



LOTS OF WINDOWS—Increasing use of large windows is one of distinctive features of new homes being built in the Durham area. This house, located in a new development on Janet St. features three large windows all on the same side.

Try Decorating Tricks -- With Bricks

Whether you're shopping for a new home — or thinking about ideas for improving your present place—you may be able to increase its beauty with no maintenance cost, by giving thought to how brick can help you.

Since it's a natural material, it blends beautifully with any landscape or decorative scheme. Walls, patios, barbecues, garden walks and flower planters are just a few of its uses.

Newest idea is an unusual brick latticework effect for walls.

Make It Warm With Wood

Lucky is the housewife with a modern kitchen that provides good storage space and also has an air of warmth. Though these attributes seem related, they really go hand in hand since you can have both in a kitchen simply by using wood.

built-ins and wall or ceiling paneling others are trying unusual installations and different finishes to achieve a contemporary effect.

Today, for example, many people are using pigmented finishes and are installing paneling in unusual patterns such as herringbone and diagonal.

The Western Pine Association reports that wooden cabinets are becoming increasingly popular in kitchens. They may be used in conjunction with lumber paneling or not, depending in part upon the size of your kitchen. Furthermore, while many home-owners prefer traditional treatments generally associated with lumber

Built-ins can fill a wide variety of functions and provide many refinements beyond ordinary shelf, cupboard and closet storage. Cabinets for china, glassware, canned goods, and the like are a starting point, but you may wish to build a special cupboard to house your electric mixer or blender.

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