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Georgian style

We asked Cheshire interior designer Jojo Bradley to talk us through how to bring Georgian elegance to the home



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What is Georgian style?

Georgian style embraces the interior design that developed through the century of the reign of the three Georges, from 1713 to 1837. With each new king's reign the evolution of the style become lighter and brighter. Georgian style requires three key elements: symmetry, classical silhouettes and quiet colours. It is an easy style to reflect, that translates well into homes with existing classical features and for those who enjoy the more tranquil and calming tones of the colour spectrum.

What does it bring to the British home?

Georgian style brings a touch of elegance and serenity to any British home; it allows you to create a space that is timeless with an inherent warmth and sense of character.

How to do it well

When embarking on creating a Georgian look it is important to establish a base colour to act as a cohesive element throughout. In this recent project, aqua has been chosen as the canvas, from which everything else evolved. Soft colours such as sage green, blue-greys and soft pinks are all perfect for the Georgian palette. Adding bolder splashes of burgundy or raspberry really enhances the overall look, and the juxtaposition of texture and pattern are also crucial.

Georgian style focuses on the use of delicate furniture and soft woodwork; this bespoke headboard with its soft wooden curves emulates that Georgian sensibility. The vibrant Vaughan fabric in raspberry and teal offers a delightful twist and sense of vibrancy for a room with grand proportions.

Treasures and antique pieces

are crucial to giving the space depth and character. Persian rugs, oriental fabrics, chandeliers and ornate wooden pieces are all a must. Keep the scheme cohesive by painting furniture in the same shade as the walls and maintain lightness by incorporating glass and mirrored elements. ♦

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