



# Two Types of Hanging Fixtures That Brighten Up Rooms and Attract Attention

Lighting of the right kind can do more than illuminate spaces that need it. [contemporary floor lamps](#) that are appropriately chosen can also become central elements of almost any type of design. Some types of lamps and fixtures, naturally enough, are generally more suited to this level of prominence than others.

For instance, chandeliers have traditionally been used where fixtures with an impressive, eye-catching presence were wanted to liven up a room. The same general idea can just as well be applied today in a variety of contexts.

## Making the Most of an Especially Notable Type of Fixture

With hundreds of designer chandeliers now on the market, there will never be a reason to feel that this type of fixture cannot be utilized where conditions might merit it. In just about every case, what will matter the most is selecting a fixture whose character and quirks mesh well with the design of the surrounding space. Some of the types of details and features that most often make a difference include:

Pendants. There was time when crystal pendants used to be found on almost every fixture of this general kind. While modern chandeliers often deviate from this former norm significantly, designers still incorporate such elements regularly. Fixtures hung with hundreds of small pendants formed from crystal will always have a classic, stately presence that is difficult to achieve in any other way. [light fixtures](#) hanging lighting fixtures today, however, use different types of materials to achieve more varied effects. That can mean anything from incorporating dozens of elegant pendants made from porcelain to studding a portion of the fixture with a few small ones constructed from brushed steel or another type of metal.

[ceiling lights](#) . Long before there were incandescent lights powered by electricity, groups of candles were frequently hung from ceilings in fixtures designed for the purpose. That look remains a compelling and familiar one, even if open flames, wax, and wicks are no longer anywhere near as common. Many popular and highly regarded hanging fixtures include

elements designed to look like candles while providing light of a very different kind. Whether that means incorporating halogen-filled bulbs or highly efficient light-emitting diodes, this is another recognizably classic take on the hanging fixture.

### A Fixture with Space-Filling Presence and More

In some cases, it will make the most sense to choose fixtures that are not meant to attract much attention, if any at all. On the other hand, there are also effective ways of achieving the opposite, where appropriate.