



Design Sewlutions
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The decorating process on one page.

1. Do your homework:
Start a clippings folder and determine the style you will work toward.
List: Room condition, Room usage.
2. Do a to-scale floor plan and place the furniture as needed
Add area rugs and tables
Remember traffic flow.
3. Set the lighting on the floor plan: Task lighting first, then general or ambient, then mood lighting.
4. Consider the theme of the room and decorating style - contemporary or traditional, masculine or feminine, country or casual.. etc.
5. Choose the color scheme
Consider the mood and orientation of the room and choose warm or cool
Select an inspiration piece and take the scheme from it
Collect swatches of the fabrics, flooring and wall covering, major pieces of furniture and place on color boards in the correct proportions
Add the metals and wood colors to your board
Select paint colors. LAST
6. Select furniture and lamps and place sketches or photos on a collage board.
7. Consider the function of the window treatment, select the appropriate style and add the fabric to the color boards.
8. Consider accessories based on the style and theme of the room
Add the major accessories to your collage.
9. Consider the color and collage boards; do they truly represent your vision? If not, revisit the process until your boards are what you want the room to be.
10. Complete the actual decoration process, usually in this order:
 1. Walls and Floors, add area rugs
 2. Major pieces of furniture
 3. Secondary pieces of furniture and tables
 4. Lighting
 5. Window treatments
 6. Accessories and Art