

You've heard of color drenching but have you heard of stripe drenching? Here's how to bring this classic yet dramatic look into your home

We spoke with interior designers and uncovered their favorite ways to decorate with stripes in five iconic looks

Stripes have long been incorporated into interiors. From nautical styles to more whimsical and playful looks, there's always been a place for stripes in the home. They're (surprisingly) neutral and tend to look good in most spaces, adding interest with their bold color and striking pattern.

We witnessed stripes having a moment in 2024 and it seems the <u>design</u> <u>trend</u> continues this year with designers opting for an even more pronounced look. Taking its name from the pattern-drenching trend, the 'stripe-drenched' look is similarly impactful and bold. While it's not for everyone, there are many variations of the style but the full-force, large-scale stripe look has turned our heads and impressed us with its potency.

Speaking with design experts, we've got the scoop the stripe-drenching trend and discovered designers' favorite ways to <u>decorate with stripes</u> in their projects.

3. GO FOR A CLASSIC LOOK WITH HERITAGE STRIPES

Although stripe-drenched is a current trend, there are many examples of striped interiors that are totally timeless. You can often find them in historic buildings as they 'highlight architectural nuances such as curves and angles,' says Carol Miller, trend and color expert at <u>York Wallcoverings</u>.

4. PAIR DIFFERENT STRIPE WIDTHS

We've seen looks with varied stripe directions, but stripe width is just as important when creating a 'drenched' look. Combining stripe patterns in varying widths is a great way to create drama through layering the print.

'Combining thick and thin stripes creates a dynamic, layered look that adds visual interest. The boldness of thick stripes draws attention, while the thinner stripes help balance the contrast, bringing a sense of rhythm and harmony to the pattern.' says Hannah Reach, Brand Manager at WallPops

When designing a space with stripes in mind, establish a shared color palette and then incorporate your striped wallpaper, furnishings, and decor. This will ensure the room is not overwhelmed and feels cohesive yet quirky.

Hannah gives a great example of this look, saying, 'For instance, if your walls feature bold red and white awning stripes, balance them with pinstripes or hairline stripes in coordinating red or white tones for upholstery, curtains, or artwork.'