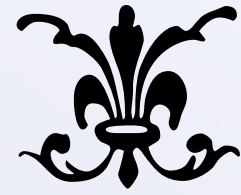


# Victorian

## Stick Style



Victorian style homes are usually adorned with ornate features such as detailed trim, conical roofs, towers, angled windows and frames, and bright colors. The Stick-Style version of Victorian architecture includes many of these elements but eliminates many of the overly-ornate features of the traditionally Victorian home. Stick Style homes, sometimes referred to as Eastlake style, were built mainly from 1860-1890. Stick Style is named for the long, narrow wooden pieces used for decoration, rafters, and as support elements. One example of famous Stick Style architecture is the home of President Warren G. Harding in Marion, Ohio.



### Common Elements of Stick Style homes

- Wood surfaces with decorative half-timbers
- Gables roofs
- Gable trusses
- Timber supports (hence “stick style”)
- Other decorative elements



The Mark Twain house in Hartford, Connecticut, built in 1874, also shows many of the common elements attributed to Stick Style. The Mark Twain home is mainly comprised of brick, but also includes half-timbers, gabled roofs, and gable trusses. The house also features a portecochere.

## *Colors used in Victorian Stick Style*

Although there are sometimes difficulties with Stick Style homes, including necessary repairs for decorative elements, there are many advantages to this type of architecture as well. Victorian Stick Style homes are perfect for areas with heavy snowfall, because of their highly pitched roofs, which can reduce the damaging effects of ice. Stick Style homes are also well protected from rain and wind.



