

# The Turquoise Trend and Interior Design

## Bringing the Top Color for 2010 into Home Decor

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Turquoise is back, as Color of the Year for 2010. Bringing this tropical tone into home decor is not as difficult as it may seem, and it can be done on a small budget.

Pantone, the world's leading authority on color, has declared turquoise to be the hot color for 2010. As a result, everyday products, fashion and home interiors items will soon be found in this hot new hue. Many homeowners feel they cannot follow the latest interior decorating trend without a complete redecorating budget. However, keeping up with the design trends can be done simply and inexpensively by planning ahead and using just a few tricks of the trade.

### Using Neutral Tones in the Home

By using neutral color tones on the semi-permanent items in their homes, homeowners are creating a timeless investment in their home décor. They need to consider the items within their homes that are least likely to be replaced within ten years. Purchasing these large-ticket items in neutral hues will increase the longevity of the item, and will keep it from looking out-of-date too quickly.

For example, flooring such as carpet, ceramic tile or vinyl will generally be kept in place for at least ten years. Large furniture pieces, such as sofas and chairs, are also likely to be kept for a minimum of ten years before they are replaced or reupholstered. Homeowners should consider keeping these items neutral and try to veer away from extremely trendy color tones.

Neutral does not need to be boring. Introducing various textures, tones, hues and patterns into the space – even when decorated in only neutral colors – will keep the room interesting and inviting. These large and expensive purchases, when kept neutral, are a little like a blank canvas, ready to accept the next design trend that comes along.

### Trendy Home Accessories

The least expensive and quickest way to bring the latest trend into any interior space is by using accessories. Using the color tones already found in the space, homeowners should search for items that incorporate both their existing colors and the trend color. Fabric accessories, such as pillows, window curtains and bedding, are a great way to introduce a new color into a room.

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This season, homeowners should look for fabrics showcasing bright floral patterns, rich tribal geometrics and sheer metallics. A pillow in a floral print could include yellow, coral and turquoise for a fresh look in a room full of beige. Or, bringing in a geometric window drapery in tomato red may be a lovely contrast to a new painting done in tones of turquoise, coffee brown and rich gold.

A new area rug can work wonders in a tired room, and can be another relatively inexpensive way to incorporate a color trend into an existing space. Making sure the rug includes colors already found in the room, along with the trend color, is a sure way to bring the color into a home seamlessly.

Reinforcing the color trend with a few final accessories will complete the new look. Homeowners should be on the lookout for a new vase, piece of wall art, floral arrangement or other accessory item that includes the trend color in it. A pop of turquoise flowers in a gold vase brightens up even the darkest corner of a room. None of these items needs to be expensive; in fact, the trendiest home accessories can be found at discount and department stores.

By planning ahead when making major purchases for their home, and choosing inexpensive and trendy accessories, any homeowner can keep their home in the latest style. More information on Pantone and their color forecasts can be found at their [website](#).

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