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6 Benefits of Incorporating Glass Into Your Home

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How do you bring elegance into your home design? With this issue, we hope to shed some light on how you can use glass to enhance the look and feel of your home.



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### 1. To allow more natural light into the home (lower electricity bills, anyone?)

Glass lets in sunlight and offers an unobstructed view of the scenery outside.

It is a known fact that exposure to sunlight reduces stress, and a study on the benefits of glass conducted by The University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning<sup>1</sup> revealed that 93% of home dwellers find natural lighting into the interiors a highly desirable quality to have in their homes.

One way to allow more natural light into your home is to use glass dividers instead of plaster walls to divide a room. For example, you can create a mini room for entertaining your guests, by partitioning a section of your living room with glass dividers.

This ensures your living room remains open and spacious. Sunlight can also then flow easily into the entertainment room, reducing your electricity bills.

1: The Benefits of Glass:

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### 2. To add a perception of a bigger space



the bathrooms even more so), we have to start getting creative about our space. Instead of using a plastic shower screen, opt to make your bathroom more elegant with a shower screen made of glass. This creates a perception of space in cramped bathrooms. SSG recommends your glass shower screen to not only be tempered and laminated, but it must be laminated with the strongest interlayer in case accidents happen. Check out [DuraSafe-SGP](#) for glass with an interlayer that is over 100 times stiffer and five times stronger than the typical interlayer.

### 3. Improve the window performance of your home

Want to reduce the glare of the sun into your home in the day without using blinds or curtains?

Conventional glass windows are made up of a single piece of glass (monolithic), which is cost-effective but does little to reduce the glare. Replace the conventional monolithic glass windows with low emissivity glass for improved comfort and energy savings. Alternatively, if you would like to wow your friends when they come over, simply install our [VariShield](#) glass. It tints by itself according to the sun's heat; so when the sun is shining down harshly, your windows will intuitively turn darker to block out the glare. And the best part is... no additional equipment or electricity is needed!



### 4. To add a modern touch to the home

Using glass is one of the biggest trends in interior home designs and modern architecture today. It is a symbol of the modern world, with newer buildings consistently featuring glass on their façades. With that being said, how can we incorporate glass into the interiors of our homes?

Try these two rooms: the kitchen and the bedroom. If you cook at home, having a backsplash (to protect



Beautifully-designed backsplashes also adds life to your kitchen space. Worried about the paint coming off the glass due to the cooking heat it is exposed to? Ceramic frit paint on the glass will not fade or melt away, as it has already been permanently fused to the glass surface, providing exceptional colour stability to the backsplash.



Use glass as a back wall to your bed. Get innovative with the back wall by printing a picture on it (it could be a family portrait or any other images, the possibilities are endless)! You can easily customize a design of your backsplash or back wall with our [DuraScreen-DigitalPrint](#).

## 5. Easier maintenance and cleaning

Did you know that glass is easier to upkeep compared to most materials? Simply use a lint-free microfibre cloth with a glass cleaner to achieve sparkly shine on your glass and mirrors.

## 6. Soundproofing

Whether it's a mini entertainment room you want to create, or a glass wall, glass can act as a good sound barrier. So install that glass and say hello to late-night mahjong sessions without worrying about disturbing your family members or neighbours! Tip: Laminated glass aids in soundproofing the room. Check out our laminated glass, [DuraSafe](#), for more information. For even better soundproofing, insulated glass units ([DuraComfort](#)) will do the trick.



We hope this newsletter has given you some insights on how you can utilize glass within your home. Till next time!

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