

Style guide for a Classic Interior

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About Orac Decor®

I – Reinventing tradition

Disappearing tradition

We've gathered more than 1000 years of tradition in interior decoration. Today, due to high maintenance costs, the disappearance of craftsmanship and Modernism, we find this rich history is slipping away.



From the 1920s, ornamentation became particularly unpopular with the new generation of modernist architects. A building had to reveal its pure architectural structure: new buildings were built without ornaments while the decoration of existing buildings had to go.

Classic interiors today

Classic decorating styles still offer great opportunities to add unique **personality** to interiors of today.

Whether used in a new or more traditional way, classical ornamentation will bring **cosiness** to your home or project.

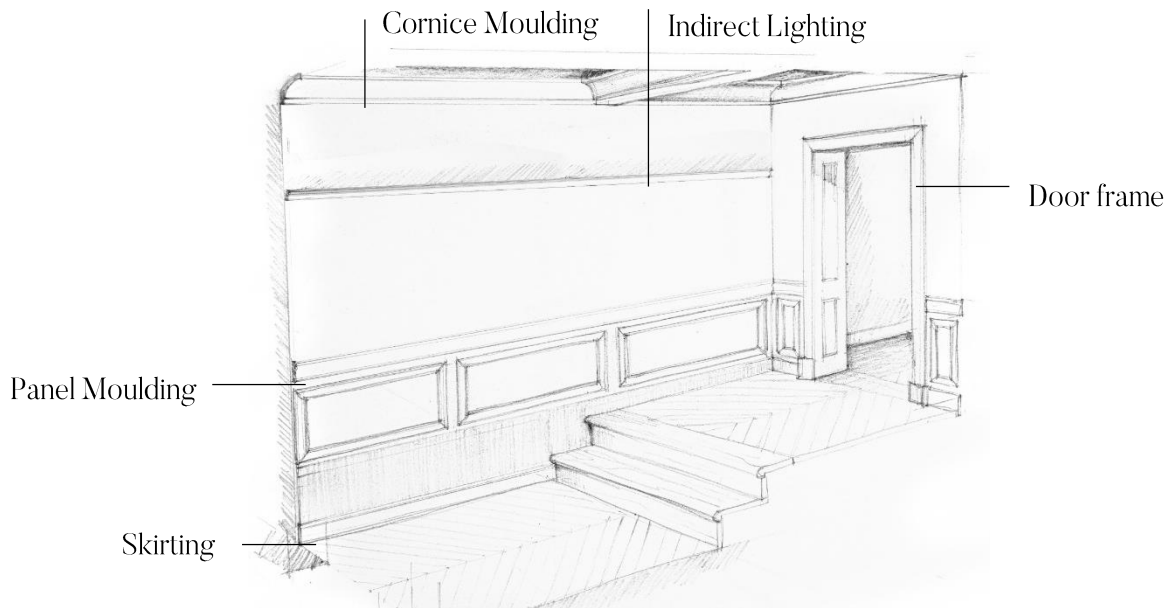
Furthermore, classic decoration still embodies the luxury and status it represented in the past. Only now, thanks to **new technologies**, it is far more accessible for everybody.



II – The ABC of classic design

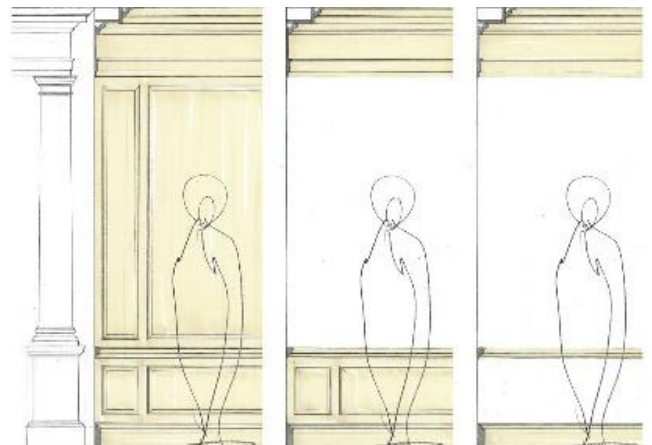
Architectural elements

Architectural elements such as cornice mouldings, wall panelling and frames, are the perfect tools to add different dimensions to your interior.



Architectural elements work well with the classical proportions and **introduce proper sizing** and dimension to a room. The mouldings in a room should appeal to our bodies.

When done right, you should be able to walk into a classical decorated room and **“feel good”** there.



II – The ABC of classic design

Selection of profiles

Start with the cornices. After selecting this ceiling decoration, we recommend you to continue with the skirting boards and eventually choose the wall panels. You can already start thinking about colours, but this comes second to the selection of your profiles.

1 CEILING > Cornices



Cornice mouldings



- ✓ Create an elegant transition between wall and ceiling
- ✓ From sleek to baroque, from decorative to functional

2 FLOOR > Skirting



Skirting boards



- ✓ Give your wall the design finish it deserves
- ✓ Hide cables
- ✓ Ideal for renovations
- ✓ Impact & water resistant

3 WALL > Mouldings & Panels



Wall mouldings & panels



- ✓ Flat walls come to life
- ✓ Add symmetry and order to your room
- ✓ Create frames on walls and ceilings

III – Get started

Wallscaping

Wall panelling brings symmetry and order to your room, while at the same time adding character. Just as no two homes – or homeowners – are alike, there are no hard and fast rules for wallscaping. But to start you off, we present some guidelines:

1. It's all about **symmetry**. Include this in your design for a calm and balanced room.
2. Start with **existing lines** in your interior, such as doors, a fireplace or existing mouldings.
3. Calculate the **ideal height** of your panelling according to your wall. Panelling is classically placed up to a third of the total wall height, but feel free to go higher or lower if this pleases you more!

Raised skirting board

Looking for an **elegant and luxurious effect** that remains affordable? A **visibly higher skirting board** is what you're looking for!

Place a wall moulding at a fifth of the total wall height (<55 cm). Then paint skirting board, wall moulding and the wall in between in the same colour.

Up for more? Opt for a **matching door frame**.



1. SX191 | 2. PX175 | 3. DX174-2300 | 4. DX170-2300 | 5. P4025 | 6. P8030 | 7. C327



1. SX138 | 2. W123 | 3. W120 | 4. P4025 | 5. C323 | 6. C340

Stately panelling

When starting with traditional panelling, you first want to decide on the height. Place a chair in front of your wall: usually the back of the chair corresponds to **a third of the total wall height** (80-90 cm). Place your wall moulding here. Also: a little too low is better than too high.

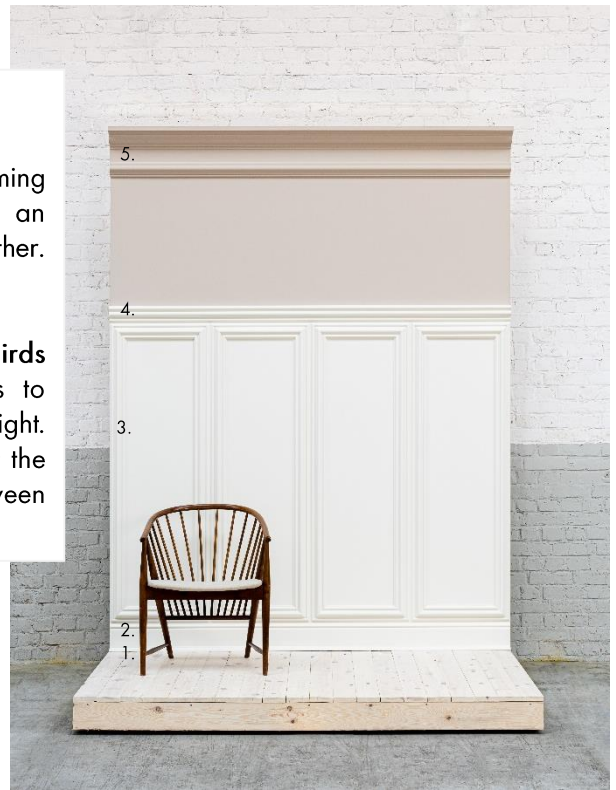
Combine with wallpaper and possibly a composite cornice moulding for an even more ornate effect.

III – Get started

Prestigious high wall moulding

High wall mouldings and panelling are perfect for transforming a boring wall. A repeating pattern immediately makes an unassuming wall look more interesting and put-together. Integrate smart LED lighting for an instant wow effect.

Where to begin? Start by placing a wall moulding at **two thirds of the wall height**. In most houses, this corresponds to approximately 160 to 180cm in height. To determine the height of your skirting, keep in mind that the skirting board is traditionally higher than the distance between the other panels used on the wall.



1. CX132 | 2. SX118 | 3. W120 | 4. P4025 | 5. C332



1. SX191 | 2. W121 | 3. W120 | 4. C324 | 5. C343

Grandiose walls

Up for something even more impressive? Why not cover the entire wall with panelling? **High wall mouldings** are usually positioned 30 to 50 centimetres below the ceiling. The higher the room, the greater this distance gets.

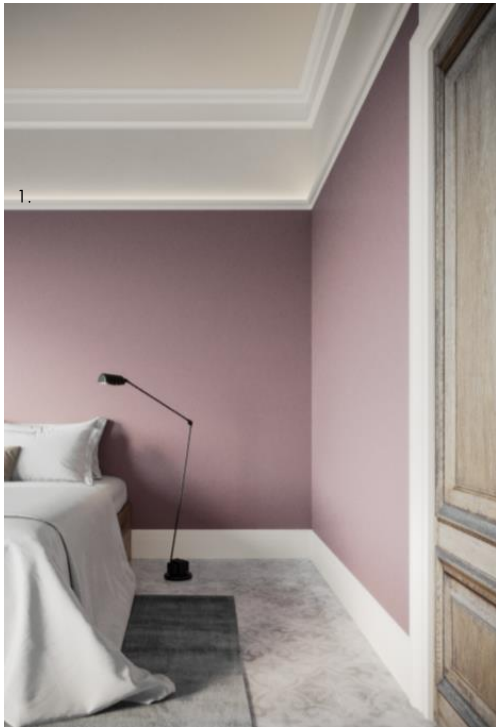
Don't be put off by **large cornice mouldings**, once installed the cornice mouldings will look a lot smaller. At the same time, the room will seem more spacious.

III – Get started

Smart use of LED lighting

How about we tell you integrating LED lighting with classic wainscoting is now very much possible! Smart design and innovative technology of our profiles allow us to use elegant picture rails as **indirect lighting profiles**. Combine your cornice with an uplighter underneath, to put the transition between wall and ceiling in the spotlight!

Visually enlarge a room



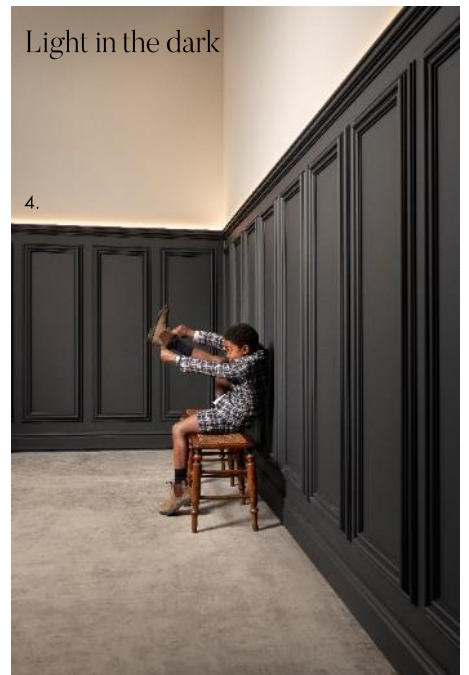
1. C323

Atmosphere & cosiness



2. C324

Light in the dark



4. C324



3. C324

Extra punch & eye-catcher

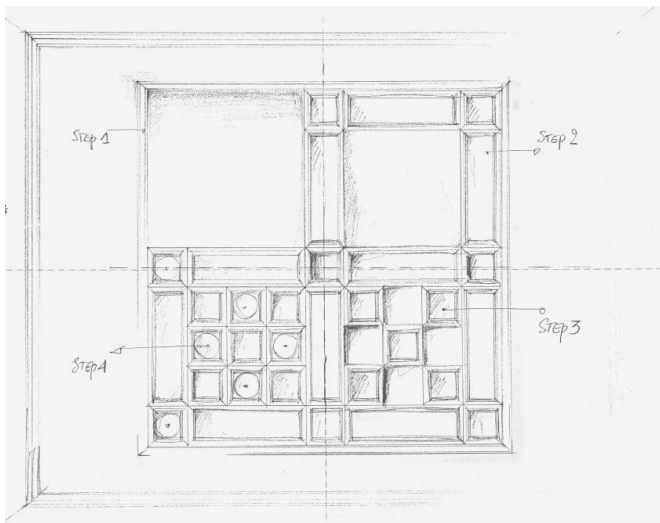
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Ceilings with cachet

The ceiling deserves as much attention as any other wall in your room. Well-thought-out decorations can make small spaces visually larger and large spaces more intimate. Use the same profiles as you would for the wall, it's as easy as that!



1. SX138 | 2. DX170-2300 | 3. W120 | 4. P4025 | 5. C323 | 6. C327 | 7. W123 | 8. W121



4 steps to design a decorated ceiling

1. Create a simple frame
2. Add frames on the sides
3. Design your own pattern on the inside
4. Personalize with insert options

About Orac Decor®

ORAC is a Belgian family company and global leader in the design and production of **high-quality 3D decorations**. It offers a wide range of skirting boards, cornice mouldings, wall panels and decorative elements such as profiles for indirect lighting. These products are distributed in over 80 countries around the globe.

Since the company was **founded 50 years ago**, it has continuously updated its technology, materials and design. This is reflected in the number of innovations, premium product quality and impeccable service.

So step out of cold, impersonal spaces and **free your personality** the way it suits you best. We want to stimulate creativity and inspire users to create exceptional spaces that highlight their personalities. From functional skirting boards to impressive cornices, ORAC stands for complete creative freedom based on your own style and personality.

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