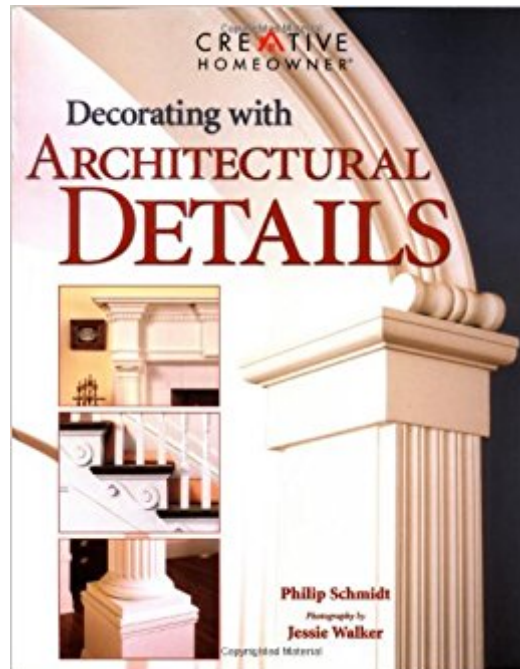


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# Decorating With Architectural Details



## Synopsis

Decorating with Architectural Details offers the latest inspirational ideas for the most popular design trend in today's market. Incorporating classic design elements such as mantels, window seats, shelving, and more, homeowners learn how to turn a humdrum room into a distinctive living space. Readers can create a custom look for any room using the numerous style concepts. Hundreds of lavish photographs by renowned photographer Jessie Walker capture the inspiration and excitement of details and design elements in real-world settings.

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## Customer Reviews

I have recently bought an old house that needs lots of work. I am new to home improvement and found this book really helpful. It is well-written and the practical approach makes it very accessible. Just flicking through the pages gives you loads of ideas and inspiration. There are technical drawings for a behind-the-scenes, how-to view. The photos are accompanied by clear (and occasionally witty) captions. There's also a useful glossary. I have filled three recessed nooks with shelves and am now renovating my staircase with the help of this book.

I loved this book. Much more than a how-to book, so well written that I would have read it just for pleasure, even if I hadn't needed the detailed and clear practical instruction. Very historically informative. Reminds me of some of the best cookbooks: the reading of it is as much fun as making the recipes.

This is the perfect book for someone in the construction phase of their dream home. There are so many pictures providing a plethora of innovative ideas. I really liked the construction pictures that depict how a few separate pieces of molding can create a spectacular design! I'm taking the whole book to my trim guy so he can have a 'visual' of exactly what I want. I've purchased a lot of books as a first time owner/builder, and I have to say, this was certainly one of the best!

I have found this book to be very helpful when I see architectural features in a house with which I am unfamiliar. When I am done with it, I share it with other new agents. The descriptions used by the author have helped us write descriptions of our listings on the Multiple Listing Service. We realty agents see varieties of architecture that must be described briefly to help sell the homes. The book provides some descriptive terms that help us beginners.

I am a custom carpenter in Metro Detroit, and have a large library of carpentry / trimwork detail books. I mostly use these books for discovering my customer's style and for generating ideas for their projects. This book is by far one of my 2 most referenced books in my library. It makes nearly every trip I make to a new customer's home. It contains great photographs of very nice architectural details. I highly recommend it, and will soon be buying my second, and possibly third, copy.

Note: I'm coming at this from a professional perspective. I don't mind if only one or 2 pictures in a book are useful. This book distinguished itself by by having none. Literally not one picture of good architectural trim. The accompanying text was equally bad, though I guess not entirely useless if you knew literally nothing about house styles. Many of the examples were actually wrong. Probably the majority. The book should have been entitled "how to make garbage looking trim out of what is lying around your local orange box store". If you've always dreamed of incorporating cheap fake colonial casing into a built up crown moulding, this is the book for you. No mention of the orders, etc. etc. etc. Basically, not up to wikipedia. There are far better books. I paid 1 cent plus shipping, thankfully, but way overpaid. I'll keep almost any book in my design library - I have hundreds - but this is going to goodwill. Or the recycling bin, actually, so no one accidentally uses it as a resource. Its basically "Interior Trim for Vinyl Siding Houses"

I bought this book for my wife for Christmas. She likes it as an inspirational book to get some ideas of what we can do for some woodworking/trim for our house. We find it a little light on the "how to"

sections, so we also ordered the Trimwork book - part of the same series.

I bought this book when we were building our new home. It came in real handy. I love architectural details, but was not very familiar with the terms. It really helped me express to the builder what we really wanted. Great picture and excellent overall quality. Great book for anyone interested in architecture.

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