



LIGHT UP YOUR LIFE

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THE PLACE: Rafter's Living Lighting offers the brightest solutions for all your lighting and home décor needs. The beautiful, functional showroom in Barrie's south end makes it easy to find the ideal fixture for every room in your home. The showroom even has a special area dedicated to all your outdoor lighting needs. "Don't let the small store frontage fool you," says owner Terry Uptigrove. "We have 5,000 sq. ft. of fabulous lighting products for your home and it doesn't end there." Rafter's also carries furniture, art, large wall clocks, gifts for the home and a huge selection of kitchen accessories.

THE STYLE: Add the perfect finishing touch to your room with a light or lamp that fits your decorating style. "We love to serve

Barrie and area and it allows us to provide pieces from traditional to contemporary and all venues in between," Uptigrove says. You'll find a huge selection of crystal lights and chandeliers. Crystal isn't just for the dining room anymore. Add some bling to your bathroom, bedroom or even the kitchen. If you can't find what you're looking for, Terry's knowledgeable staff will find it for you.

WHAT'S HOT: The right lighting can make a room, so choose wisely. Drum lighting is still in demand and available in all shapes and sizes. Chandeliers with faux candles add a cosy feel to your front entrance or over your dining table. Contemporary lamps with fun shades and long-reaching arcs are perfect for reading nooks.



SEASONAL: Rafter's always brings in a great selection of Christmas décor to help you make a statement this holiday season. Pick from a selection of beautiful nativity sets or shop their huge selection of home-inspired gifts for everyone on your list.

FAVOURITES: Rafter's' kitchen section is the talk of the town. It draws both men and women to find the most useful and unusual gadgets and cooking accents. The brie baker is a current favourite and at Rafter's you'll find the largest selection around. Stop in for a new lampshade and all those hard-to-find replacement bulbs.

GET THERE: 42 Caplan Ave., Barrie. 705.721.9854
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