

2020s Trend: MIXING STYLES

Beyond the traditional look of farmhouse style, we're looking forward to mixing it up with other aesthetics. "Here's the deal: I think the whole labeling of doing one style is definitely on the way out," says Instagrammer Jo Shetley of @the_simple_farmhouse. "We all have a mix of styles, and I'm so glad to see more mixed styles come in our homes. Incorporating more styles into the farmhouse look: modern, eclectic, boho, chic. I love how it all comes together!"



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Goodbye 2010s, Hello 2020s

Get the lowdown on the top farmhouse trends from the 2010s and those we expect to see in the 2020s.

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It's not only a new year, but a new decade. We're ready to share our favorite farmhouse trends from the 2010s, along with predictions for what we'll see in the coming years.

2020s Trend: BARN DOORS

Another classic, barn doors have come into farmhouses from their original use in barns. They add a lot of rustic charm to a room, even if they don't go anywhere and are purely decorative. They do have downsides, though. "They are pretty but not necessarily practical," says designer Mindy Laven. "They don't keep the sound out, making them a less than perfect choice for bathrooms. Ten years from now I think people will instantly identify a space that includes a barn door as being designed in the era of the 2000-teens."



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2020s Trend: SHIPLAP

One of the biggest 2010s farmhouse trends was shiplap. Thanks to Joanna Gaines and HGTV's Fixer Upper, shiplap is now a wall paneling option that's in many homes across America. "What's my favorite of the 2010s farmhouse trends? Shiplap!" says Instagrammer Jo Shetley of @the_simple_farmhouse. "I loved me some shiplap; I'm so thankful for Joanna Gaines for bringing that trend to the board."



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“I’m loving a little color for 2020.” —Mindy Laven



2020s Trend: PAINTED CABINETS

All-white kitchens have been trending in the 2010s, but we’re going to see more color in the 2020s, especially on painted cabinets. “We’ll see a variety of colors of painted cabinets in interesting neutrals—colors with gray added in order to tone them down,” says designer Holly Thompson of Holly Thompson Homes. Two-tone cabinets are among the beautiful up-and-coming 2020s trends too.

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2020s Trend: WALL PANELING

Sure, we love shiplap, but there are other wall paneling options that can add great style to your farmhouse too. We’re betting that we’ll see shiplap alongside other wall panels like board and batten, beadboard and flat paneling in wainscoting. Another new wall paneling trend? Shiplap with color. “I really love all the shiplap I’m seeing in nontraditional colors,” says designer Mindy Laven. “Black and navy feel so fresh and rich.”

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2020s Trend: NEUTRAL AND ALL-WHITE COLOR PALETTES

In terms of color palette, farmhouse style has been all about neutrals or all-whites. One of the draws for this look is the ability to add any color to your palette throughout the year. But while all whites and neutrals can look stunning if done well, they don’t provide much contrast. “I am happy to see the trend of all-white kitchens go,” says designer Holly Thompson of Holly Thompson Homes. “In order to do an all-white kitchen well, it needs to have dimension and layering. People were obsessed with copying a look and often used cheap finishes to get it. This made masses of homeowners end up with cookie-cutter kitchens unable to stand the test of time.”

