

There are no hard and fast rules when decorating with colour

ecorating is a world of personal choices. There are no hard and fast rules. Some broad principles, however, can help you to ensure continuity and harmony across your home decor. The pointers below from Dominique Pépin, Senior Brand Manager at Sico and member of the Colour Marketing Group, can help you to use colours in your decor more effectively.

 Before you begin the paint selecting process it is always recommended to choose textiles, fabrics and furnishing first. It is easier to find a shade of paint than a shade of a fabric.

 Backgrounds should enhance what is in the foreground without being obtrusive. A good table setting looks best against a stark white background

· Keep continuity among rooms with a common colour in furnishing or woodwork.

· One colour should always dominate a colour scheme. Avoid using two colours of the same strength together.

 Cool colours recede and increase the apparent size of a room whereas warm colours advance and decrease the size of a room.

• Every room should have a focal point of interest. It can be an accent colour, a piece of furniture or an object of art.

· Use warm colours in rooms that do not face the sun and cooler colours in rooms that receive ample sunlight.

· Darker colours work well for skirting and trims. They are also strong accents.

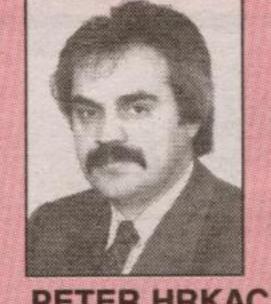
From the calming tones of the sea to the urgency of a warning sign, colours affect our daily lives. Understanding how colours act can help you choose the scheme and achieve the effect you desire.

Once you've decided on the colours that you want to add to your rooms, you must know how to add these most effectively.

What mood do you want to set? For example, all neutrals in a room provide for a calm, quiet environment, while related colors make for a relaxing effect. On the opposite end of the spectrum, strong contrasting colors create a lively, stimulating mood.

One of the latest trends in paint monochrome involves colour schemes. That is the use of one dominant paint colour on the walls in a room. Complimentary tones or different colours are now added through the addition of accessories. For more information on home decoration and the latest colour trends visit sico.ca.

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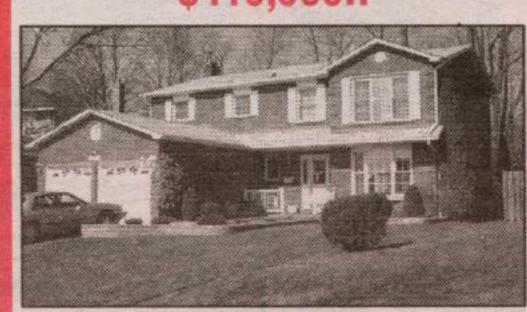
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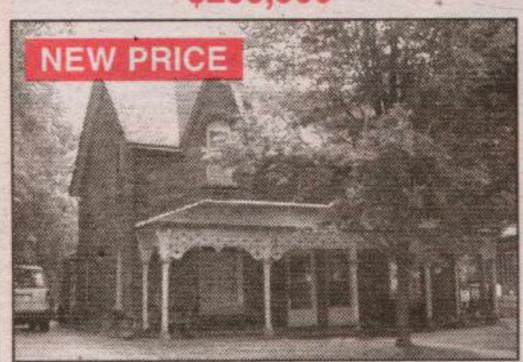
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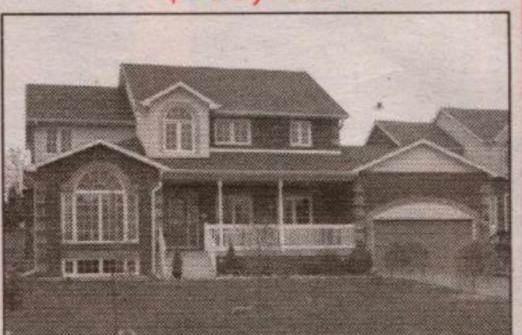
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