

Top Ways to Cozy Up Your Home

Add a Throw Blanket: Nubby knits are an ideal companion for chilly nights at home with a movie. Plus, they temporarily add seasonal pattern and colour to your home.

Pile Up Pillows: Paired with a warm blanket, pillows become snuggle buddies during on-the-sofa homework help or bill paying. Look for pillows with a lot of texture. Then pile them on the sofa and think about investing in or making larger ones for the floor.



Gather Around the Hearth: A crackling fire naturally draws people to it, so accommodate that with extra seating around your hearth. For the fall and winter months, rearrange your furniture to shift your conversation area to the fireplace.

Line Tables with Fabric: Bare tables, while perfect for breezy summers, are too stark for fall. Cover them up with seasonally appropriate runners.

Get Cozy: Tablecloths are expected, but a runner is an even easier way to dress up a table. Get creative and use a long scarf, a fabric remnant, or a thin blanket as a runner.

Try an Area Rug: Nothing heralds the pending arrival of winter quite like a cold floor on bare feet. Fend off icy toes by placing area rugs in well-traveled spots in the home. Or layer area rugs for even more coziness.

Hang Heavier Drapes: Heavy drapes keep out drafts and lend an opulence to the room, especially if you let them pool an inch or so on the ground. Switch out summer sheers for pattern drapes with a heavier hand.

Layer Bedding: Introduce extras to your bed for the fall and winter months. Layer in additional pillow pairs and place a decorative throw in a seasonal color or pattern across the foot of the bed.

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When: October 28, 2016 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Where: Claremont Field Centre, 4290 Westney Road North, Claremont

Oshawa Generals VS Guelph Storm

When: October 23, 2016 from 6:00pm to 8:30pm

Where: General Motors Centre

Halloween Fun at the Market

When: October 30, 2016 9am-4:30pm

Where: Courtice Flea Market



➤ Market Stats

Housing Market Still Hot with 26 Per Cent Increase in Average Selling Price

- October 7, 2016 @ 11:22 AM Durham Region Association of REALTORS® (DRAR) President Sandra O'Donohue reported 1,090 residential transactions in September 2016, a 10% increase from the same time last year. "The balance between supply and demand for homes is very tight," stated O'Donohue. There were 1,556 new listings in September 2016 compared to 1,488 in September 2015.

Summary of Existing Home Transactions in Durham Region				
	New Listings	Active Listings	Avg. Sold Price	Avg. Days on Market
Durham Region	1,556	842	105%	12
Ajax	249	114	106%	9
Brock	24	44	98%	45
Clarington	271	140	103%	12
Oshawa	449	204	106%	10
Pickering	198	112	104%	12
Scugog	48	48	99%	23
Uxbridge	52	57	102%	18
Whitby	265	123	106%	9

- "Durham Region has seen substantial growth in prices and sales demonstrating strong demand," added O'Donohue. The average selling price in Durham reached \$555,054 last month. In comparison, the average selling price was \$438,462 during the same period last year; a 26% increase.

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