

Hallway ideas – 25 stylish entryways to create a welcoming first impression

From interior details to inventive suggestions for storage, these design-led entrances, hallways and landings will inspire your revamp



(Image credit: John Lewis)



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Find the perfect hallway ideas for your home isn't always easy, but it should be.

From the first space any guest sees to the circulation zones between rooms, all the entryways and hallways in your home demand serious design attention.

Besides often being overlooked, they're also cursed with limited light and no natural focal point, so you need some solid interiors know-how to transform them into artful spaces.

As well as looking inviting in its own right, an entryway or hallway should set the tone for the rest of your home – and should be considered alongside [front porch ideas](#) to ensure a coordinated feel.

6. CHOOSE PAINT WITH A SOFT SHEEN TO REFLECT LIGHT



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Note the paint finish in this entryway – it has a soft sheen, specifically chosen to reflect light and to create a smart finish in this roomy entryway. This trick, though, will work really well in smaller hallways or those starved of natural daylight, enhancing light levels and make the space feel larger.

'Don't forget about the entry walls. Sometimes even after furniture and art, an entryway can feel incomplete, so your entry may be calling for wallpaper or architectural paneling,' says [Etch Design Group](#) Principal Interior Designer, Stephanie Lindsey. 'We provided 2D elevation drawings for the paneling design. A classic traditional element, the wall paneling created sophistication at the entrance to the house but we painted it gray to modernize it.'