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| Colouring London Building Typology |

The following guide provides some typical exterior characteristics of the buildings associated with each age category that has been set by Colouring London. It is designed to be a guide to help students to enter the data into the correct category. It is not a comprehensive guide to building typologies in London.

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| **Age category** | **Common exterior features/characteristics** |
| ≥2000 | Glass, metal, concrete, flat roof, multi-storey, modern. |
| 1980–2000 | Brick, double glazing, apex roof, garage, front garden. |
| 1960–1980 | Brick, cladding (wooden weatherboarding or hanging tiles), double glazing, apex roof, garage, front garden. |
| 1940–1960 | Brick, rendered, single glazing, small traditional windows. |
| 1920–1940 | Art deco style – lead window frames, decorative glass in front doors. |
| 1900–1920 | Brick, rendered or pebble dashed, single glazing, small traditional windows but more decorative in style than Victorian houses. |
| 1880–1900 | Brick, singe glazing, wooden, sash windows, stained glass in front door windows, apex roof, decorative plaster work. |
| 1860–1880 | Brick, singe glazing, sash windows, apex roof, decorative plaster work. |
| 1840–1860 | Brick, singe glazing, wooden windows, apex roof. Chimneys.  Often characterised by the two up, two down terraced housing. |
| 1820–1840 | Brick, singe glazing, wooden windows, apex roof made from slate. |
| 1800–1820 | Brick, singe glazing, lead windows, apex roof, symmetrical designs. |
| 1780–1800 | Brick, singe glazing, lead windows, apex roof, symmetrical designs. |
| 1760–1780 | Stone, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| 1740–1760 | Stone, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| 1720–1740 | Stone, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| 1700–1720 | Stone, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| 1680–1700 | Stone, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| 1660–1680 | Stone or clay, exposed timber frames, timber framed windows, thatched roofs, small windows, low door heights. |
| <1660 | Stone, timber framed windows, small proportions, low door heights. |

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