

HOW TO DESIGN WITH SOPHISTICATED NEUTRALS

Refreshing ideas for working with a range of neutral hues.



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When designers describe themselves as “color experts,” we often think they’re referring to bright, bold hues—magentas, emeralds, cyans, and other [trending, electric colors](#) that together craft a decadent, maximalist space. However, color experts also know how to evaluate minuscule differences in shade and tone easily missed by an untrained eye, and they bring this color *finesse* to [neutral-hued spaces](#) as often as those that are brilliantly colored. Here, top [Dering Hall](#) designers skilled in subtlety reveal how to achieve an elegant neutral space rich in multi-dimensional color.

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Favorite neutral: Wevet by [Farrow & Ball](#)

"A neutral color scheme usually relies on a layered composition of subtle and muted color tones. It is helpful to keep an eye on the individual color tones to ensure that there is enough contrast for the eye to distinguish the various layers. I often add structure with select darker elements as well as highlights with the occasional metal accent. Plants or a single splash of color are another way to create bright focal points.

"When it comes to the design for a bathroom, I like to think that less is definitely more. I prefer a neutral color palette, as it helps to create a calming environment, a place where one gathers one's focus while getting ready in the morning or unwinds in a soothing bath at the end of the day."

30 BLACK KITCHEN CABINETS IN BEAUTIFUL COOKING SPACES

Welcome to the dark side.

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All white has long been the go-to when designing an elegant kitchen, and you won't find us ditching our love for clean, bright and white anytime soon. But these stunning kitchen's with black cabinets from [Dering Hall](#) have us thinking it might be time to enter the dark side.



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SLEEK AND CHIC BLACK CABINETS

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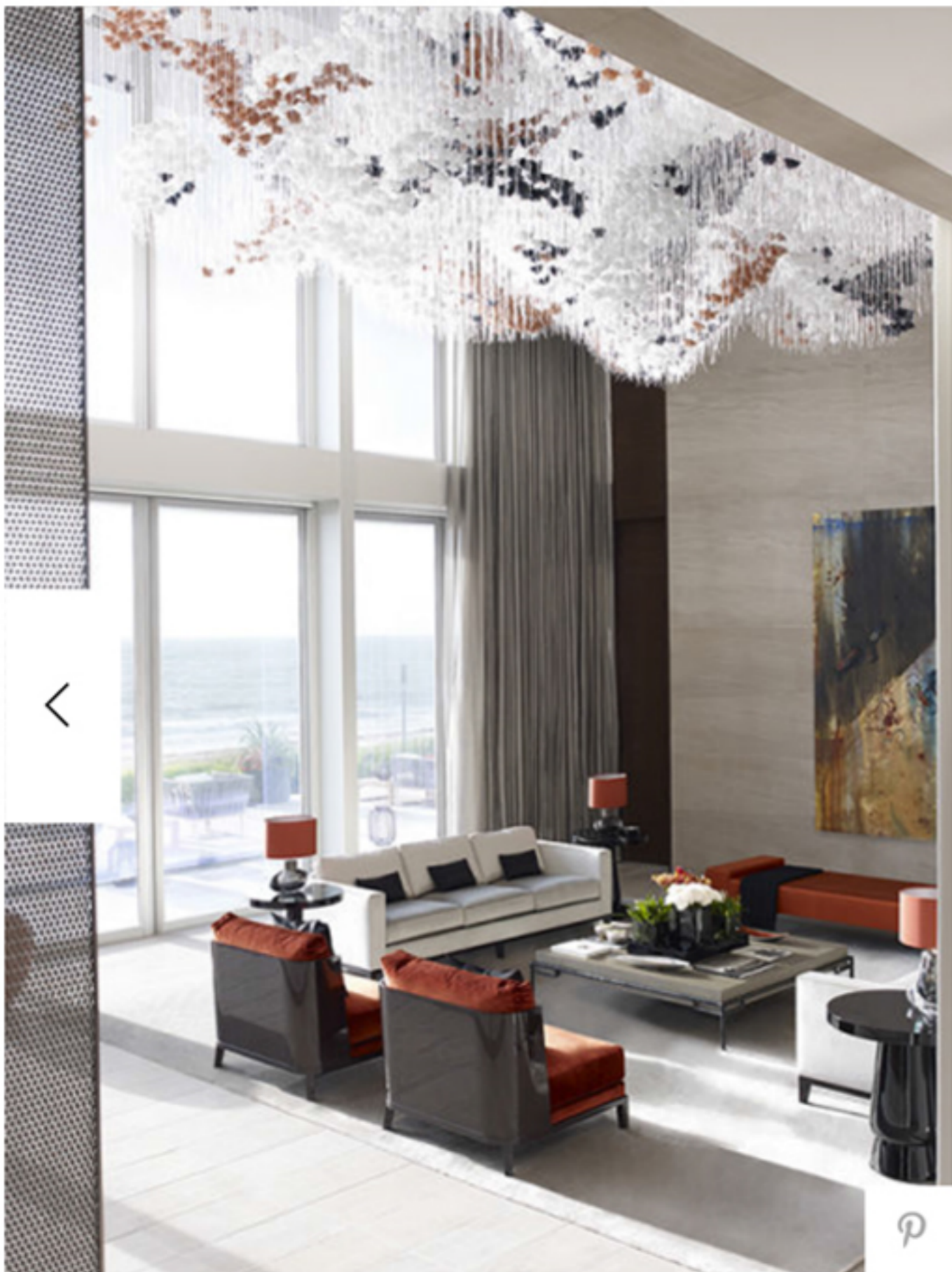
40 MODERN LIVING ROOMS FOR STYLISH HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING

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The holiday season means soirée's are in full swing and [Dering Hall](#) proves they know how to throw a party. Get inspired to amp up your living room style and you'll be ready to throw a holiday affair of your own in no time.



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Most rooms in our homes serve a practical purpose for life's daily routines, but a cozy home library can be a space for those rare moments of peace and quiet. These beauties from [Dering Hall](#) have inspired us to sit back, pour a cup of coffee, and crack open the latest must-read.



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CHESTNUT DEN

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Pass the hot cocoa, please.

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SMALL YET BRAWNY

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William Waldron

22 GREEN BEDROOM DESIGN IDEAS FOR A FRESH UPGRADE

From key lime curtains to forest-hued accessories, apparently it is easy going green.

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ELEGANT MOSS TONES

Mossy tones add a calming earthiness, as well as a dose of drama when they're covering an entire accent wall.

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