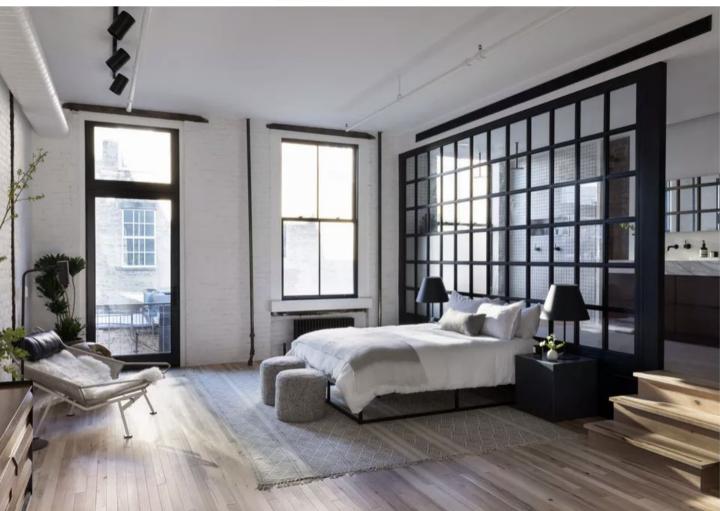


5 Reasons Why Designers Love Exposed Brick

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Clair Esparros for Becky Shea

If you've long lusted over <u>exposed brick walls</u>, you're not alone. It turns out that designers love them, too, and they've shared the full list of reasons why. Whether you wish to keep your brick walls bright red or paint them to alter the mood of a room, the pros are on board. Here's why they think exposed brick is so great.

It Adds Intrigue





Ariana Clare for Caroline Brackett

"I love the dimension it adds to a space," designer <u>Desiree Burns</u> said of exposed brick. And she noted that it doesn't need to be bright red to make a stylish statement. "Even when painted white, it's an <u>immediate accent wall</u> without being too overpowering." Designer <u>Becky Shea</u> also appreciates this approach to the style, and noted, "You can see some of the red permeating through in a subtle fashion, and it's an easy way to brighten up a space without losing the texture of the wall."

If you're adding brick to a newly constructed space, the way in which you plan to decorate it may inform the color of brick you wish to use, designer Louis
Duncan-He said. "If it's more modern and fresh, consider adding a white brick, versus something more timeless and classic and a terracotta colored application," he stated. Of course, going darker in color is an option, too. "For dark and moody lounges I use a lot of black brick to add in depth and layer in tone on tone," Duncan-He added.