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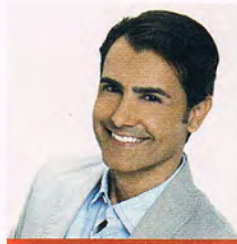
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refresh + redecorate for less

Give your home a stunning style without a stunning price tag. Here are **5** projects you can do to refresh your home's look on a budget.

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lamps: Lighting plays an important role in decorating a room. Many homeowners think a single overhead light source is enough, but adding accent lighting is a great way to create ambience. Consider placing a floor lamp next to a comfortable chair, or mini spotlights behind plants to create a dramatic effect. Place lights on timers, so they turn on automatically at just the right time.

window treatments: New window treatments can make a big difference. If you have dated vertical blinds, install a curtain rod and panels over it. This additional layer of fabric is a great way to add color, texture and pattern to a room.

backsplashes: It's hard to update a kitchen on a limited budget since new cabinets and countertops can be very expensive. A great solution is to change the backsplash, which might increase the value in your kitchen. There are many styles of ceramic tile and glass mosaics, even peel and stick tiles! The installation is easy and since there is less area to cover, the costs for material are minimal.

wood moldings: Installing wood trim is an easy way to add architectural detail in a space. Fitting crown molding against the ceiling; creating raised panels on walls; or adding a chair rail in a dining room can turn an ordinary room into an extraordinary one.

artwork: Your walls are like a blank canvas and offer a perfect opportunity to create focal points of interest. You can save money by making your own artwork. For example, take a piece of fabric with an interesting pattern and place it inside a matted frame. Depending on the size of your wall, create a montage of different prints using six to nine frames. Family photographs also make for a beautiful installation. Enlarge the photos and print them in black & white or sepia. Create a gallery look by using display ledges to rest the frames on and to give the grouping a three dimensional effect.

See 5 more of
Martín's suggestions for
updating your home's
look via this QR Code.
See directions on page 9.

