



Comfortable LIVING



How To Get The Right Temperature Throughout Your House

Homes can have problems with even heating or cooling throughout the house. Some areas might be hotter than others while some rooms might have a perpetual chill.

Here are some ways to get better control over the temperature throughout your house.

General considerations

Windows: Some rooms are warmer than others because of sunlight coming in. In the northern hemisphere, southern-facing rooms get hotter because of this sunlight. Installing the right drapes or blinds prevents the space from over heating. On the other hand, you can turn down your heat on a sunny winter's day

while you let the sun do the work.

Leaky construction: If outside air enters your home through cracks in the wall or spaces around windows, this prevents your comfort system from doing its job, particularly with extreme outdoor temperatures. Have a professional fill in gaps where possible and consider renovating your building exterior to tighten up the construction to keep your rooms warm in winter and cool in summer.

Air System Control

Residential air systems generally have ductwork that's sized to provide a certain amount of airflow to each space.

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Winter Word Find

T B S H W R H U J E Y G
 T A O N E O P N D K Z G
 Z M T T E G N E L A O U
 E K N S R T L S V L C F
 F I S A O S T H I F G B
 W R D Z M M L I E W H X
 J E O P F Q R C M O O H
 I C E S Y U A E I N L Y
 D L O C T L R M H S I R
 P M E O P Y W N O T D A
 D E C E M B E R A S A U
 V M R R M D O V H C Y N
 D I T E K N A L B A E A
 F J Y M L B J E T R H J
 C H I L L Y M M S F Z F

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Your system may have balancing dampers at the main branches. If not, this is something you can discuss with a professional. You can also control air with dampers in the grilles. That lets you reduce or close off the airflow to a space. More elaborate systems have dampers connected to thermostats. These open and close the dampers to allow airflow as needed for the space. In cases like this, the fan speed varies to provide only what is needed.

Hydronic System Control

As with air systems, sizing the distribution of hot water throughout the system is the first method of sending the right amount of heat to each radiator (or "rad"). Hot water flow into the rads is controlled by a control valve, which may be connected to an individual thermostat in the space or to a central thermostat. If you have problem areas that need more control, a contractor can add a thermostat and control valve only for the rads in that space.

Other methods of zone control

Depending on your system and home's construction, you may have to resort to adding heat in certain rooms with a space heater. Or you may have to use a fan in winter to cool down an overheated space. When doing this, be aware of the risk of sending your utility bill up as your central system works harder to overcome the additional load.

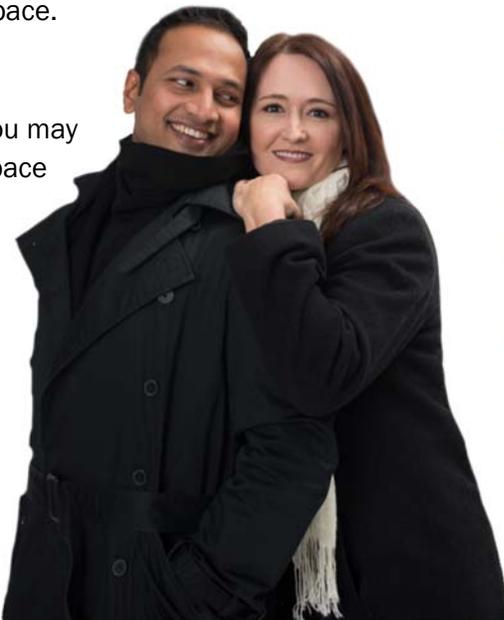
Better comfort

If you want more control throughout your home, give **Robinson Air** a call and we can assess your system so your home is more comfortable this winter.

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| BLANKET | FURNACE | SLED |
| CHILLY | HOLIDAY | SNOW |
| COLD | HOME | SNOWFLAKE |
| COZY | ICE | THERMOSTAT |
| DECEMBER | JANUARY | UPGRADE |
| FIREPLACE | MITTENS | WINTER |
| FROSTY | SCARF | |

Answer Key

J Z E S W A T T I H C
 T H R L R E F T M A G E
 V E V B I B L E K N A I D
 N A C H A O C R R W A V
 U V S V S M R S D E C E R
 V C U O N M A P F E O P
 R I S H M R T L O C T L R
 W T N I E V A V A S E I C
 H O O C M O R P O R C M
 X H M I T M W Z M M S
 E G I H I S O S L I S F E
 F T A I S T L R S N S R
 U O T N E G E L I Z M L
 G Z C N P O E N O V L
 E I B H M R U L E S H S



Tips for Holiday Home Improvement

There's nothing like a good deal to help your home improvement efforts! As the holiday deals roll in, here are some ways you can take advantage to upgrade your home:

Furniture

Replacing old, worn out furniture is an easy way to spruce up a space. Define your living room with a new sectional sofa or add character to your dining room with a new dining set.

Bedrooms will brighten up with new bedding, a classic armoire, or a chest of drawers. If you have a home office, you can spruce it up with an oak desk, a bookcase for your library, or the right equipment to make your work go more smoothly.



Fixtures

You don't have to redo your entire bathroom to get the benefit from upgraded faucets and other fixtures. You can change your sinks, switch from a tub to standing shower or vice versa.

Lighting fixtures and lighting have the power to change the entire atmosphere of a space. It can be as simple as a new lamp or as complex as adding accent lighting to a wall you want to highlight. Changing the lighting in an open concept area can also help you define each section within that space.

Raw Materials

You might have more practical projects in mind, like

Decor

A low cost way to spice up your home is to add the perfect decor. This might not seem like much, but the right artwork can add character to your home. Go for original pieces to make a statement, or purchase a print of your favourite Renoir.

If you have an artistic hand, holiday deals give you the opportunity to gather all the tools and materials you'll need for that major masterpiece you've been dreaming of creating.

Alternatively, you can keep it as simple as purchasing a new vase for your weekly bouquet or changing window treatments to set the mood in a space. When it comes to decor, the only limit is your imagination!

Customer: "I'm buying my parents a new AC. They want the loudest one you have."

Salesman: "Why?"

Customer: "They're deaf, and they hate the neighbors".

changing the flooring in your kitchen or living room. Your semi-unfinished basement might be crying out for completion. Use this opportunity to get the materials you need for the job. Lumber, piping, flooring, paint, cabinetry and tools are all within your grasp for this year's home improvement projects. You can save money on important materials, or you can spend the same but upgrade to better quality items that will last as long as your home.

If you need help implementing your home projects, give us a call and we'll make sure your home improvement goes smoothly and lasts for many years to come.



Beef, Bacon, & Blue Cheese Pizza

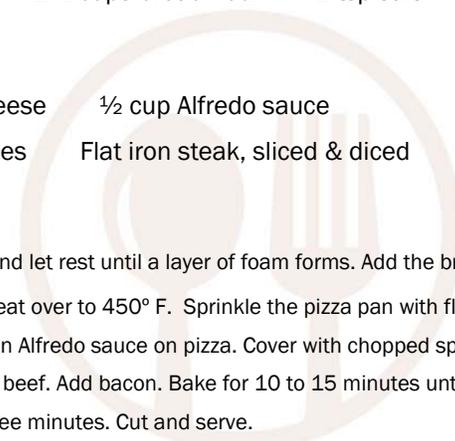
Crust:

1½ tsp yeast 1 tsp sugar 1 cup water 2½ cups bread flour 1 tsp salt

Pizza:

3 cups mozzarella 2 TBS crumbled blue cheese ½ cup Alfredo sauce
1 TBSP minced garlic 2 TBSP bacon crumbles Flat iron steak, sliced & diced
1 cup chopped spinach

Directions: Mix the yeast, sugar, and water, cover and let rest until a layer of foam forms. Add the bread flour and salt. Mix. Cover for 30 minutes until it rises. Heat over to 450° F. Sprinkle the pizza pan with flour. Roll the dough. Cook for five minutes. Spread garlic, then Alfredo sauce on pizza. Cover with chopped spinach. Sprinkle blue cheese evenly. Add mozzarella. Add diced beef. Add bacon. Bake for 10 to 15 minutes until the crust starts to turn brown. Remove, let rest of two to three minutes. Cut and serve.



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