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## Tile Trends for 2017

If you are considering re-tiling your kitchen or bathroom then we have brought some of the colours and types of tiles you will find here for inspiration for your project.



### Tile Trend 1 – Wood effect tiles

The range of colours in wood effect tiles is increasing and with a colour of wood to suit modern or traditional décor if you are considering underfloor heating a wood effect tile throughout the ground floor of your home could be the answer. Herringbone designs like the one shown above will also become increasingly popular.

### Tile Trend 2 – Masonry Interpretations

We have seen brick effect wallpaper becoming more popular as a feature wall there are now tiles which bring the look of brick, or concrete into the home. Another part of this trend is the move back towards rustic finishes with terracotta floor tiles becoming more popular. Again a bare pared back effect can look equally good in a modern or traditional home with concrete-look tiles in subtle shades of grey for a very modern approach or warm terracotta tones on floor or walls for the more traditional approach.



### Tile Trend 3 – The Feature Wall

If you thought feature walls were only for wallpaper, think again. Bringing pattern and colour back into tiled areas will give your room the look of a designer makeover. Consider a pop of vibrant colour in the area behind the hob in the kitchen or on one side of a shower. When considering colour, with Dulux’s colour of the year being stonewashed denim you will see a lot more blue around with greys.



The tile above is from a range called Via Veneto. These décor tiles are available in a random mix of 12, there are also plain tiles to match.

The second tile shown is from a range named Wallpaper and creates a stunning effect in grey.

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#### Tile Trend 4 – Geometric Designs

Some geometric designs will hark back to traditional designs with black and white becoming popular whilst more modern 3-D style patterns will also be available.



Scrapwood tile shown on a patio.

#### And Finally

Don't worry if you don't want vibrant colour and geometric designs in your home there will always be classic white or cream tiles and marble is never out of fashion. As American Designer Bunny Williams once said “If you love something it will work. That’s the only real rule.”



Shown here are two of the geometric designs available. The floor tile is from a range called Heritage which also includes Victorian style designs suitable for creating a classic hallway in your home. The wall tile shown here features a 3-d style geometric design with a metallic and matt finish to give it extra effect.

#### Tile Trend 5 – Seamless Outdoor Living

Whilst Britain doesn't have a Mediterranean Summer most of us long to have an in-side/out-side space to lure us out into the garden on those long summer evenings. If you're considering bi-fold doors opening onto a patio as part of your home refurbishment then consider running the same tile from inside to outside this will create a seamless transition from home to garden. A number of floor tiles can be used both inside and outside but be sure to check with your supplier before you buy as one cold winter could leave an un-suitable tile cracked.

