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Interior finishes make a home

Choosing colours and finishes for the interior of your home is a great way to flex your personal style and creative vision. It is, however, important to temper your creative ideas with a doable budget and lifestyle priorities. First, consider how you will be using each room, then gather your ideas. Try to keep a consistent style so your rooms have a continuous flow throughout your home. Be mindful of the visual longevity of the higher priced items like cabinetry or flooring. A trendy colour or finish will look great today but it may no longer appeal to you in five years. It's better to save today's trends for things that are easily changed like a room's paint colour. Choosing the right finishes for your remodeling project is fun and exciting. To prevent getting overwhelmed, talk to the Experts at TIMBER MART who can guide you with recommendations to create your ideal home.



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Cabinetry

Cabinets are the star of any kitchen and provide a backdrop for gatherings with family and friends. They not only have to look good, they have to maximize storage and be solidly built to last. But the kitchen is not the only place to install cabinetry. Today's homeowners want storage solutions throughout the home. Adding built-in storage to other rooms not only makes them function better, it will also add value to your property. Upper and lower kitchen cabinets work well in the laundry room and can transform a chaotic space and into a tidy one. A vanity doesn't have to be the only storage area in a bathroom. If space allows, how about adding a row of cabinets that are the depth of kitchen upper cabinets? With a little imagination you can install cabinets in unexpected places such as a mudroom, a bar or even a window seat. Come in and talk to one of our Kitchen Experts to discuss your cabinet ideas. We partner with the best cabinet suppliers who give careful attention to style and quality construction.

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White cabinetry is still the number one choice for both kitchen and bathroom but wood tones are becoming more popular. Wood colours are lighter and more greyed. The simple shaker door remains the cabinet style of choice among homeowners although variations are starting to pop up. Current trends continue to reflect a simplified and minimal design direction.



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Kitchen finishes

Choosing finishes is one of the best parts of a kitchen renovation. The first place to start is with the biggest expense and that is kitchen cabinetry. Cabinets will set the style of the kitchen and will be what people notice first. After that, other finishes should complement your chosen style. Aside from appliances, countertops are the next biggest expense and often budget will decide whether you go with laminate, butcher block, solid surface or stone. A popular trend is to have one countertop material around the perimeter of the kitchen and another material for the island. This is not only an interesting design detail but can be a budget saver too if you choose an inexpensive material for the perimeter and splurge on the smaller island countertop. Other finishes to consider is the colour of metal in cabinet hardware, lighting, faucet and sink. Be careful not to have too many metal colours in your kitchen. They don't necessarily have to match but they should complement each other. The backsplash you choose can really reflect your personal style and add understated elegance or bold drama. The finishes you choose can make a powerful design statement and give your kitchen a custom look. When planning your kitchen renovation, come talk to us. We carry the latest in style and technology and we'll help you achieve the perfect kitchen that best fits your needs and budget.



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Bathroom finishes

Form and function are equally important when choosing bathroom fixtures. Let the size of your space plus your budget help guide your decisions. Most bathrooms tend to be smaller spaces so the size of fixtures is key. Once you have your bathroom planned and know what size fixtures you need, the next step is choosing finishes. Just like with kitchens, the cabinetry of the vanity will play a big role in setting the style of your bathroom. But unlike kitchens, cabinetry will not take up the majority of the space so other large elements, like the bathtub or shower, are equally important style-wise. The most popular colour palettes remain neutral and white is still the colour of choice for sinks, tubs and toilets. Wood finishes are increasingly trendy when used as an accent for mirror frames, feature walls, vanities and flooring. Wall tile is no longer just for inside the shower but now appears floor to ceiling on other walls as well. When choosing the metal elements for your bathroom, it's a good idea to choose one finish for the faucets, showerhead, lighting, towel bars and paper holder. One metal finish in this small space will give a cohesive look and tie your design together. When you are at the planning stage of your bathroom renovation, come talk to a TIMBER MART Bath Expert. We'll answer your questions, explain your options and keep you on budget.



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Get a handle on style

Looking to put the last touch on a renovation project? Do you need to update cabinets with the latest trends and styles? Is a piece of furniture in need of jazzing up? Decorative hardware can certainly help by making an ordinary space extraordinary.

Richelieu has a grand collection of knobs and pulls available in new trendy finishes and styles. Choices such as matte black, bronze, orion grey and brushed gold will be a perfect pairing with your cabinetry. These assortments will add a touch of fun as well as style to any living space.

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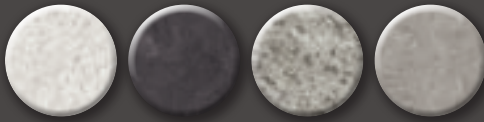
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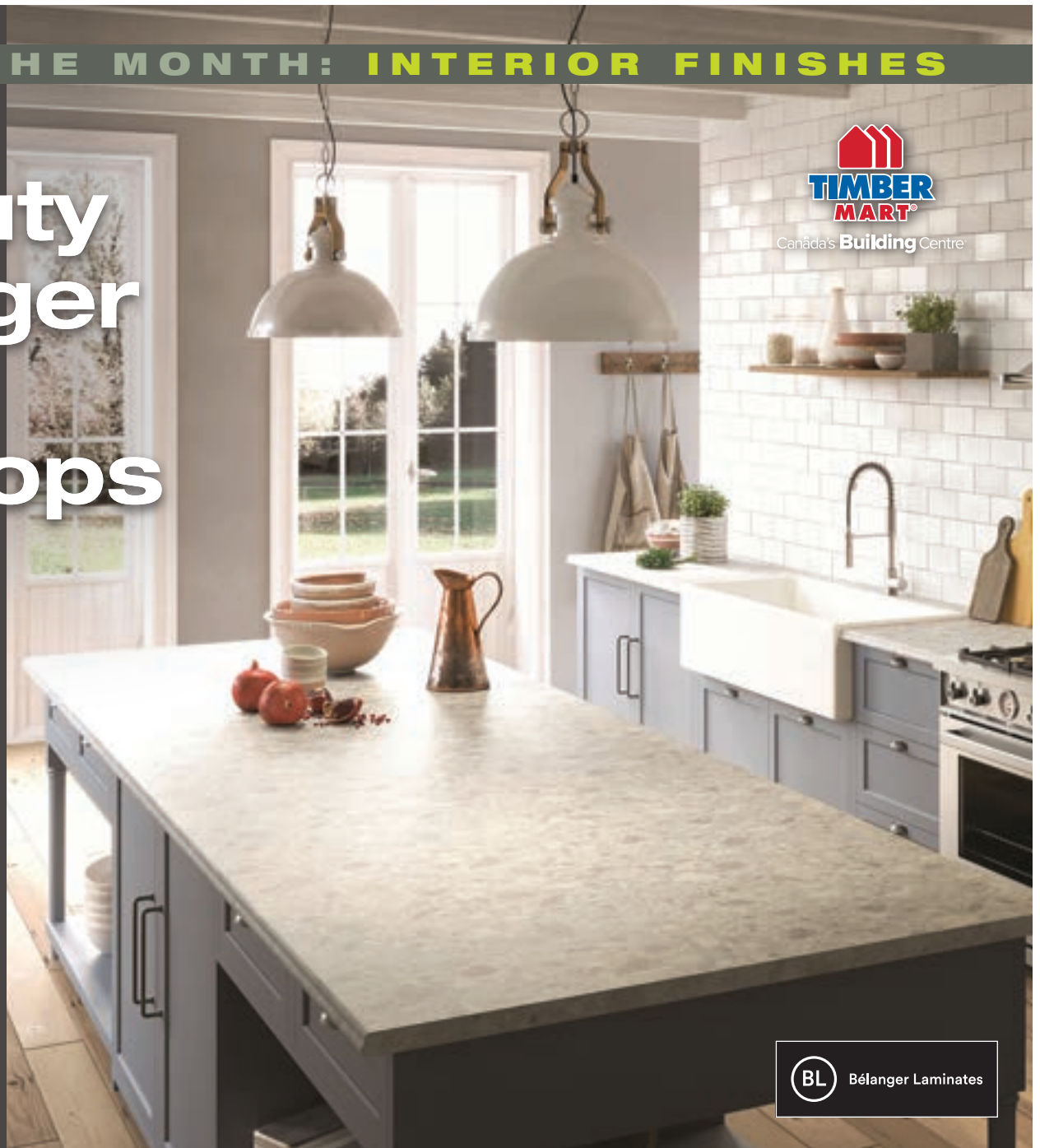
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The beauty of Bélanger laminate countertops

Bélanger laminate countertops can provide your home with the luxurious look and feel of real stone without the maintenance or high cost. The seamless flow of these countertops reduces bacteria and dirt build-up, making it a great choice for kitchens, bathrooms and workshops. Bélanger Laminates are as tough as they are beautiful. The stain, scratch and chip-resistant surface is able to withstand extreme temperatures of up to 135°C.



Available in a range of contemporary textures, trendy colours and assorted edge profiles, Bélanger laminate countertops deliver high end style for a fraction of the cost.

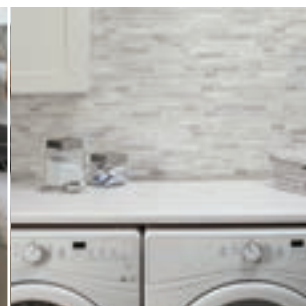


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Flooring update

Wood or simulated wood floors are popular with homeowners and are a sophisticated choice that suits any style of decor. Today's trend of using the same flooring throughout the home means a flooring budget can be quite large so it's important for homeowners to consider their lifestyle as well as aesthetics when choosing. If solid hardwood is outside of your budget, laminate, vinyl planking and engineered hardwood are the next best thing. Vinyl planks in particular mimic the look and texture of hardwood and it is sometimes difficult to tell the difference between the two. Vinyl planks also have the added bonus of standing up to moisture, making it a viable choice for kitchens and bathrooms. A popular trend is flooring with wider planks and this is possible only in simulated wood flooring because there is no risk of splitting that you would get in hardwood. Talk to a TIMBER MART Flooring Expert to help you select the right flooring for your needs and budget. Check out our range of in-stock products for the best deals.

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A molded composite door is the most popular and affordable interior door. Available in assorted styles, they define a space and add character to your home. While style will be a big factor in choosing a door, below are other things to consider.

Slab or pre-hung There are 2 kinds of interior doors: slab and pre-hung. Slab is just the door and doesn't include a frame or hinges. Pre-hung is the same door hinged within a frame.

Primed or prefinished Most composite doors are primed and require painting. Prefinished doors with factory finish are available on special order.

Core type There are 2 types of door cores, hollow core and solid core. Hollow core doors are lightweight, inexpensive and easy to install. Solid core, also called Safe'n Sound, are stronger, heavier and have better soundproofing. They're better insulated and provide good fire resistance.

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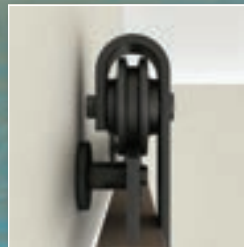


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Barn door

A sliding barn door system is a great solution for small spaces where a swinging door isn't practical. The only space requirement is an area adjacent to the doorway to allow the door to slide freely. Once you've chosen the door to suit your style, the track and hangers will finish the look you've always wanted. Suitable for door opening of 24" to 40", the Onward Rustic Barn Door Hardware Kit has four popular finishes to choose from; Black, Dark Brown, Satin Nickel or White.

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Feature wall



Shiplap panelling

Add instant charm to a blank wall with this casual wall treatment. Originally used to build boats, then as exterior sheathing on houses, today shiplap is used as a decorative treatment for interior walls. Metrie shiplap boards are primed and painted Polar-White, perfect for any decor scheme. There's no paint prep or paint clean up - just install and you're done! Can be hung horizontally or vertically.



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Stone veneer

Adding the look of natural stone to your home gives an immediate high-end look and for not necessarily a high-end cost. Fusion Stone is a thin, lightweight stone veneer that can be easily installed onto most surfaces including drywall. It is an ideal way to turn an ordinary fireplace into a dramatic focal point or add interest to a plain wall. There are three distinct textures to choose from and these are available in assorted colours.



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Texture

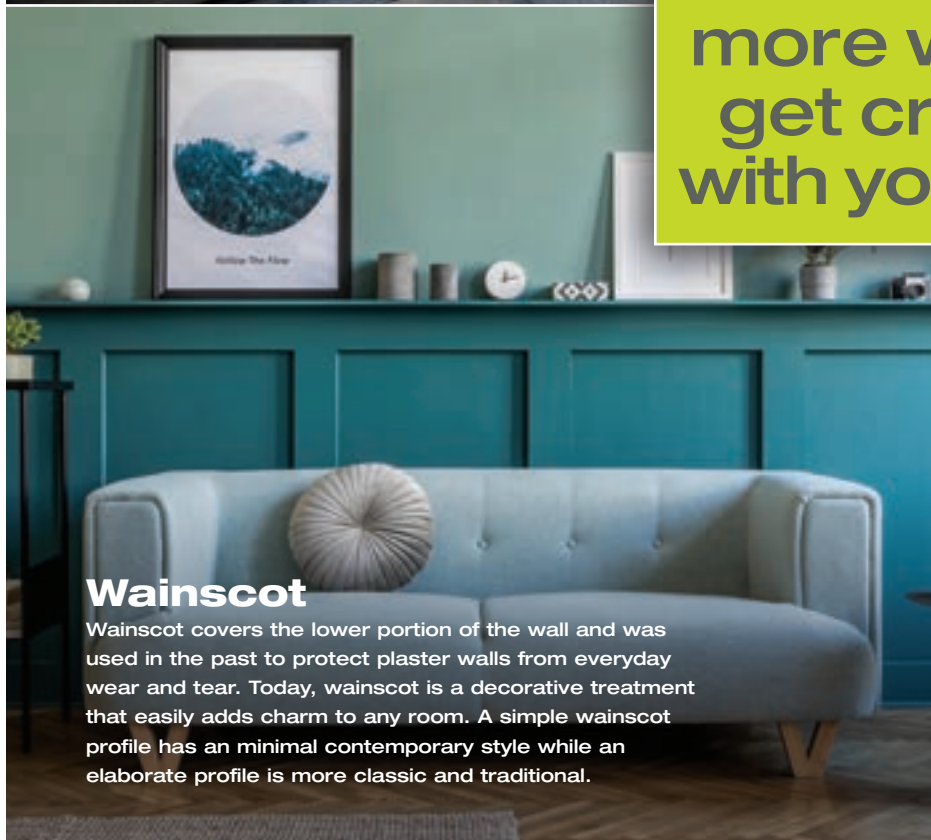
Build an interesting feature wall using scrap lumber of different shapes and sizes. You can leave the textured wall as natural wood for a warm rustic look or give it a coat of paint for a more contemporary look.



Panel moulding

Any type of moulding can be used to create these timeless panels depending on the look you are going for. There are no rules so you can go as simple or ornate as you want. Measuring is key so start by making a detailed plan.

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get creative
with your walls



Wainscot

Wainscot covers the lower portion of the wall and was used in the past to protect plaster walls from everyday wear and tear. Today, wainscot is a decorative treatment that easily adds charm to any room. A simple wainscot profile has a minimal contemporary style while an elaborate profile is more classic and traditional.



Freestyle

Flex your creativity and have fun with moulding and trim! Adding a strong visual element is an inexpensive way to transform a flat surface with pattern and texture.

A unique design will give your space character and reflect your individual style.

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Style with paint

Give your room an instant makeover

Paint has the ability to completely transform a room for a relatively low cost and is one of the best bang-for-your-buck home improvement projects you can do over the span of a weekend. Choosing colours for your home is a deeply personal choice and can be a bit intimidating. A good place to start is to decide if you want your rooms to be bright and light-filled, bold and dramatic or a combination of both. Look to your furniture and decor for a colour direction. If your furniture is neutral, you can probably go with any colour on your walls. If your furniture is coloured, choose a paint colour that is more on the neutral side. Keep in mind that the colour you choose for one room should relate to the colours of the adjacent rooms.

PPG and Sico have quality paint product lines that will give you the professional result you want. For information and product details on PPG and Sico paint, click on the cans below.



Looking for advice on how to paint a room?

Click here for information from the paint experts at PPG on how to quickly and easily transform a room with a fresh coat of paint



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Coffered ceiling

A coffered ceiling is a classic architectural detail that dates back thousands of years. It is a series of built-up beams added to a flat ceiling in a rectangular or square grid. It creates a highly decorative and dramatic focal point to any room. Because the grid of the coffered ceiling hangs down quite low, ceilings should be at least 9 feet tall. You shouldn't be able to reach up and touch a coffered ceiling.

Tray ceiling

A tray ceiling resembles an upside down tray with the perimeter of the ceiling being 6 to 14 inches lower than the centre. It can be simple and unadorned or can be detailed with crown moulding and panel features like the ceiling pictured.

This type of ceiling is recommended for minimum 8 foot ceilings because of the drop in the perimeter height. A tray ceiling is commonly found in master bedrooms and adds an elegant architectural detail to a typically plain feature.

Suspended ceiling

This type of ceiling hangs on a grid below a room's structural ceiling and is often found in finished basements. The biggest advantage to this type of ceiling is being able to easily access pipes, wires and your home's systems without having to demolish a drywall ceiling. Simply move the ceiling tiles and replace them when finished. This image features easy-to-install Embassy ceiling with a contemporary coffered look.

Ceilings

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Before & after

Turn a basic room into something special with moulding

Adding trim to an otherwise basic room makes a powerful style statement. When you're considering the best way to add trim to a room, don't just think baseboards and crown moulding, add it in the form of wainscoting or a paneled feature wall. You can go with a chunky layered look or go more streamlined with simple profiles. MDF is often the trim material of choice because it's less expensive than solid wood and easier to work with for the average DIY-er. When it comes to the design possibilities trim offers, you are only limited by your imagination.



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Building a workshop: Selecting the right wood glue

Choosing the right wood glue can take the construction of your own workshop to the next level. From furniture building, woodworking and cabinetry making to even assembling outdoor projects, wood glue is versatile, and can be a critical part of the success and durability of your project.

While wood is relatively easy to work with, with its soft, porous surface that makes it easy to join pieces together with nails and screws, creating a truly permanent, strong chemical bond using the right wood glue will ensure long-term durability of your project. Read on to learn some important considerations for selecting the right wood glue for your project.

- **PVA (poly-vinyl acetate) glue** is a great and popular choice for many basic woodworking projects due to its ease of use, high tack yet ability to be re-positioned as you clamp, non-toxicity and strong, flexible bonds. It also cleans up easily with water and comes in special varieties depending on your application needs, such as how quickly you need the glue to set, application temperature, and if you are working indoors or outdoors.
- **Polyurethane glue** is very durable and cures in the presence of water. It bonds well to wood and many other materials and is waterproof. Because of this, it is a great choice for outdoor applications, and places where you need a very strong, tight bond.
- **Cyanoacrylate, or super glue**, bonds in a matter of seconds at room temperature, and is handy for quick repairs, like a split in a workpiece or chipped furniture components. It can bond dissimilar materials, and once cured, creates a rigid bond.
- **Epoxy resin** is a two-component material, consisting of a resin and a hardener that cures within hours after using it on a wooden surface. It can be cut, ground, and polished for different effects, and its range of options from low to high viscosity make it an ideal choice for use on wood and filling in gaps and cracks.