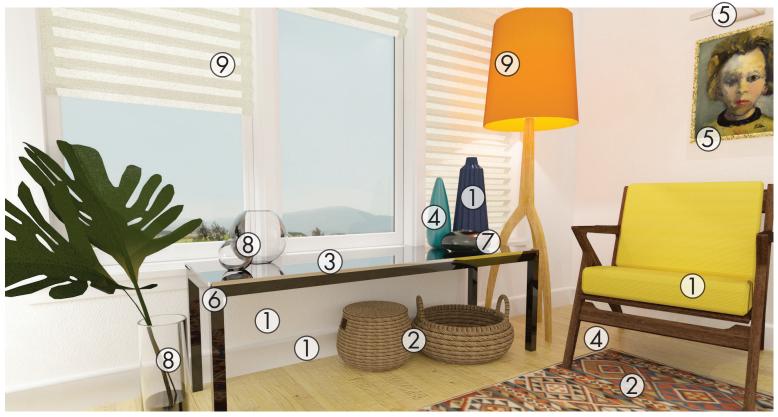
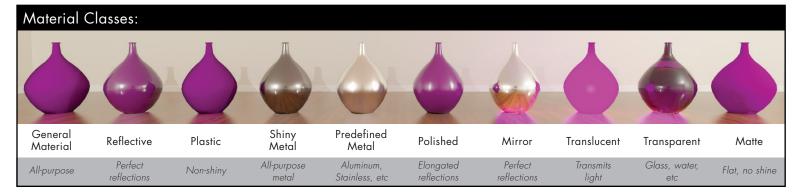
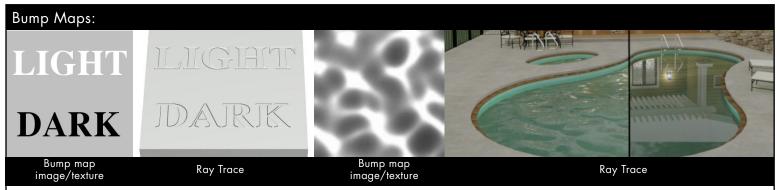


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- 1. General Material
- 6. Reflective
- 2. Matte
- 7. Shiny Metal
- 3. Mirror
- 8. Transparent
- 4. Polished
- 9. Translucent
- 5. Pre-Defined Metal





A bump map is an image file that makes a material appear non-flat in ray trace views. Apply a bump map in the Properties panel of the Define Material Dialog. Access the dialog by clicking on the applicable material in a render view with the Adjust Material Definition Tool.



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Download the Hillside Contemporary sample plan & materials from chiefarchitect.com/products/samples. Follow along with online training video 1919.*



- 1. Ray Trace Assistant: Outdoor, High Quality, Dark Environment Lighting, No Focal Blur
- 2. Backdrop: Change backdrop to a night sky scene
- 3. Grass: Blend grass material with a dark green color (RGB: 38, 69, 53)
- 4. Parallel Light: Intensity-75W, Color-blue, Tilt Angle-0°, Direction Angle-90°
- 5. Spot Lights: Intensity-75W, Color-pale yellow, Tilt Angle-90°, Direction Angle-0°, Cut Off Angle-108°, Drop Off Rate-1.5
- 6. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-gold, Absolute Elevation-80.875"
- 7. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-orange, Absolute Elevation-80.875"
- 8. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-gold, Absolute Elevation-80.875"
- 9. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-orange, Absolute Elevation-220", Casts shadows off
- 10. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-yellow, Absolute Elevation-220", Casts shadows off
- 11. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-dark orange, Absolute Elevation--35.75"
- 12. Light Source: Point light, Intensity-150W, Color-gold, Absolute Elevation-60"

Additional Resources:

Help Database Articles

1. KB-00010: Speeding up a Ray Trace

- 2. KB-02071: Controlling System Resources During a Ray Trace
- 3. KB-00947: Using Bump Maps for Ray Tracing
- 4. KB-00777: Working with Light Sources
- 5. KB-01001: Using the Sun Angle Tool

Online & Mobile Training Videos *Require SSA

- 1. 1909 Ray Tracing Tips & Techniques
- 2. 9910 Focus: Lighting Techniques for Render & Ray Trace
- 3. 1589-1591 Zen-Bath Ray Trace Rendering Project Parts 1-3
- 4. 10030 Chief Architect Quick Tip Ray Trace Rendering
- 5. 10038 Chief Architect Quick Tip Sun Angles
- 6. 20 Creating Photo-Realistic Renderings
- 7. 5223 Camera & Ray Trace Features