

WELCOME TO OUR

Home Design Newsletter

we're so glad you're here!



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Positive Mindset

This time of year in New England positive mindset is everything. The days can be anywhere from 70 degrees and lovely to 30 degrees and windy. It's total whiplash and it's hard not to feel negative about it sometimes. But we're big believers in finding beauty wherever you can, and though it can be tough to embrace sometimes, there is beauty in the in-between.

This applies to projects in our homes too. When you're in the middle of a big project it can be overwhelming and stressful. You can't see the end in sight, things might feel like a mess, and you have noise and people in your house every day. If you start to feel aggravated by this, try looking at the design plan or any renderings of the final result to remind yourself what all of this is leading to. Or maybe you have project paralysis. You have something you want to do or change but you don't know where to start or how to narrow down choices. Figure out the very first thing that would need to happen and do it! That first step might be talking to a designer and we are here for you all the way.

Product of the Month

This one's a little out there but why use a boring old downspout when you could use a [rain chain](#) instead?! You replace any downspout with a rain chain and it trickles water down from your gutters in a much more lovely way. We love any opportunity to turn something utilitarian into a moment of beauty. April showers bring...tinkly sound ambiance and a stunning visual display!



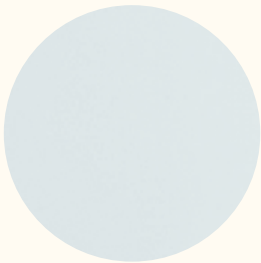
What have we been up to?



Maybe you've picked up on this, but EWP Interiors is now a team of two! Jen Bridgman joined Erin at the beginning of February and has been working behind the scenes managing social media, marketing, and helping with design projects for new clients. Jen wrote a successful design blog and ran affiliated social accounts for ten years before deciding to pursue working for an interior design studio. She lives in Concord, MA with her husband, two teenage daughters, and her dog, Ruby, who is a total diva but also the cutest. In

her free time Jen watches thousands of hours of middle and high school sports, feeds everyone, dreams of design projects for her own home, walks Ruby, reads books, does volunteer work with her daughters, and is slowly making her way through *Severance*.

Paint colors we're loving



Sky High

Benjamin Moore

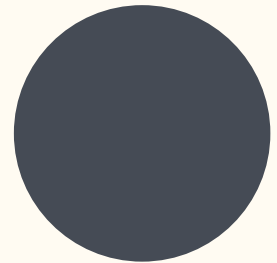
A light and airy blue, with a slight yellow undertone for a subtle aqua hue. Perfect color for a bathroom.



Swiss Coffee

Benjamin Moore

An essential white with just the right amount of warmth. We love as a neutral living room backdrop.



Hale Navy

Benjamin Moore

A use-anywhere shade of navy. We love color drenching a room with wainscoting in this shade.

Quotable Moment This Month

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude." — Maya Angelou

April Design Tip

Window treatments are one of those finishing touches in a room that really make a design look fully complete and polished. Here are three of our favorite kinds of window treatments and where we like to use them.

- **Patterned roman shades.** We love these to add a little color and personality to kitchen windows, where you sometimes don't have a lot of color or pattern otherwise. They're also functional if you have kitchen windows that are east or west facing and sun can be glaring during certain times of day. We also love this look in bedrooms if you don't have space for drapes or otherwise don't care for full length drapes in a bedroom.
- **Pleated drapes.** This kind of window treatment can be used anywhere. They're great in a living room, family room, dining room, bedroom, even a primary bathroom if you're feeling fancy. We always recommend a pleated drape, either a french pleat or a pinch pleat are our favorites. Grommet drapes can look dated and bunching a curtain on a rod pocket doesn't do any justice to the curtain. Good quality drapes are a little bit of an investment but well worth it, and if you don't have room in your budget for custom drapes, there are many ready-to-order stores that sell neutral, good quality pleated drapes that cost much less than custom.
- **Woven blinds.** These can be paired with drapes for a layered look or to add some texture. We also love a woven or rattan blind in a bathroom for privacy and softness in a room that is mostly hard surfaces.

We're so glad you're here! As always, reach out with any design questions or inquiries at erin@ewpinteriors.com. We always offer an initial free phone consultation if you have any projects you'd like to explore. We have availability for late spring and early summer 2025 clients for both full service and design consultations and would love to talk to you !

xo , Erin