

Beach House Interiors don't always have to be "beachy home decor!"

We've come a long way Baby, from the late 1800s upscale cottages and beach interiors of Newport Beach for the super rich, to the simple beach cottages of the 60s and 70s with their peach and aqua beach theme home decor. Today, almost anything goes and that applies to beach houses as well.

Homes at the beach come in many varieties, primary residence, second home or weekend retreats. It can be an oceanfront condominium, a raised beach house, or a beach cottage. You can opt for decorating your beach home in either elegant traditional design, beach cottage decor or mix and match hand-me-downs. No matter which style you choose, if you buy what you love, it will always fit in.

If yours is just a weekend retreat you can be a little more casual about the decor, simple and easy to care for are good points, but still if this is your sanctuary and relaxation is the prime purpose, then you will still want it to measure up in comfort. Our feeling is that we want our surroundings to be at least as appealing as the home we have left behind!

Sophisticated Oceanfront condos lend themselves to modern interiors, with touches of the beach reflected in sparkling mirrors that reflect the view and the colors of sea, sky and sand. Of course, these colors translate into so many wonderful hues; you could do a monochromatic color scheme up and down the color wheel, or choose colors side-by-side on that same color wheel. You might choose comfort colors such as biscuit or wheat, or go for the bold and of course many opt for all back to nature colors.

Elegant raised beachfront homes dot East Coast beaches and you'll find interiors that feature styles from true traditional to upscale cottage and beach interiors and accessories. These homes look almost exactly like their inland counterparts with perhaps some exception to flooring and floor covering.

Beachy home decor can be exciting too; it really is hard to beat white painted furniture with a striking navy blue stripe fabric to spice it up. Accessories, such as lighthouses, driftwood lamps and seashells have all been revamped to add stunning accents to the un-typical beach cottage of today.

Nautical style decorating is always a popular motif for the beach, and it doesn't have to be red, white and blue and you don't always have to use white painted furniture. Choosing slipcovered sofas and chairs in the afore-mentioned biscuit or wheat color linen, with touches of royal blue, weathered wood chests and tables, some nautical antiques and some great sailing ship models and you'll have accomplished the nautical look. Just don't go overboard.

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