

Test Stain Paneling

Best Dressed Windows

Sport New Layer Look

When choosing wood paneling for your home, keep in mind the finished color you envision in the room and how much pattern you want from grain and knots.

All wood will darken naturally with age, taking on a rich patina. Wood exposed to sunlight darkens more rapidly.

There are various ways of finishing wood panels: Acid stain, water and alcohol stains, oil stains, thinned undercoats, painted, tinted lacquers, synthetic resins or varnishes, and pigmented wax.

Clear oil stain is the most popular contemporary treatment, sometimes followed by a "wipe-off" coat to give the wood a tinge of color.

The layered look -- top fashion trend for well-dressed women -- is moving into the home, as well. With the narrowing of the gap between fashion and fashions for living, this season's best-dressed windows will sport the same layer-upon-layer look that women are going to wear into cold weather.

And in the case of home fashions, at least, there's logic behind the look. Properly chosen, the layers hold the answer to the problem of keeping outside weather where it belongs: outside of the window.

BEST BETS begin with a top



THE LAYERED LOOK at its match-mated best--turning a bedroom bay into a blooming bower. Color-ton drapery lining, pillow covers and solid accents, picked from Charleston Garden pattern.

layer of decorative draperies, then work back toward the window with back-up layers that protect both your comfort and the good looks of the decorative face fabric.

Panel-plain, tie-back or traverse-draw, the face drapery should be lined -- either with a sewn-in lining, for design traditionalists and everyone who wants to add bulk to a fragile fabric, or with a separately hung lining where airborne dirt and easy maintenance are ma-

for problems. (A lining alone is a lot easier to wash than a bulky, fully-lined drapery.)

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In a ranch house with eye-level windows making up most of what's seen from outside, unify the look with linings in a color to complement trim paint.

FOR THE TRUE layered look, don't stop with draperies. Hang simple, full - window - width casements behind the backs; use valances and shaped lambrequins to unify windows and walls; mix top-half sheers with bottom-half cafes, in a print to match draperies, for a triple-decker effect.

For easy fashion switchery, start with a lining on its own traverse rod. Then hang decorative panels on a second, room-side rod.

The panels change with the season and your mood; the lining remains in place, to provide the basic protection you want.

YOUR CHOICES are literally limitless; window wardrobes come in as many combinations as window sizes and shapes. And this is the season to feel free - to enjoy life with the fashion approach that suits your way of living.

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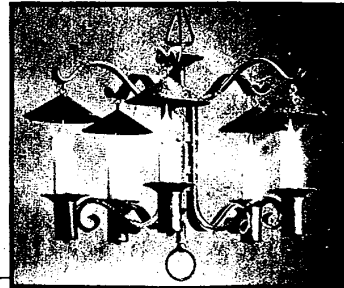
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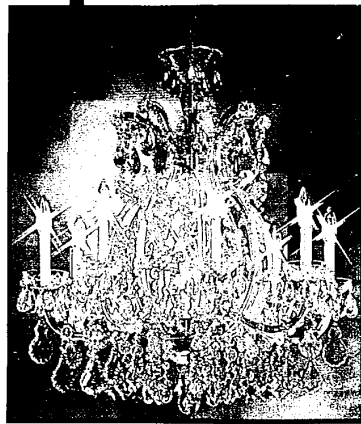
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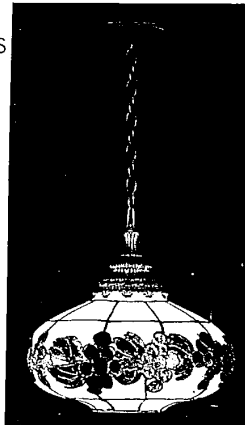
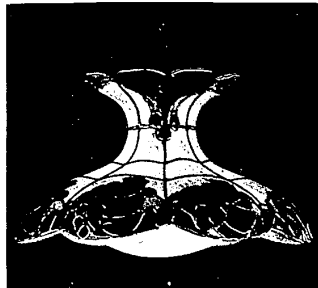


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The three programs scheduled next are immediately keyed to the season and brought to the Detroit area by the Allied Florists Association and the YWCA of Metropolitan Detroit.

On Dec. 3 and 5 Miss Cruso will offer gift suggestions from such unlikely objects as pumice rock, old fish-bowls and other such mundane items, used as a base for growing things, of course.

Christmas cactus which doesn't look very much like a cactus at all is one of her featured items on Dec. 10 and 13 program devoted to the succulents, a good bet for giving to weekend gardeners.

Holiday decorations of both greenery and more permanent varieties will be the subject of the workshop she and her guest, Patsy Francis, will demonstrate on Dec. 17 and 20. Special Christmas workshops for greens, candle-making, angels and other ornaments will be held at most YWCA branches in the metropolitan area between now and Dec. 13. Advance information can be obtained by calling the nearest branch for its schedule and in most cases prior registration is required.

Looseleaf summary sheets on each program may be obtained free by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to "Making Things Grow," Channel 56, Southfield, Michigan, 48075.