3 Tips to Choose the Perfect Shingle Color for Your Roof

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If you're replacing your roof shingles, choosing the right color to match or contrast with your home's siding and shutter can result in a beautiful exterior decor and promote greater energy efficiency. The main purpose of asphalt shingles is to provide a watertight, wind-resistant seal that protects your roof from rain, wind, snow, and ice damage. But, a secondary purpose of home beautification can add to the style and personality of your proper for many years to come.

The color of the roof shingles you select can be enjoyed while relaxing in the backyard or entertaining guests, and roof shingles are even more noticeable from a distance. That includes anyone that approaches your front door or driving past your home. The color of the roof material you select will add curb appeal and can increase the value of your home.

We have designed a roof shingle visualizer tool that will help you take a look at what your roof will look like when the project is done.

Shingle Visualizer Tool

3 Shingle Color Selection Tips

Complement or Contrast the Color of Your Home

The first step is to decide if you want a color contrast or a color blend. ***Contrasting shingle color is visually exciting, but it doesn't have to be over-stated.*** A white home with black shingles is one example of a contrasting color scheme. Since you don't want your home's exterior to have a riot of color, use color contrasting sparingly - for example, if your home's trim is brightly colored then you may want to use a shingle color that blends with the home's siding to reduce the color variety.

Color Blending - with neutral color home siding opt for brown or tan shingles to coordinate with the exterior of the home.

Color Contrasting - brick or bright color homes might choose between black, brown, or gray shingles

The color of your home's shingles can add personality to a home. For example, gray or black shingles can add a stately or royal appeal for light-colored white, gray, or yellow homes.

Consider the Architectural Style of your Home

You may want to stay true to your home's architectural style by choosing a traditional roof shingle color. Research the internet for the style of your home - Dutch Colonial, Ranch, Modern, etc. to get an idea of how architectural shingles can add unparalleled beauty to your home. Here are a few home styles and the shingle colors that traditionally accentuate these homes:

Earth Tones Shingles like grays, greens and browns are great for a Tuscan or Mediterranean style touch or any lower-pitched roofs

Shingle Shades in grays and browns for steeper-pitched rooflines such as Victorian or French Country architecture

Grays, Blacks and Brown shingle shades for Ranch homes and other simple exteriors with a long, low roofline

Pick a Shingle Color for Energy Efficiency

You can choose a shingle color that fits the climate of your home's geographical location. If you want to keep your home cooler during the warm months, then choose a lighter color shingle that will reflect the sun's UV rays back into the atmosphere. Darker colors tend to absorb heat instead of reflecting it, so if you want increased warming effects then choose a dark color shingle.

Don't expect huge energy savings due to your shingle color selection. That will depend mostly on the quality of your home's insulation. But, as a part of an overall energy-efficient home, many people will choose roofing materials that contribute to a better energy footprint.

Contact Vertex Roofing Contractors for Your Roof Shingle Installation in Utah

For your next asphalt shingles installation project, talk with our experts at Vertex Roofing Contractors when you want to choose the perfect shingle color to match, contrast, or accentuate your home's color and architectural style.