

## Analyze Your Dining Room Worksheet

The dining room is the natural area for family gatherings, special occasions, and traditional celebrations. It is also an area that can be pressed into service for many other uses. Are you using your space to its full advantage?

Fill in the worksheet below to get you thinking of ways to decorate, enhance, and make the most of this versatile room.

<b>Questions:</b>	<b>Answers:</b>
How many people usually eat at the dining room table?	
How often do you use your dining room? Daily, Weekly, Monthly? Special Occasions?	
Is your table too large for everyday use?	
Is it large enough for special occasions and traditional celebrations?	
Is there enough room for people to comfortably walk around without people having to pull in their chairs?	
Are the chair heights comfortable for all members of the family?	
Is it easily accessible from the kitchen and serving area?	
Is the distance too far to easily set and clear the table or serve food?	
Do you have enough storage areas?	
Do you have enough serving areas?	
Is the lighting adequate?	
Do you use the dining room often or are there other places you prefer to eat?	

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<p>If you prefer to eat other places, is it because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's more convenient</li> <li>• It's more comfortable</li> <li>• It's less formal</li> <li>• The view is better</li> <li>• You just naturally gather there</li> </ul>	
<p>Is your dining room multi-functional and used for other purposes and activities?</p>	
<p>What do you like about the room?</p>	
<p>What do you dislike about the room?</p>	
<p>What changes would you make to achieve your ideal dining room?</p>	

Once you have answered these questions, you should have a good idea about what you like and want to keep and the changes you would make to make your room more functional, usable, and comfortable.

Return now to *Decorating Your Dining Room* for some practical ideas and suggestions you can use to achieve the dining room of your dreams.