

These 2024 home remodel trends are here to stay – here's how to try them

I read every major publication's 2024 home remodel predictions, and these are the trends I think will be here to stay after January.



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As 2024 continues to unfold, it's starting to become clear which predicted home remodel trends are here to stay and which are merely fleeting fancies.

From a resurgence of traditional design to embracing smart home tech, this year, we should try to embrace trends that blend comfort with functionality and cater to our evolving lifestyle needs. We should also let go of 'core' trends and leave behind renovation projects that serve only to devalue our homes.

So, after scrolling through hundreds of online predictions – and consulting the experts – I've chosen six key home innovations and renovation trends that will continue to shape our living spaces in 2024.

Home Renovation Trends That Are Here To Stay

Whether you are planning a full-scale home renovation or a simple kitchen remodel, below are the trends worth exploring this year.

6. ZONING WITH COLOR AND MATERIALS



(Image credit: Owen Gale)

Finally, expect zoning within homes to take a front seat in 2024, especially when it comes to remodeling bathrooms and kitchens. Similar to broken-plan schemes, this approach is about defining different areas of your home, not with walls, but with thoughtful design and material changes.

Flooring plays a pivotal role in zoning. Consider using different materials or patterns to distinguish areas. For example, in an open-plan apartment, opt for hardwood floors in your designated living space and transition to tiles to delineate the kitchen-dining space.

'Playful wood flooring patterns like herringbone and chevron are coming back,' predicts Philip Consalvo, Principal of PJCArchitecture. You could vary the direction of these patterns to visually separate spaces without breaking the cohesive feel.



Philip Consalvo 

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Philip J. Consalvo has over 25 years of professional practice experience covering a range of design projects in New York and New Jersey. In 1998 he established PJCArchitecture, an award-winning Manhattan-based architecture firm whose projects include residential and commercial spaces on the East Coast.

Changes in ceiling design can also delineate zones. A raised or coffered ceiling over the dining area, for instance, can create a sense of intimacy while keeping it open to the adjacent living space.

Another effective zoning technique is the strategic placement of columns or half-walls. These elements can mark the boundaries of different zones, like a kitchen island defining the start of the kitchen area from the living space.



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Lighting is also a key tool in zoning, as different lighting styles and intensities can create varied ambiance in each zone. Pendant lights over a dining table, recessed lighting in the kitchen and soft floor lamps in the living area can all define their respective spaces.

'We will continue to see an interest in very minimal cove lighting, as well as grazers or indirect lights that wash the wall,' adds Philip Consalvo. 'Cove lighting creates a visual trick to make ceilings appear higher than they actually are. They are warm and set a nice mood — but it's important to note that there is a fine line where they can start looking too commercial'.

While discerning homeowners rarely jump on 'trends', it's always worth considering how eco-home improvements or renovations projects can impact the value of your home and improve your lifestyle.