

HOW TO DISPLAY YOUR ARTWORK

TIPS FOR HANGING & DISPLAYING ARTWORK LIKE A PRO

Because we're not all interior designers.

Most of us haven't gone to design school, yet we want our homes to look like they belong in an upcoming issue of the latest home decor magazine. Use these tips as a cheatsheet to help you display your artwork like a pro.

1 KNOW THE NUMBERS



The height the center of the artwork should be (inches).



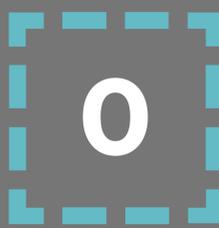
The ideal distance between the top of the furniture and the bottom of the artwork (inches).



Ideal gap size between pieces of art (inches).



Art above furniture should be at least 2/3 its length, but not larger than it.

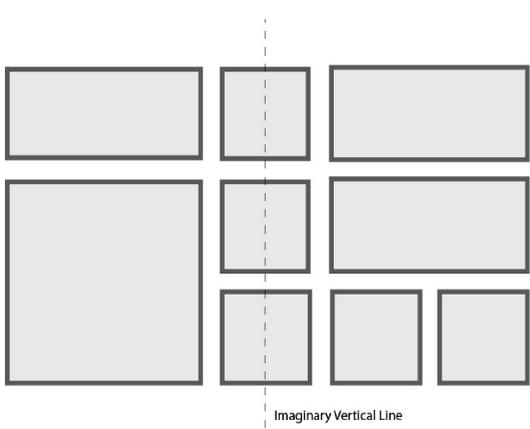


How many unnecessary holes you put in your wall (see hint below!).



Hint: Do a trial run before getting out the hammer!

Cut craft paper to the size of your artwork. Using painter's tape, play around with the layout until you're happy with it.



2 CREATING BALANCE

When planning a gallery wall, imagine two things:

1. Your collection of art is one large piece.
2. There's a vertical line going down the center of the wall.

Position your art equally on either side of the vertical line to create visual balance.

BONUS TIP: Position the largest piece of art on the bottom-left of the gallery wall arrangement. If the arrangement is symmetrical, position this piece in the middle.

3 SIZE MATTERS

Smaller art will be lost on a large wall. Displaying art that's too large is better than art that is too small.

When hanging smaller pieces, group them together to create the feel of something larger.

Display smaller art on smaller walls, like the area between a window and door.

BONUS TIP: Art doesn't need to be hung! Try displaying art on your fireplace mantel, shelf, dresser, or desk. Propping art against a wall or layering pieces looks fabulous too!



4 THE BIG PICTURE



When hanging artwork around a room, don't try to level the frames. It's the center of the art that should be level with each piece. If you have a group of art, use the center of the grouping, not the individual piece.

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