

WELCOME TO OUR

Home Design Newsletter

we're so glad you're here!

Hygge



January felt about a year long, but we made it! Erin has been busy working on existing projects as well as starting some new ones, including a fun basement teen hangout room. We're giving some focus to the EWP Instagram account and creating some great new content over there so be sure to follow us at [@ewpinteriors](https://www.instagram.com/ewpinteriors) if you don't already.

February in New England also has us feeling the nesting vibes. Do you love to hunker down this time of year? The Norwegian concept of hygge (pronounced hue-gah) describes a mood based on finding happiness in comfort and conviviality. If you're feeling shut in and tired of the cold, consider inviting some friends over for fireside warm drinks surrounded by cozy blankets, candles, and a great music playlist. We love Spotify playlists so you can set the music and then forget about it.

Product of the Month

One of the easiest ways to add texture and warmth to a room is with soft throw blankets. This [faux fur throw](#) from Arhaus is second to none. It's warm, has nice weight to it, and is so soft it almost feels like real fur...but it's machine washable. It's the blanket everyone in your household will fight over (speaking from personal experience...)



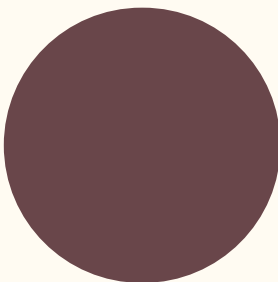
What have we been up to?

We have some pretty big news in this area actually...EWP Interiors has officially expanded into new office space at 90 Leonard Street in Belmont Center! New carpet and window treatments are going in, shelving has been assembled, and we're busy getting things stocked and organized. It's a new chapter in the growth of the business and we're feeling really excited for what the future holds.



Some paint colors we are loving

A favorite red and pink in honor of Valentine's Day



Preference Red
Farrow & Ball

This rich, deep red is a classic yet modern choice for a study, a formal living room, or a lounge space.



Baby Fawn
Benjamin Moore

A medium toned neutral that would be beautiful on wood trim in a white walled room.



Middleton Pink
Farrow & Ball

A pink so soft and subtle you almost don't notice it's pink.

Quotable Moment This Month

You cannot buy the right atmosphere or a sense of togetherness. You cannot hygge if you are in a hurry or stressed out, and the art of creating intimacy cannot be bought by anything but time, interest and engagement in the people around you.

-Meik Wiking, The Little Book of Hygge

February Design Tip

Sticking with our newsletter theme of hygge, let's look at a few ways to add comfort and warmth to your home in winter.

- Soft textures – If you're not looking to fully redecorate, think about adding a few accents to your existing decor. Some examples are keeping fur throw blankets in a basket (like February's product of the month), draping a sheepskin rug over the back of a sofa, or adding a couple velvet pillows to your current collection.
- Lighting – Overhead light is great for cooking or other task-based activities in the home, but it is definitely not cozy. Don't underestimate the difference a few thoughtfully placed lamps can make in the feel of a room. Try adding a floor lamp to an empty corner or next to a chair or bench, or a couple of table lamps to side or console tables. As you consider areas for lamps, think about trying to disperse the lamplight throughout the room.
- Candlelight – Lighting a candle in a room adds instant visual warmth and gives your house a signature scent. You can buy inexpensive candles practically anywhere, but it's worth splurging for a higher end option. Cheap candles are often cloying with really basic scent profiles while a high quality candle will have depth and complexity to it. Some brands to try are Barr-Co (their grapefruit fir scent is so lovely), Byredo, and Diptyque (Baies is a personal favorite scent).

I'm so glad you're here! As always, reach out with any design questions or inquiries. We have some availability for spring 2025 clients and would love to talk to you if you have projects you've been thinking of doing in your home.

xo , *Erin*