

# Home Remodeling Tips

## In a Blue Mood?

Pantone’s 2020 Color of the Year is “Classic Blue”



Diamond shaped porcelain bathroom tile glazed in Classic Blue.



White cabinets and gray quartz countertops in harmony with a Classic Blue kitchen island.

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Most of us look to our homes to provide a place of calm, comfort, and peaceful permanence. So, it’s fitting as we close out a tumultuous decade that Pantone has selected steadfast “Classic Blue” as their 2020 Color of the Year.

Appreciated for its understated mood, evocative of night skies and deep waters, HDR Remodeling’s Design Team loves working with this versatile hue of blue – as do many of our clients. In fact, Classic Blue made an appearance in several recent remodeling projects.

### Classic Blue to the rescue

For a recent kitchen remodel, we re-envisioned a cramped, outdated space into an efficient space with lots of usable counters.

The neutral palette and crisp design is dominated by bright white cabinets and a matching tile backsplash briefly interrupted by cool gray quartz counters. The kitchen needed an appropriate accent color to harmonize the neutral palette. We installed custom kitchen island cabinetry in Classic Blue and topped it with the same gray quartz counter material. The contrast between the white perimeter cabinets and the deep blue island gives the kitchen a tailored finished look and subdued presence of color. Timeless, perfectly on-trend and, dare we say, classic.

Our client was delighted with our design prescience, after all – we recognized the beauty and elegance Classic Blue brought to the home before the purveyors of



Cabinets and appliances custom fitted into a Classic Blue kitchen island.

all things color made their announcement.

### Classic Blue in the Watery Bathroom

Next, our client asked us *not* to play it safe with color when we went to remodel their bathroom, looking instead for bold and impactful. To pay homage to the Classic Blue in the kitchen – and to create a complementary theme in the home – we chose Pantone’s 2020 Color of the Year for the tile flooring.

We picked a distinctive, diamond-shaped porcelain tile glazed in Classic Blue to add a modern touch to a traditional design - giving the room a tranquil, sea-like quality, surrounded in blue.

With their shiny, reflective surfaces, the bright blue tiles perfectly complement the modern porcelain fixtures, while achieving color cohesiveness throughout the home.

Classic Blue is the perfect

choice for watery bathroom environments, and we use it often through thoughtful material selection and application.

### How do you do, Classic Blue?

Think of Classic Blue as a response to the need for restful spaces in our homes, a place that lets us calm our minds and inspire clear thinking. If you’re ready to add a little stability with a dash of enduring color, we have a few design trends to share with you – including introducing Classic Blue into your home.

If you’re thinking of adding color to liven up your home, call us today for a complimentary in-home consultation. We can use Classic Blue - but, that’s entirely up to you.

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