

Trends

An in depth look at hottest building trends for 2017





Trend #1
Islands- The
bigger the
Better!

Islands have
continued to
grow. They
have become
the hub of the
party and the
center of family
activities

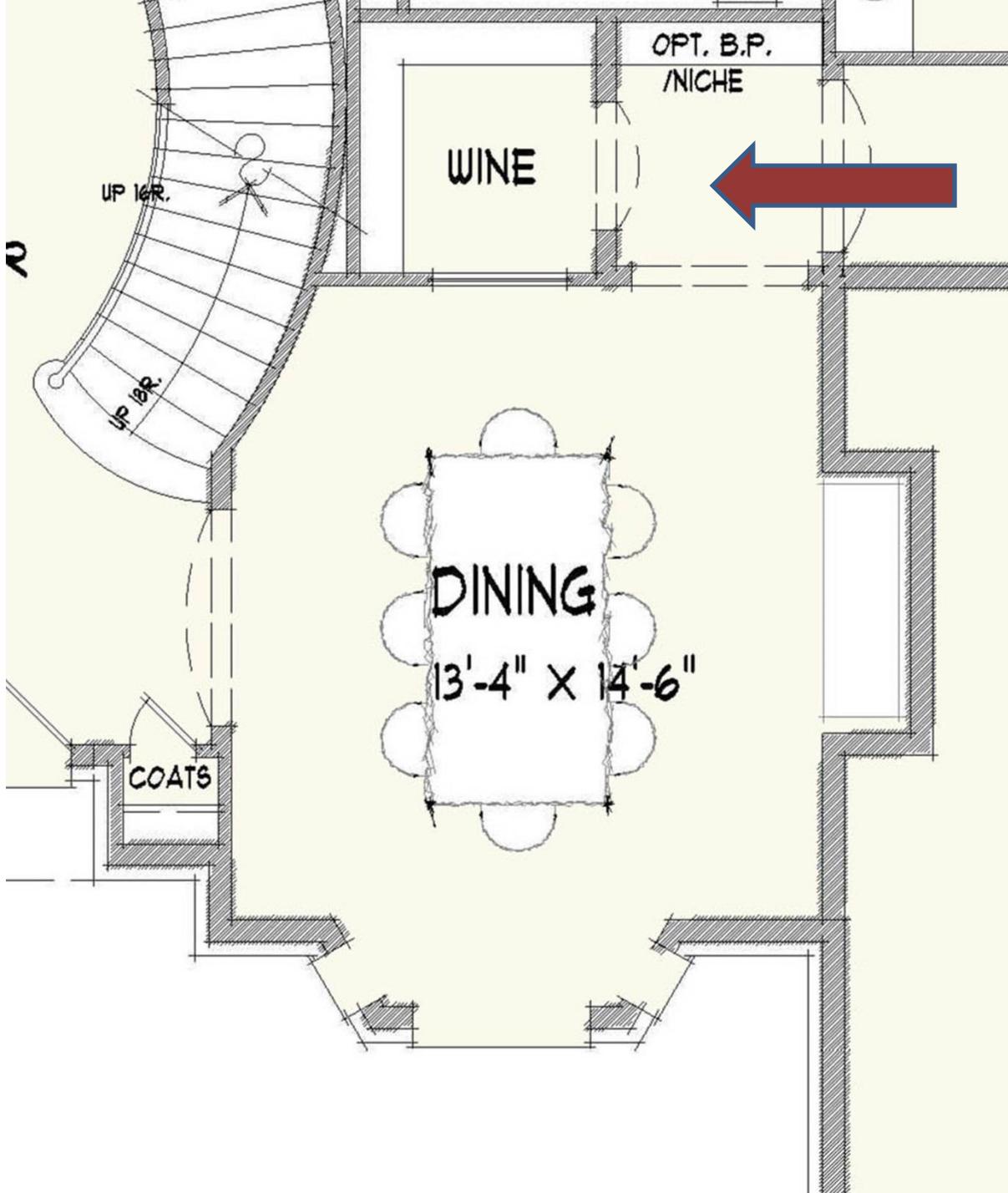


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Tend #2

Our next trend revolves around Americans love of wine. The popularity of the wine station surged in 2015. Areas that were once reserved for Butler's pantries are now spaces to display and store wine bottles.



The Wine Station is typically adjacent to the Dining space (formal or informal). Elements such as glass doors and rich material treatments often accompany this space





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The Wine Station can be as simple as an alcove/bar adjacent to a Living or Dining Space

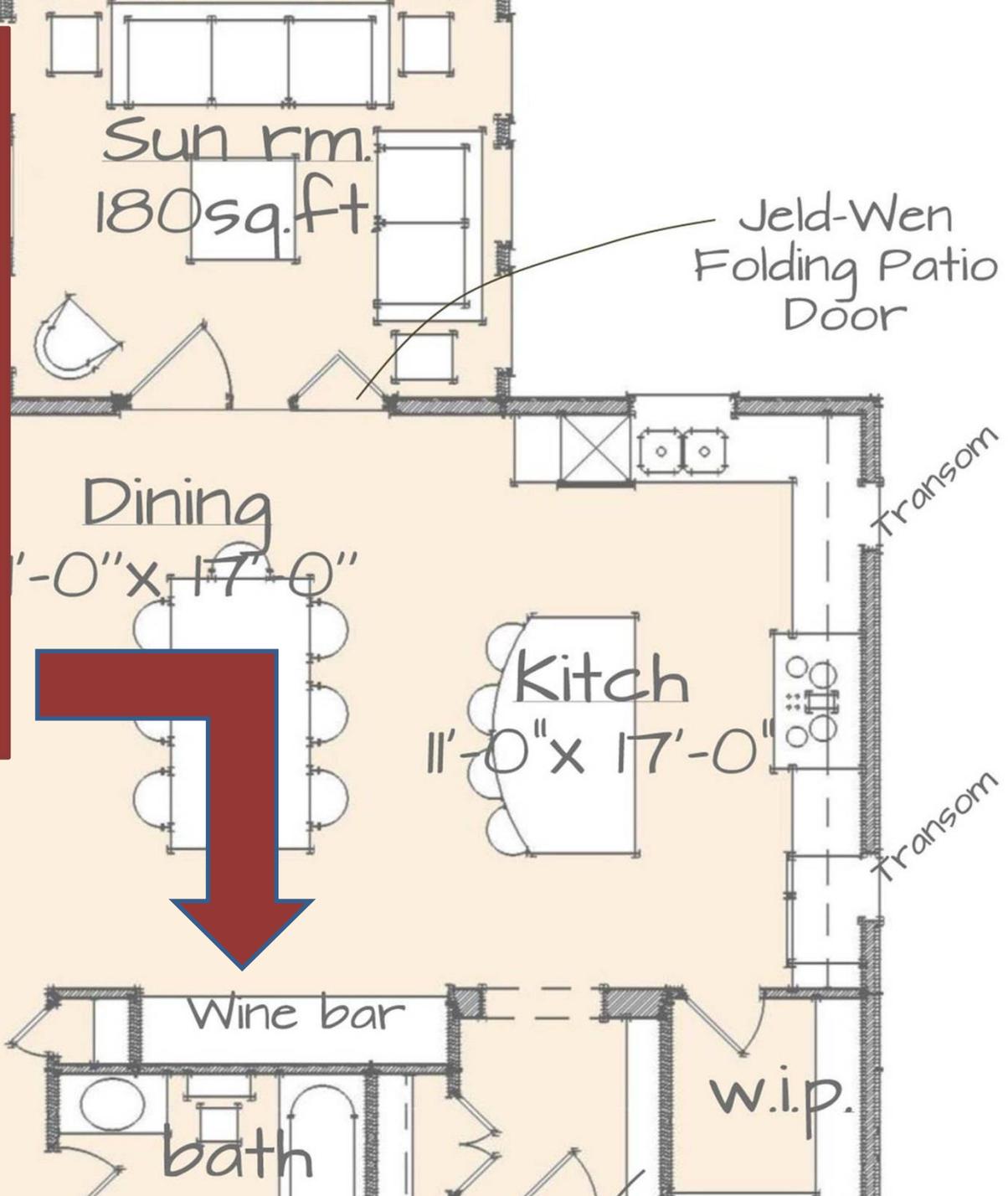




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TREND #3

Our third trend is the evolution of Owner's Bathroom spaces. The days of sunken tubs are over. Decidedly tubs in general often see very little practical use and can become more art than function. Free standing tubs without the clunky tile deck are in vogue. As an aside tubs in many cases are actually eliminated in lieu of a larger shower with more amenities.

Current bath design demands importance and balance. The freestanding tub becomes the focal point for the entire space

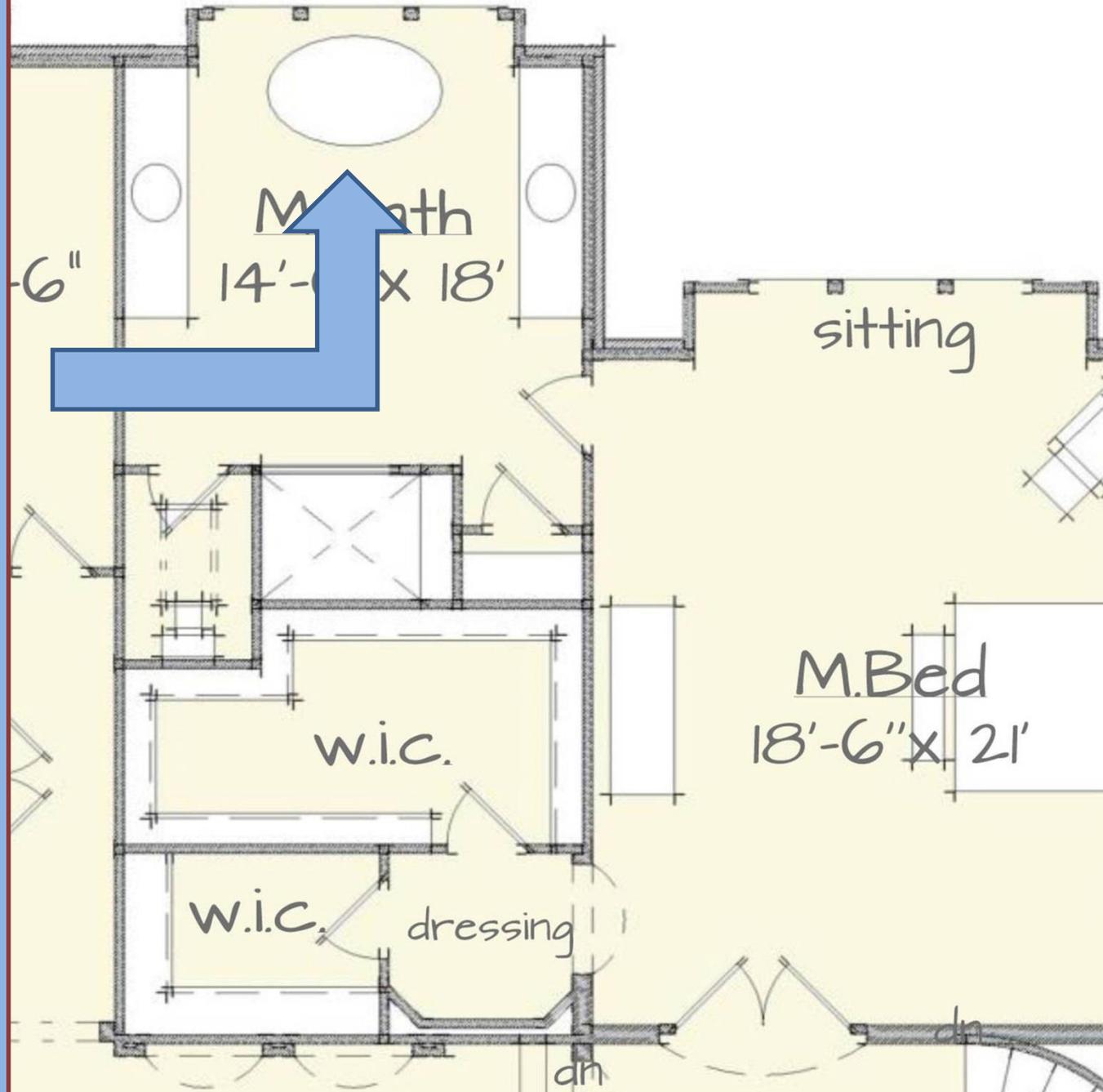




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TREND #4

Our fourth trend relates to stairway positioning. The stairway has left the Foyer!

For years the stairway has been the focal point of the entrance Foyer, forcing this space to be larger than it need be. Also the formality of this location minimized day to day function. Today's stairways are located where the action is near the living triangle.

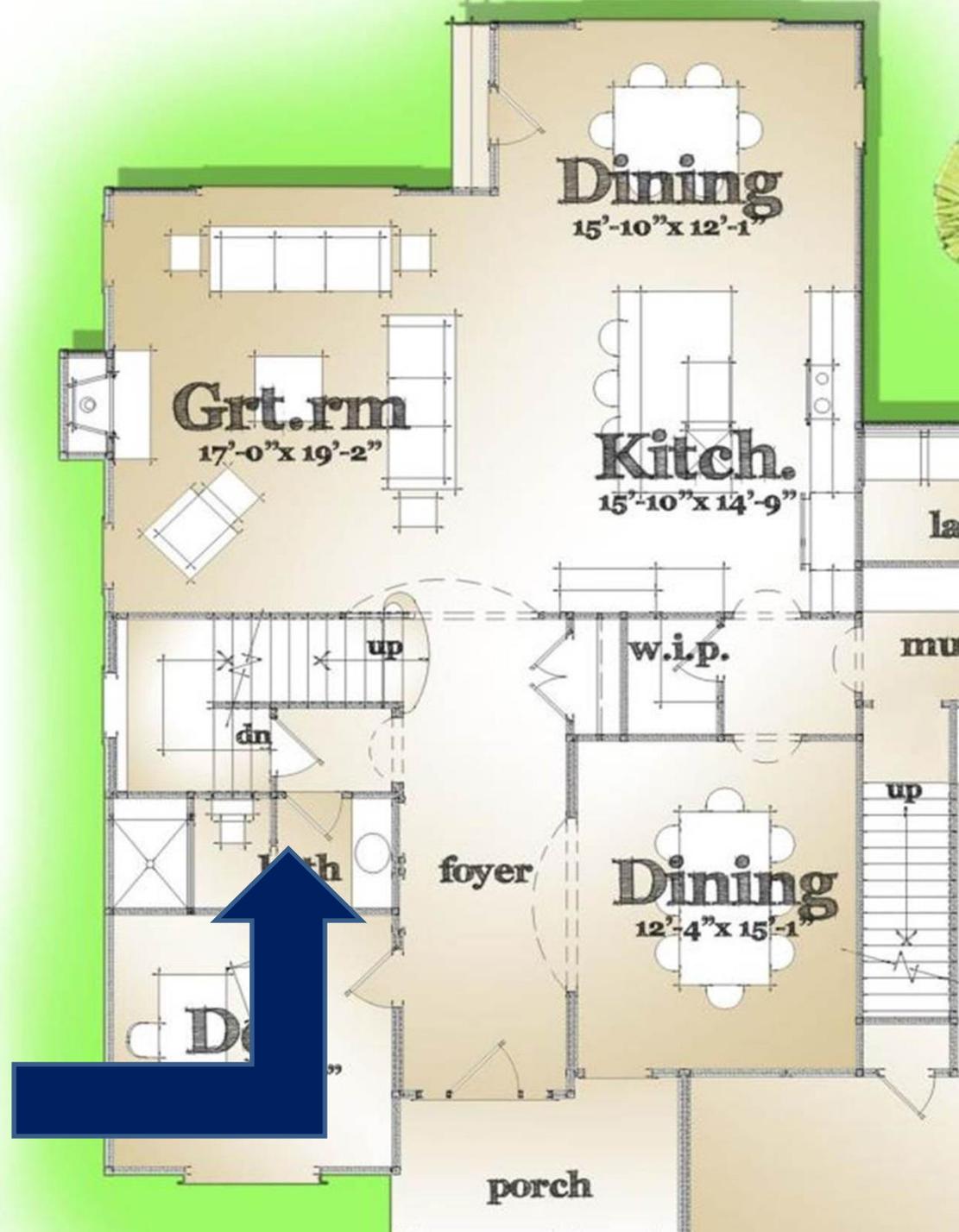




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Trend #5

Moms finally get the space they deserve! The Mom's office is trending across the country.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN
 (1555 S.F. TOTAL)

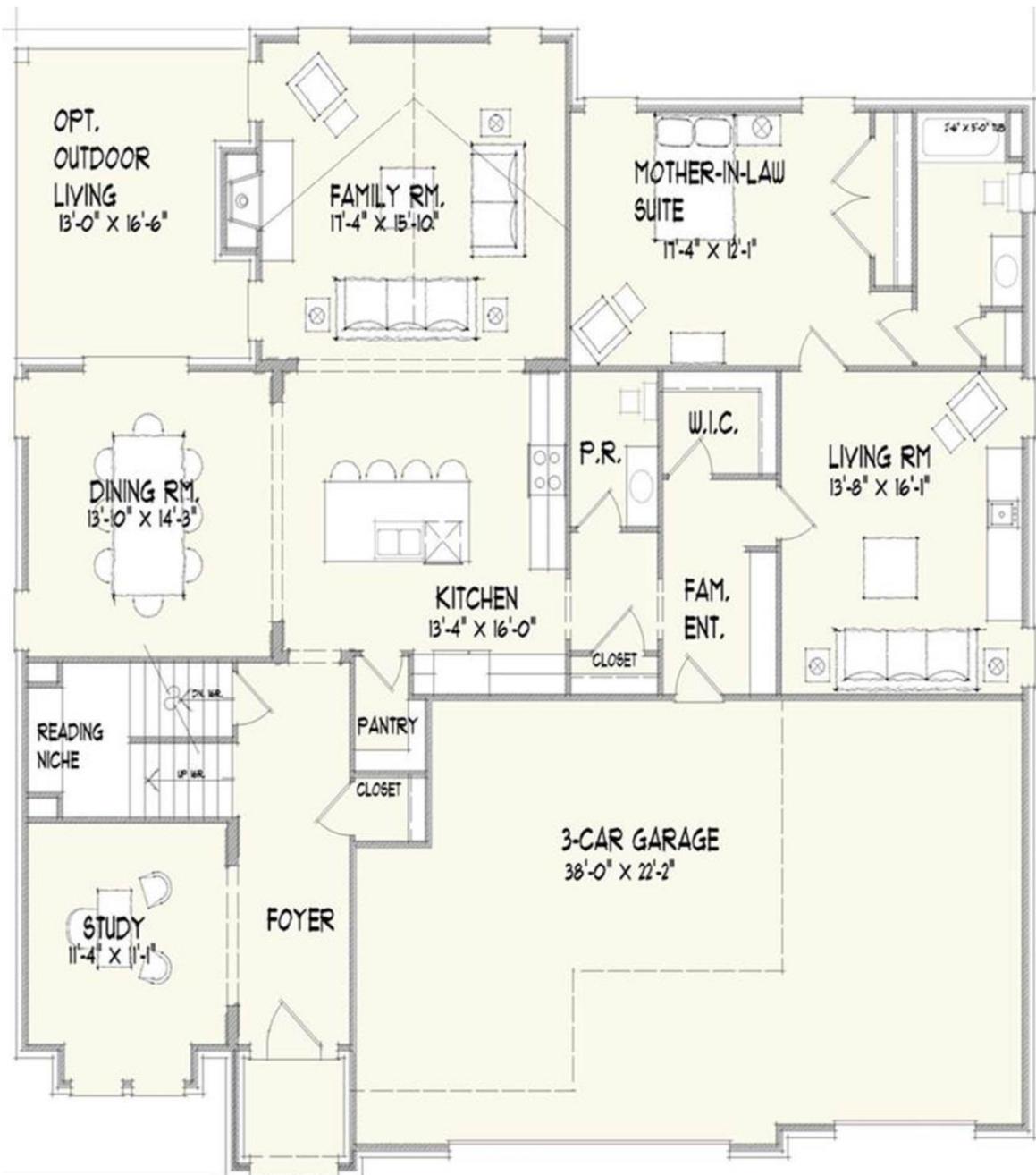
The Mom's office is appropriately located off the heart of the home – the Kitchen. This is a space outside of the peering eyes of guests and can be kept a bit more casual. The space often doubles as a Craft Room and is a great spot for bills and other paperwork requiring file storage.



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Trend #6 Multi Generational Homes



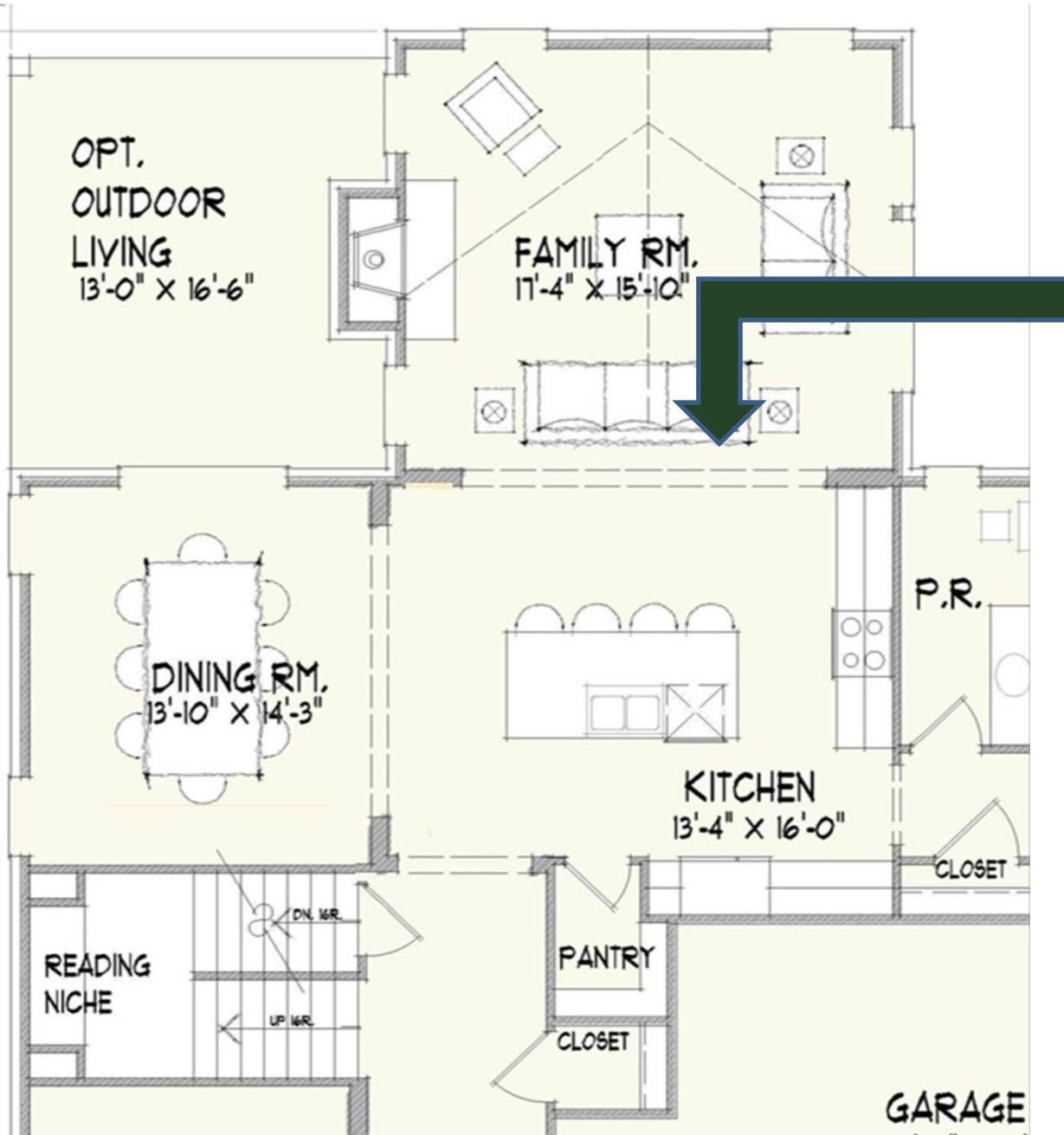
Homes that allow for Multi-generational living are hot in 2015. This is not just a Den convert but a full-on multi generational suite. The suite includes a Full sized bedroom, bathroom, closet, and Living space. The living space often has a Kitchenette.



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Trend #7 – Transitional Spaces



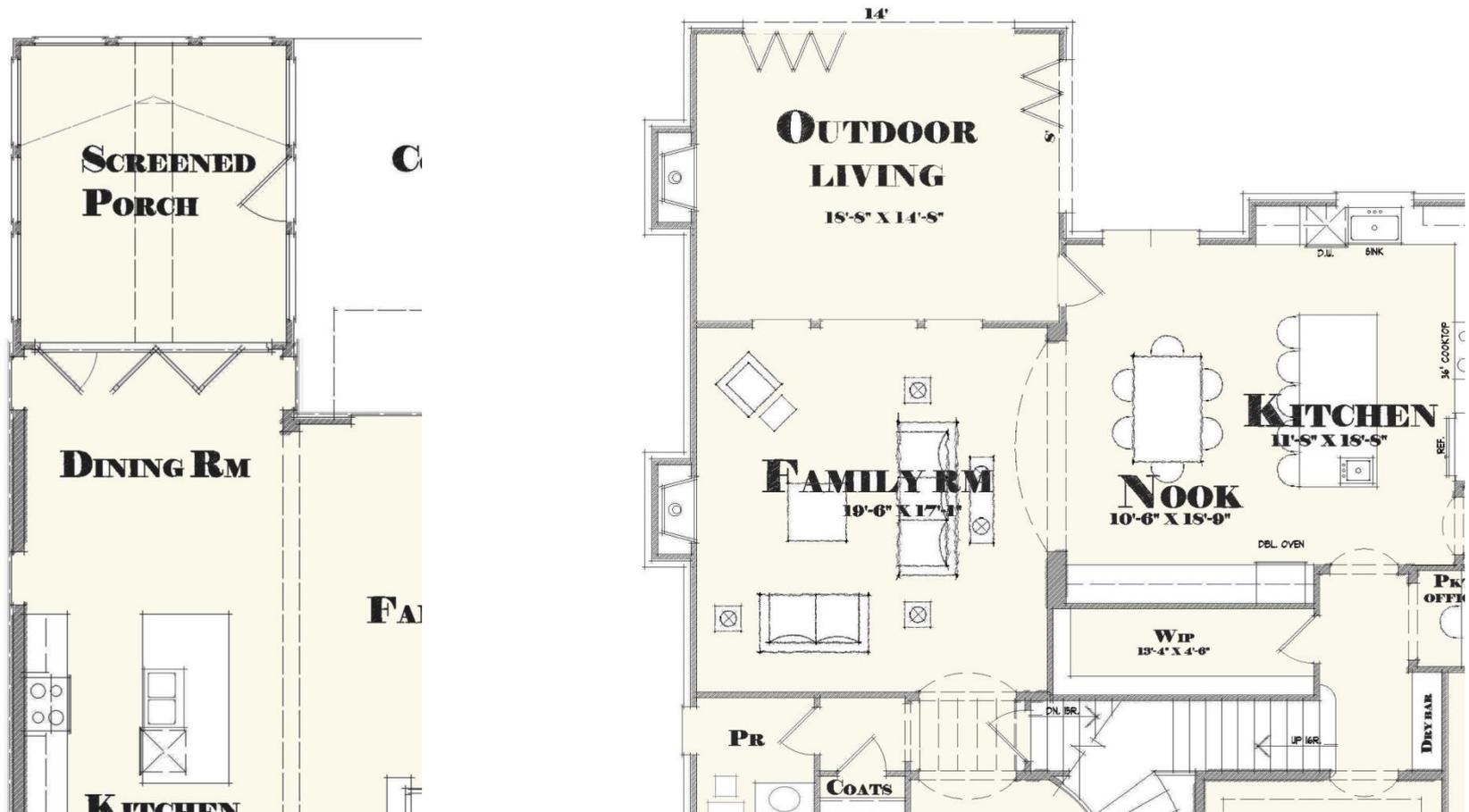
Open floor plans are still hot, however homeowners now want more delineation between spaces. Defining these spaces with thickened walls and dropped headers allows for openness yet creates cozy spaces,





Trend #8
Bringing
the
Inside
Out





Expanding the home to the outdoors is a trend that is growing around the nation regardless of climate. Collapsible glass doors offer a seamless transition from inside to outside. Using the same color palette will help to create the flow from indoor rooms to screened-in porches, covered patios, or verandas.

