neutrals in 2019. Sherwin Williams chose Cavern Clay, a warm terracotta, as its color of the year, while Behr selected Blueprint, a mid-tone blue.

#### 2. MIXED METALS

Designers are mixing metals in 2019, and their favorites include copper, brass, pewter, and matte black. Experts suggest picking one metal hue to dominate your color palette and a contrasting tone to complement it.

## 3. OUTDOOR ELEMENTS

Bringing outdoor elements into the home can help warm up a sterile space. Especially popular right now: stone, copper, concrete, and wood. From concrete showers to agate stone tiles, designers are finding unexpected ways to bring the outside in.

# 4. ALTERNATIVE APPLIANCES

Stainless steel has been the industry standard for years, but the market is trending toward fresh alternatives in vibrant colors, black stainless, and modern white, as well as integrated appliances that blend seamlessly into cabinetry. Column refrigerators, induction cooktops, and steam ovens are among the most-coveted appliance upgrades for 2019.

#### 5. COLORFUL KITCHENS

White will always be a classic choice, but color is finally coming back to kitchens. More homeowners are choosing natural wood cabinets and neutrals like black, cream, and grey, along with colorful options like green and blue.



#### 6. OPEN SHELVING

Swapping upper kitchen cabinets for open shelves continues to be a popular choice in 2019. It's a cost-effective update that can make a kitchen feel larger and brighter. However, it's not a practical option for everyone. Test it out by removing your cabinet doors to see how it feels.

#### 7. STATEMENT TILE

The ubiquitous white subway tile is finally fading in popularity. Homeowners are gravitating toward more colorful choices, alternative shapes, and creative textures and finishes. Natural stone remains a favorite, but advancements in porcelain tile that mimics stone has made it an attractive alternative.

#### 8. DESIGNED CEILINGS

Once an afterthought, ceilings are taking center stage. Designers are using bold paint colors, wallpaper, and other materials to transform a ceiling into something truly special. Want to keep things classic? Choose coffered or wooden beams, wood paneling, or tin tiles for a more timeless look.

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