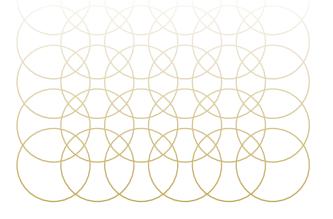
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The golden rays of summer sunlight streaming through our windows to brighten our interiors are slowly fading away. It's the time of year to capture every bit of light, so our interiors continue to glow until our sunny summer appears once again.





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My Jackie Glass Inc. design team creates spaces that look sunny, bright and airy all year-round. Generating light in a space is key to how comfortable and happy a room can make our family and guests. Think about how a dark sky at night can be cold and ominous but when the stars are twinkling bright, the dark universe comes alive and makes us

feel happy and amazed. We want to linger and enjoy every little twinkle, no matter the size.

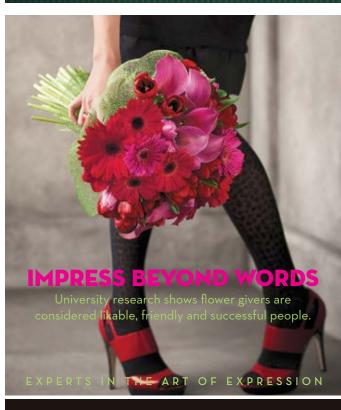
The smallest hint of sparkle can instantly bring a room to life. Every room in the house, whether light or dark, can benefit from a little shine. From the bathroom to the kitchen, when you add reflective elements to a space, it is suddenly transformed and becomes an attractive room you want to live in.

Both artificial and natural light from light fixtures and windows brighten every room. Reflective metals, glass and mirror accents will enhance these light sources and bounce reflected light around the room, adding life and personality.

For me, I love to maximize and capture light in a room with reflective gilded decorative elements that feature either decadent polished or demure matte finishes. Whether you fancy gold leaf or polished brass for a touch of glam or prefer champagne gold, rose gold or aged brass for a more classic look, they'll all elevate your décor with the Midas touch.

Pairing golden tones with dark wood and dark neutral colours like royal blue or the rich purple velvet chairs (as shown here in my client's living room) makes a regal statement in an otherwise traditional room. Set against walls and draperies in whispery golden tones, gilded accents like the lamps, cocktail tables and mirrors truly make the room sparkle and draw the eye toward the light and around the room. Continued on page 44













♠ In the lovely dining room, adjacent to the living room, an elegant chandelier with matching wall sconces adds light to the space in more ways than one. The room sparkles even when the lights are turned off with the lighting's soft champagne-gold finish. Notice how the art captures the golden tones of the light fixtures while capturing the colour palette of the living/dining room to complete the space.



 ∀ Use golden accents in small doses so they don't compete but rather complete the space. Even the smallest touches of shine, whether matte or polished in golden, brassy or rosy tones, will add a golden glint you can't ignore.



If you want to make a truly stunning statement in a room, introduce large objects like a glasstop table with a gold base or a large work of art or sculpture in an entrance hall or living room. Chandeliers, floor lamps, walls and draperies in warm golden hues will set off any neutral palette and satisfy our need for brilliant beams of sunlight to warm our souls, brighten our days and lift our spirits until the return of summer's sunbeams. OH

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