

RANCH

1950s

The Ranch style was created from a mix of styles, the Craftsman and Prairie styles as well as elements of the Spanish Colonial style in the 1830s. This mix of styles was combined with the emerging lifestyle changes of Americans after World War II.

Although not as popular in Ontario as the Early Tract homes, there are several examples of the Ranch style. One of the best examples of this style is the Rehkop House on Armsley Square.

COMMON FEATURES

- Orientation of house changed from a narrower street frontage to a wider street frontage
- Low pitched gable or hipped roofs
- Attached garage
- Minimized front porch
- No porch stoop (slab foundation)
- Board and batten or clapboard siding or stucco, sometimes combination
- Brick chimneys
- Picture and casement windows

WINDOWS

Windows were typically individual casement, aluminum frame windows. Sliding windows were also used.

DOORS

Doors were typically plain, and painted an accent color.

COLORS

Homes were typically painted in color schemes consisting of 2 to 3 colors. Palettes were muted tones. Trim was usually a brighter color. Sometimes a third accent color was used

