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# Embrace New Home Trends

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The beauty about styles and trends is that they are a never ending cycle. Often when styles do come back, it is with a bang. I am happy to share some of the evolving new trends for the upcoming 2015 year.

When working with clients I show them decor items that in style like a bold and beautiful wall paper for an accent wall, or a stunning patterned drapery. I will hear things like, "Wallpaper and drapery remind me of something that was in my grandmother's house!" I know what they are referring to, but the current trends happening are not the same as grammy's old curtains. It is not necessarily the item that classifies a material or finish as being in style, but rather its application, content, balance and how it is being used.

Wallpaper is a trend that has come back with a bang. Wallpaper is bold with added rich velvet textures, shiny metallics, and even crocodile skin and leather textures. A carefully chosen textured wallpaper can be a stunning focal point to any room.

Color wise, we will see a continuation of rich and dark navy blues. You can see dark navy in many stores and, in new fabric collections from major manufacturers. Navy is often combined with gold. Gold accents can be found in chandeliers, lamps, decorative vases, and coffee tables.

Another widely used theme seen in the form of artwork, fabric, vases or decorative accessories has been the use of bones, skulls, bull heads and horns. They come in many shapes, textures and colors.

Asian influences are also strong with chinoiserie patterns in fabrics, vases, bowls and various other applications. Buddha statues are placed in both casual and elegant interiors.

Organic leaf patterns, branches and corals are also very popular. We can see them as added details on beautiful sideboards or as the base of an interesting table.

Have fun with these reoccurring decor items, adding a new twist to them and a new breath of life.

