



USE WINDOW SHADES

Invest in solar shades designed to block UV rays and still let in light.

APPLY WINDOW FILMS

These translucent vinyl or polyester strips will cling to window glass, and chances are you won't even notice them. Plus, they can block 99 percent of UV rays!

REPLACE YOUR WINDOW SCREENS

Replace your existing screens with ones that block or filter harmful UV rays.

INSTALL TINTED WINDOWS

A more expensive option is to replace your window glass with low emissivity (low-e) glass. This type of glass protects against UV rays and also helps insulate your home.

REARRANGE YOUR FURNITURE & COVER YOUR FLOORS

A little redecorating can help to protect your furniture and floors. Try a slipcover, which can be more easily replaced than a couch when it fades. Similarly, you can cover sunny spots on the floor with area rugs and replace them as needed.

CHOOSE THE RIGHT FABRICS AND COLORS

Lighter colors show the effects of fading less than darker ones, especially on those outdoor furniture cushions. Look for synthetic blends. Nylon and polyester will fade more slowly than cotton.

SPRAY YOUR FURNITURE AND TREAT YOUR FLOORS

Hardwood is very sensitive to sunlight but may be treated with stains and finishes that have UV protection. For furniture, consider UV protection sprays.

PROTECT YOUR ARTWORK

Canvases may be treated with UV protection sprays. For framed art, replace the glass with UV blocking acrylic or the pricier museum grade glass.

PROTECT YOUR SIDING

You can buy products that put a coating on your siding to help protect it. If you're ready to redo your siding, choose one that reflects UV rays away from your home.

REPAINT WITH UV-RESISTANT PRODUCTS

Repaint using a product that helps resist UV exposure.

TREAT YOUR ROOF

There are special coatings that you can apply. The coating will create a waterproof barrier to reflect light, draw heat away and keep the surface cooler.