

50 States of McMansion Hell: Bernalillo County, New Mexico

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Hello Friends! I'm at that stage of moving where all of my boxes are in my new house, yet remain to be unpacked. Needless to say, I've been recycling the same three outfits for a while now.

My favorite part about houses in the desert is that they're painted dull colors in some vague attempt to "integrate with the landscape" but fail miserably because they are conspicuously huge as heck.

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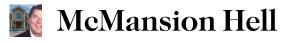
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Today's house, built in 2002, boasts 4 bedrooms and 4 bathrooms, totaling around 6,300 square feet. It can be your desert oasis for just

Lawyer Foyer



logical jukebox placement: in the giant tile echo chamber

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ah yes, my special candle table niche level: listening Neutral Milk Hotel on reel-to-real

my Roman houses class tells me this is the second period of Roman frescoes - where walls are painted to look like stone. That's right, folks. We've been doing this fakery



Perhaps my favorite thing about so many houses in New Mexico is that they drift into very iffy Native American cultural appropriation territory, but fail miserably and end up imitating an Olive Garden instead.

Great Room



"Yes, guests, this is totally a restaurant! The consuming space is totally separate and not visible from the preparation space!" It's a pretty awkward place to have a bar, tbh.

Kitchen

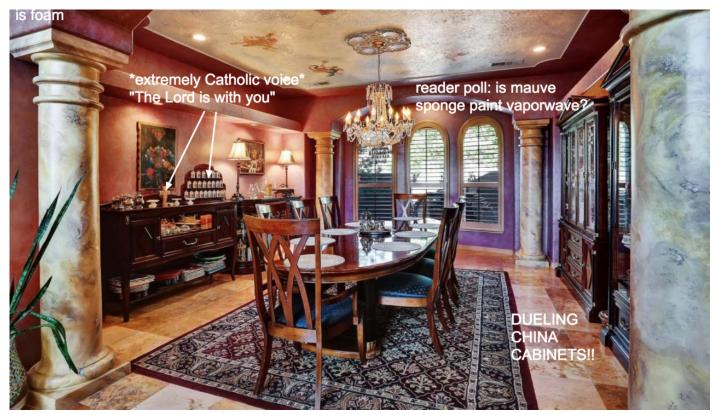




Mockery aside, why aren't ceiling mounted cabinets more popular, especially in small kitchens? It seems like a clever way to add extra shelf space!

Dining Room





Calling it now, take the dining table out and this is totes vaporwave.

Master Bedroom





Can't tell if this room is gold or not, please advise.

Master Bath

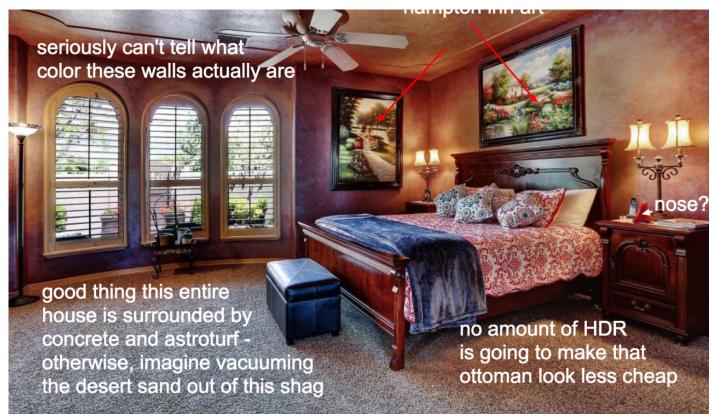




I've never been rich and divorced before, so I have no idea if rich person divorce involves chandeliers or not, but it seems logical to me that chandeliers would be involved in some way.

Bedroom 2





I laugh, but I've owned that same ottoman.

Football Kitchen Office





This room puts the multi in multipurpose. Also MP3 Jukeboxes are analogous to those old-school phone handsets you plug into the headphone jack of your cellphone.

Bathroom 2





Antique Slime is your free Band Name of the Week!

Okay folks, we're about to wrap up, but I couldn't not include the room that made me pick this house in the first place. Prepare yourselves for...

(In a sinister voice): Child's Lair

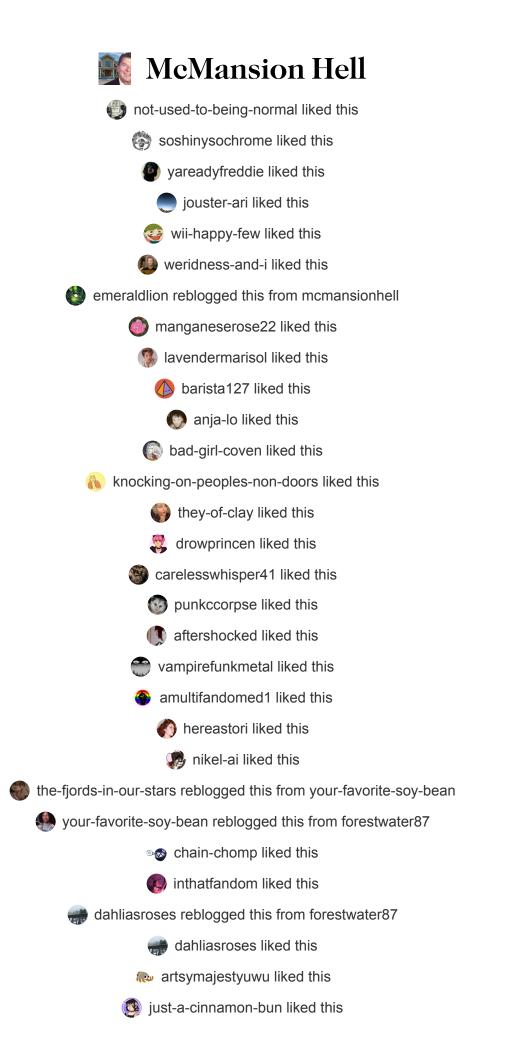




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Alright, time for our favorite and final part:

Rear Exterior





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cheesehouse said: It's bothering me that the Child's Lair can't decide if it's wants to be Disney or Looney Tunes themed....

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Why is half of the rear of the house "Mediterranean" and half of it Adobe Photoshop? Why is there astroturf on one part but grass on the other? Why are there so many dining sets?





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