



ART & HOME

**GO TO GUIDE FOR
FINDING, FRAMING &
HANGING ART IN YOUR
HOME**



INTRODUCTION

I created this guide so you can add beauty to your home without spending a fortune or feeling lost in the process of finding, framing or hanging art.

Art is a wonderful storyteller in your home and adds color and interest to rooms.

I remember feeling overwhelmed by a blank wall, but now I feel confident as I decorate with art. Use these tools and tips to help you confidently add art to the walls.



FINDING ART

Before you pick out art at the sources on the next page, ask yourself a few questions.

1. What colors do I love to see or what colors will look good in the space that needs art?
2. What topics (person, place, things) peak my interest and or could tell a part of my life story?
3. How much money do I have to invest into art for my home?

Once these are answered, you are ready to shop with purpose and direction!

TOP 10 SOURCES FOR AFFORDABLE ART

These sources have a great selection and accessible price points. A few links below are affiliate links, meaning if you buy from the link I will get a small commission.

1. [Etsy](#)

2. [Museum Quality Art](#) Promo Code: LUCYJOHOME for 30% off

3. [Society 6](#)

4. [Amazon](#)

5. Deviant Art

6. [Juniper Print Shop](#)

7. [World Market](#)

8. [Urban Outfitters](#)

9. [Wayfair](#)

10. [Target](#)



FRAMING ART

A frame can also tell a story through the colors and style.

1. Think about your style and find a frame that matches. Do you want simple or ornate? Thin or thick? Wood or another finish?

2. Think about the colors and which frame colors will look cohesive in your room.

TOP 10 SERVICES FOR FRAMING

These services offer professional framing or frames to buy so you can do it yourself. All are sources are linked.

1. [Mpix](#) Use this link to get \$10 off your order
2. [Framebridge](#)
3. [Michaels](#)
4. [Canvas Pop](#)
5. [Simply Framed](#)
6. [Frame It Easy](#)
7. [Shutterfly](#)
8. [Minted](#)
9. [Level Frames](#)
10. [Framed and Matted](#)



HANGING ART

Once you have that perfect art piece, it is time to display it in your home.









Too many pictures and art prints get tucked away because we are afraid to put them on the wall.

If this is you, consider some of the ideas for displaying art below, because you don't even have to put a nail in the wall sometimes.

Don't be afraid to show off your art. You have worked hard to find and frame this art, now let yourself and others enjoy it!

PLACING ART GUIDELINES CHECKLIST

Hang your art so it looks right using these steps.

-  1. When hanging wall art, scale it to the room and furniture. Don't put tiny art above a large sofa or on a tall open wall. Fill the spaces so that it matches the size of the room and furniture.
-  2. Try to get the center of the art at eye level (sixty inches from center of art to floor).
-  3. If it is being hung above a sofa or other piece of furniture, it should go **4 to 6 inches above** and should be **2/3 the width of the furniture**.
-  4. When grouping artwork, make sure they are only spaced **one to two inches apart**, so they look like they belong together.
-  5. Groupings of art should be hung as if they are one piece.
-  6. For gallery walls, trace the art pieces with paper bags or newspapers and then place them on the wall until you like the appearance of the gallery.
-  9. Smaller pieces will look better closer together than the larger items.
-  10. Some gallery frames can be bought together and come with a paper to hang on the wall that guides the placement of each frame.

HANGING ART INSPIRATION

The Wrap-around Gallery Wall

Wrap-around corner gallery



This gallery fills a corner space above a sectional sofa. The uniformity of the frames and prints fits the room in style, color and scale. [GET THE LOOK](#)

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The Small Gallery

Two art pieces behind a side table. Notice it creates a sideways triangle.



There is a lot of bright colors and patterns for cohesion in this photo. [GET THE LOOK](#)

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Mixed Media Gallery

Mixed media walls combine art and objects.



If you have beautiful mirrors, artifacts or collectibles, adding them to a gallery wall can be great. Notice that although this is eclectic, all the colors complement each other. [PENNANTS](#)

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The Leaning Gallery

Use a ledge, bookshelf or console to lean art on top off.



Notice again, cohesion in color scheme for the art and the furniture. Purples, blues and blacks are dominant, with a touch of green and neutrals. [GET THE LOOK](#)

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The Eclectic Gallery

Eclectic art gallery above console. Notice that five art pieces fill the space.



What makes this gallery wall work as far as colors?

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The Symmetrical Gallery

A uniform art gallery. All the same size frames and all black and white prints above a dresser.



You can see an example of this type of gallery on my website:
[click here.](#)

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Large Art Gallery

Large art Centered above sofa
Notice how all the colors coordinate with the art and the rug



Large art can be expensive, but sometimes when you price out the cost of 4-8 prints and framing for those prints, the cost is comparable to cover the same amount of space on your wall. Click [here](#) for more examples of how to decorate behind a sofa.

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Behind the TV



Behind the TV can be tricky, but you can help the TV blend in when you place art strategically behind it. [GET THE LOOK](#)

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Family Picture Displays

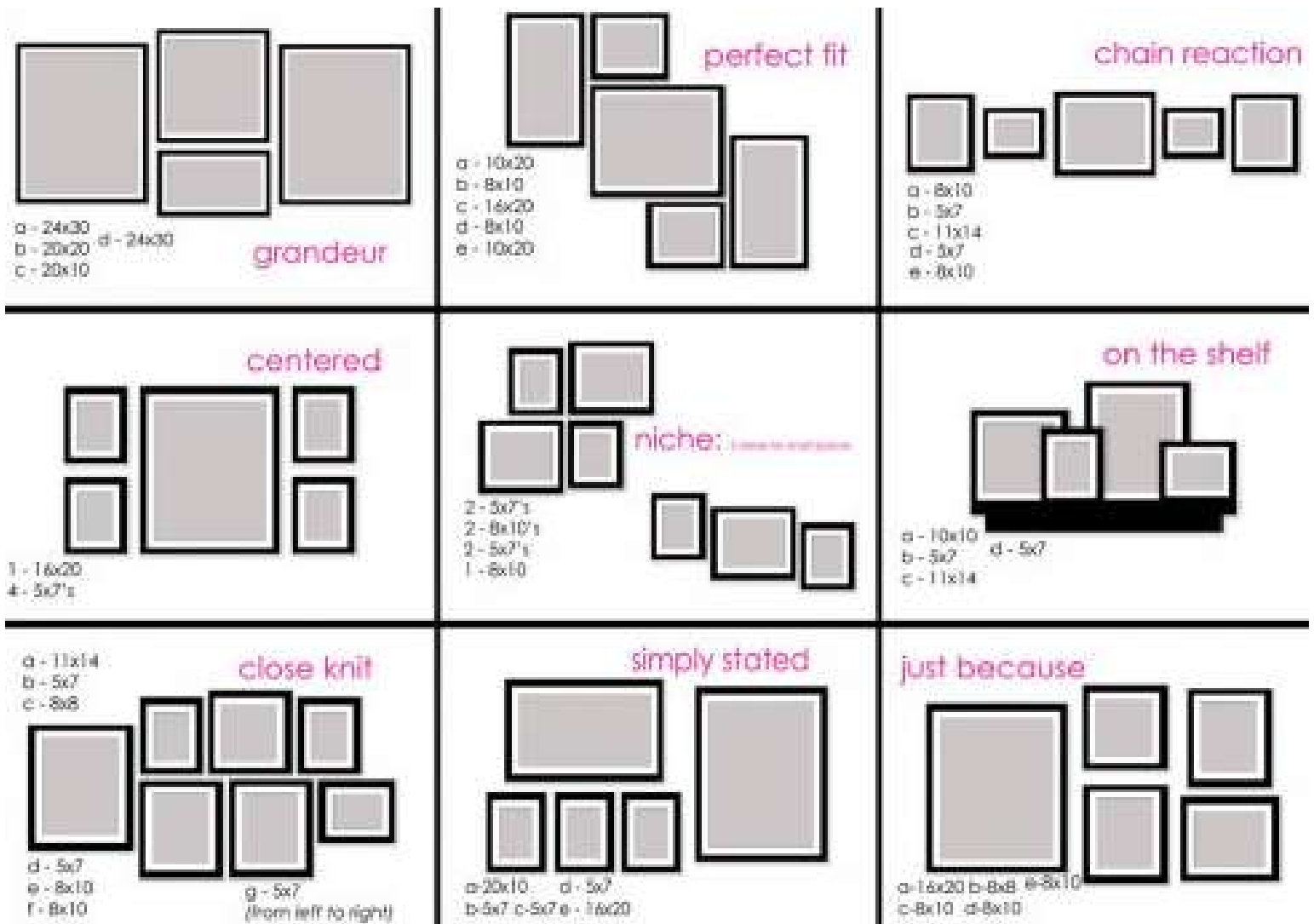


Family photos have the best stories of all the art you can hang. Some designers don't like family pictures to be out in the open, but rather down hallways or on staircase walls, but there are creative ways to display family photos. Don't wait to print photos that make your heart sing. [GET THE LOOK](#)

HANGING ART TEMPLATES

How do you want it to look?

Check out these templates to give you ideas for different gallery art placements.



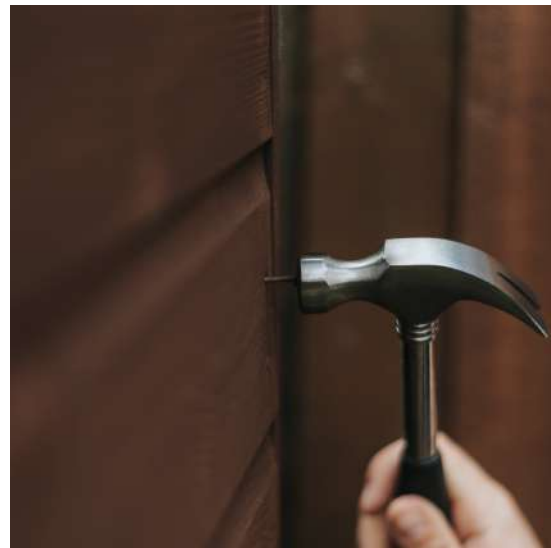
Click [here](#) to see other templates for gallery wall arrangements.

HANGING HARDWARE & TOOLS

Depending on the type and amount of art, different tools and hardware are needed. Your framing service will advice. Here are a few shortcut tools for hanging art. -Hang it Perfect Tool -Hang and Level Tool



Command strips



Hammer and nail(s)



tape measure



drill and drill bits

HANGING ART TEMPLATES







The Plan

Once you choose art that you like, trace the sizes onto paper and hang your gallery with the papers so that you can approve of the appearance before committing nails into the wall. Craft paper or paper bags and painters tape is all you need for this.



STEPS FOR HANGING ART LIKE A PRO

TELL THE HOW THIS LIST WILL SOLVE THEIR PROBLEM.

-  1. What wall needs art? Measure space you want to fill.
-  2. Choose large art or gallery wall. If you choose gallery wall, determine color scheme, sizes & style. Also, how many pieces will you need or want for the gallery wall?
-  3. Choose art from a source listed above
-  4. Choose a framing service or buy frames to DIY
-  5. Trace framed art onto paper and arrange gallery onto wall using placement guidelines on page 8. You can do this before you buy art too, but then be careful with color and style choices so it will still mesh well once art is placed.
-  6. Use proper tools and hardware to hang art and enjoy!

ABOUT ME



After many moves and many mistakes I finally took the time to learn how to decorate my home so that it expresses my soul and style.

I believe art is a huge part of expression and I hope this guide will inspire you to hang art you already have or to buy art that fits you, your family and your home.

If you like this information, please check out my website and my book.



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