

- Install dimmer switches on as many lamps and light fixtures as you can. You'll have control over the intensity of light around your home and save energy at the same time.
- For dark corners, use floor can up-lights. They can be purchased in a variety of styles and only need to be plugged in, with the light directed at the dark area. These are small and work great in a potted floor plant or on the top of a chest or armoire.
- Install under-cabinet lights in the kitchen and desk area. The light will shine directly on the work area and make any task easier.
- Add a decorative lamp to a bookshelf. It will not only break up the long line of books, but make it easier to find what you're looking for.
- Place a small decorative lamp on the kitchen or bathroom, tucked into a corner. (Be sure to keep it away from any water!) It can serve as a night light but also be decorative.
- Be sure that every room in your home has a light connected to a dimming wall switch at the entrance. You'll be able to turn it on when you walk into the room and make adjustments to the desired radiance.
- If your table space is limited, install a reading light on the wall near the bed or lounge chair.
- Remove boring ceiling fixtures and install can lights around the room. While you might need to bring in professional help for this one, it will be well worth it! You can direct the light to artwork, reading nooks, or work spaces.
- Light your artwork with small fixtures attached on the top. There are many styles designed just for lighting art.
- Install a dimming wall switch to control the light and fan on a ceiling fan. For even more convenience, purchase and program a remote control to turn the light or fan on and off.
- Install a motion sensor on outdoor light fixtures to control the light when people walk too close to the house. Or, at a dark hallway or staircase, or in the garage or attic so that you never have to enter the space in the dark.
- Install exterior landscape lights to light pathways, driveways and uplight trees for interesting effects.