

Time To Re-decorate? Part 5

A question often asked is “how do I combine fabric patterns?” One of my totally favourite things is choosing fabrics. I could and have spent hours and hours finding interesting mixes; what fun!

In a room use one large, one medium and one small print and then some solids.

Add a fabric of a solid colour that is common to each pattern; just keep in mind your chosen style and what textures and patterns would apply.

A few examples:

Use of two fabrics that are identical to each other except one has a dark background and light pattern while the other is the opposite.

Use the same pattern in a different colour, again keeping in mind your colour scheme.

Using one floral and one geometric by choosing patterns that have the same colours or colours that work well together, again being mindful of your chosen colour scheme.

Applying patterns with the same theme but have a different scale, i.e. plaids that have a different scale.

Using two similar patterns of a similar scale that have the same colour or colours that complement each other.

When mixing several patterns; the application of the same or very different pattern sizes. The colours must match exactly. Use a minimum of three to five patterns.

Ladies and gentlemen, start your engines and get decorating. My hope is that this guide will give you the tools you need to begin your project! I would love to hear from you or answer any questions you may have. Good luck and happy decorating!

If you are selling your home and are looking for someone to "stage" your home, contact my friend Suze at <http://www.suzeinteriors.ca/> here in Vancouver or their other location in Collingwood, Ontario.