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Interior trends 2023: The best colours, fabrics and styles for your next home renovation

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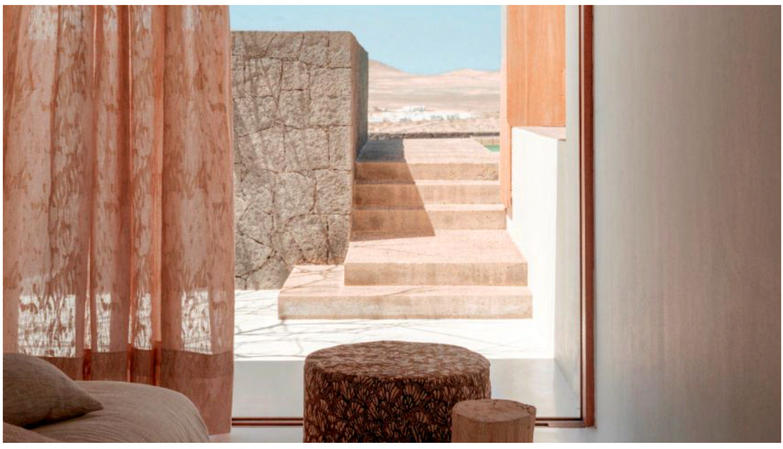

COVER Spice up your home decor with the materials, styles, and colours currently in-trend

Narrative-driven concepts, coupled with a nurturing spirit and a passion for nature guide the popular colour and fabric choices for home interiors—take a cue from these 2023 decor trends

As the world slowly emerges from its post-pandemic hibernation, we'll see more soft and soothing colours being used in home interiors. Gentle colours inspired by nature and a spirit of nurturance will find their way into more abodes, coupled with a heightened sense of environmental consciousness that will guide our fabric choices.

There will be a shift in focus from what's in vogue to what feels right. In 2023, homeowners and designers will break free from convention, moving away from the typical pre-pandemic leanings towards minimalism to embrace warmer colours and materials that allow them to truly express their unique personalities, tastes and lifestyles. This means playing around with darker palettes and denser fabrics, and exploring all the possibilities of different texture and colour combinations.

Here, we list these and more notable trends to watch for your next renovation.

2. Colour Blocking

ABOVE This colour-blocked bathroom by Hong Kong design firm Lim + Lu matches a speckled terrazzo finish with a warm terracotta hue

ABOVE Hong Kong-based designer Iman El Zeky employs colour-blocked blue tones to soothing effect in a bedroom

Forget about playing it safe: 2023 is all about going bold with brighter hues. Hong Kong-based interior designer Iman El Zeky recommends giving colour blocking a try: it's essentially about using contrasting but complementary colours to set a mood. "Using blocks of colours on walls or surfaces is a fabulous way to bring energy to a space."

El Zeky suggests using your favourite hue as the main colour, then selecting shades that contrast yet harmonise with that primary shade. "The complementary colours can be introduced to the interiors in the form of painted walls, or in less obvious ways such as with a decorative rug, a cushion or a throw. You can really transform a space by painting your ceiling as part of a colour block concept," she says.

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