



HOW TO CHOOSE THE BEST DINING TABLE

It goes without saying that the best dining table is one that works for your budget and style, and one that will last for generations. Here are a few more tips to consider...

- Don't get caught up in design trends; keep it simple and sturdy with solid construction. Look for well-made over flashy, with a finish that will withstand heavy use and show little wear.
- If your budget permits, choose solid wood over veneer every time. It's a "pay now or pay later" concept.
- Make sure your dining table fits your dining room; be mindful of the footprint. To sit comfortably, keep 3 feet of space on each side – and more is even better!
- Allow 22" – 24" inches of table space for each chair.
- Permission to break up the dining set – granted! Find your ideal table first, and then source chairs that are comfortable, complementary, and ... wait for it ... even a different style, material, or period than your table!
- Consider the shape. Not all shapes are equally pleasing in every room. We are big fans of oval or round tables - perhaps with removable extensions - that can give you a little more space when you need it. Round tables can also relieve the eye in a room full of rectangular shapes, and are ideal for parties and conversations. Feel free to eliminate the "head of the table" tradition - all diners are important!