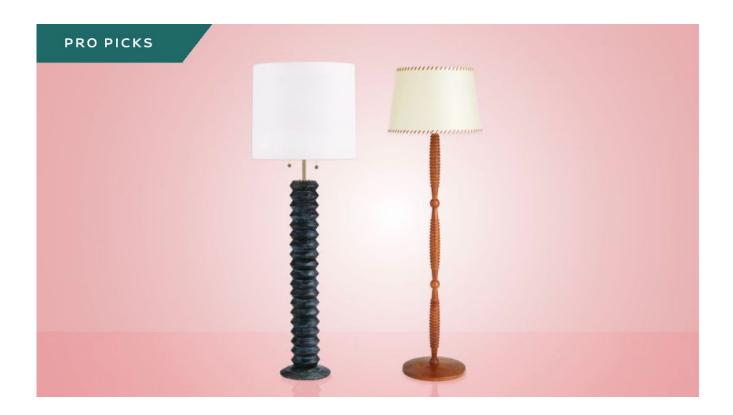


The 15 Best Floor Lamps Chosen by Designers to Light Up Your Life



Interior lighting is notoriously hard to get right. There's a delicate balance in creating light that is soft enough to be flattering, but bright enough for reading or working. It's also challenging to figure out the right mix of overhead and accent lighting. A floor lamp may be the trickiest purchase as these lamps not only need to be a great source of light, they are also a key part of a room's décor.

We asked interior designers to share their favorite floor lamps—ones that they have either owned themselves or used in projects for clients. From a classic brass reading light to a sculptural rice-paper lantern, these expert picks will make your room glow.



A swing arm floor lamp lets you easily control where the light is directed when you're reading. This model features a simple linen shade that also offers diffuse light for the whole room. Caroline Brackett, principal designer at <u>Caroline Brackett Studio of Design</u> in Greenville, S. C., describes this model, designed by Paloma Contreras, as "a transitional take on a traditional style."