

Get a Home Into Shape

It may be hard to believe, but windows do come in a variety of shapes. There seems to be a conspiracy to make every window a rectangle. Horizontal and vertical rectangles are common from coast to coast. From single- and double-hung markets to slider markets, the building preference is a rectangle. Many house designs include a half-round window over a family room twin or triple window, but that's about it.

Consider the alternatives. That four foot by four foot picture window over the bathtub may easily be replaced by a nice full circle window. A colonial arch in a dormer would complement the architecture nicely. From trapezoid and ovals to elliptical and eyebrow configurations, special shapes are a great way to add differentiation to a floor plan.

If you consider depth as a part of the window's shape, projection units like bay, bow and garden windows add as much to a home's interior as they do to the home's curb appeal. The homebuyer of today wants as much differentiation as possible. Adding a nice geometric is a great way to do just that and shape up a house a whole new way!