

## Interesting Window Treatment Ideas For Your Home

Ideas for interesting window treatments can indeed be difficult to come by. We all want to bring out the best in our windows as they are allowing sunshine into our homes. While finding creative window treatments can be a challenge to say the least, it is good to know however, that there are many non-traditional design ideas and tips to help inspire you. Using these tips, you can have window treatments that look like a million bucks even if your bank account is slightly less accommodating.

Recycling old items is a great way to bring budget and originality into play with window treatments. Old lace table clothes make excellent curtain panels. Even stained lace curtains can be given new light if you decide to "antique" them. This is a process that is easily accomplished by putting a mixture of half hot water and half boiling water into a bucket with 30 tea bags. Once the water has been colored you add your curtain panels and let them soak in this mixture for thirty hours. You will need to stir occasionally to make sure the stain is even. After 30 hours remove the curtains from the mixture taking care to squeeze as much of the water out as possible then hang them to dry.

Of course curtains aren't the only things you can use for window treatments. Blinds are experiencing renewed popularity, particularly the old fashioned wooden blinds. Many people prefer the warm tones of the wood and it goes well with a wide variety of decorating styles. Prices for wooden blinds can vary depending on what type you select. The choices range from wooden Venetian blinds to faux wooden blinds. Do some comparison shopping and you'll be sure to find a store that will offer a discounted price for you. If you are vigilant, you can find antique folding window covers at garage sales or auctions for a song. These can be refinished or painted decoratively for added beauty.

Little touches can go a long way when dressing up tired old curtains. If you have a set of totally unspectacular drapes, try stringing a silk garland through the top (the garland can be of flowers or greenery, whatever matches your decor). These garlands are quite easy to care for (just hand wash them with water and dishwashing detergent in the tub and hang to dry) and make a huge impact to the room and your windows.

Your options for window treatments are limited only by your own creativity and inventiveness. Some of the most stunning window treatments have been creative larks made on the spur of the moment.

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