



A rich wall color highlights both the leather chairs and mercury glass accents.

I also recommend low sheen paints for kids' rooms, family rooms and anywhere fingerprints and stains are more likely to happen because it's easier to clean. If your walls are heavily textured, or "orange peeled," I would suggest sticking to a flat finish. Semi Gloss (Enamel) is your hardest wearing – great for doors, window trims and mouldings. Enamel paints offer a durable hard shell finish that's easy to wipe clean and accentuates any interior architecture. And, don't think all trims must be bright white either – try a semi-gloss black for doors to add major drama to any room. High Gloss (Lacquer) is a proven winner for painted furniture, high gloss finishes also bring luminescence and depth to walls and ceilings. Since many layers need to be applied, and the walls need to be prepped properly, I recommend hiring a professional for this application.

Inside Job. Keep these insider tips in your back pocket when starting your next

paint project: To blur the lines of uneven walls don't be afraid to take the wall color up onto the ceiling – no one said all ceilings must be white. Wrapping the entire room in one color opens up a room and expands the space. Great for darker colors! Take a cue from the sky and add a touch of light blue or gray to your white ceiling paint – I figure if it works in nature it'll work in the home, as well. Looks especially sharp when combined with bright white crown moulding. For a dreamy, flattering light in a dining room choose a metallic paint for the ceiling. New colors in gold, silver and platinum are adding a candlelit look to rooms, and bathe you and your guests in a warm, romantic glow.

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SPRING IS IN THE AIR

Spring is here – it's time for spring cleaning but for your landscape! The trees and plants in the yard need to be inspected for water damage, remove dead or dying branches which may have been injured by disease/severe insect infestation or storm damage.

We also want to prune for improved plant appearance, tree and plant size to ensure all around health for your landscape.

So don't wait until it's too late, have a complete inspection by a Certified Arborist at Advance Tree Service and Landscaping to make your yard a summer STAYCATION.

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