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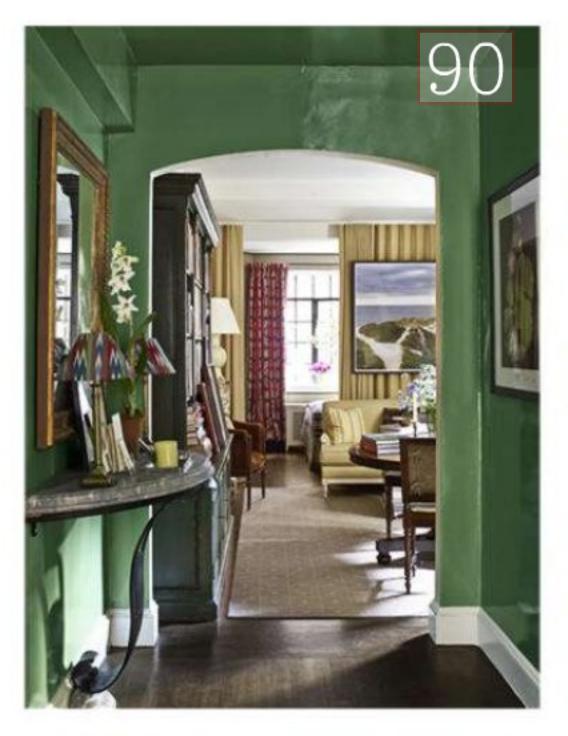
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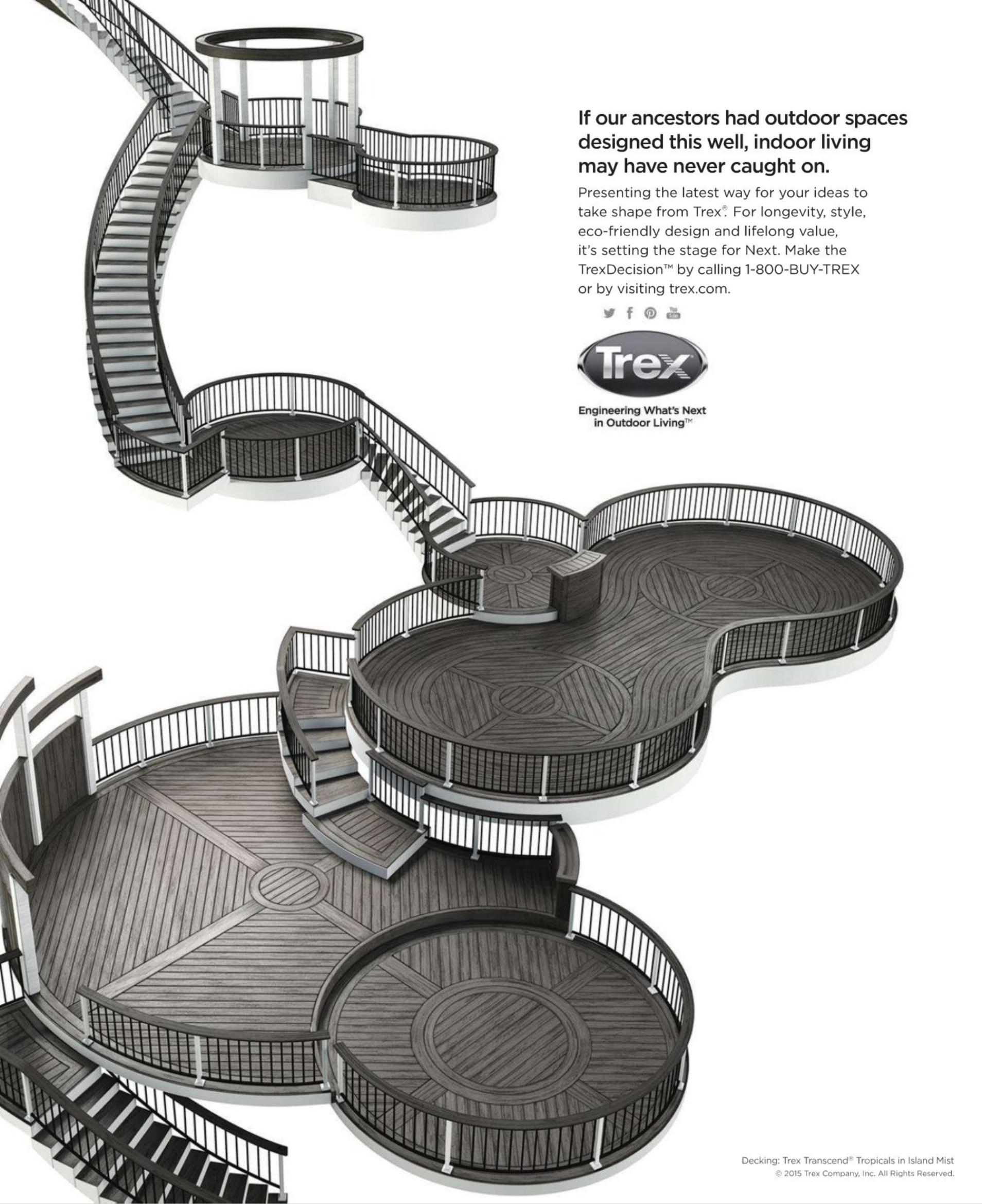
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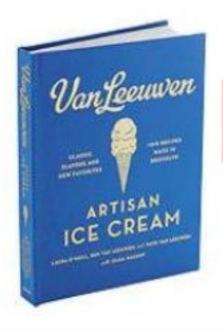
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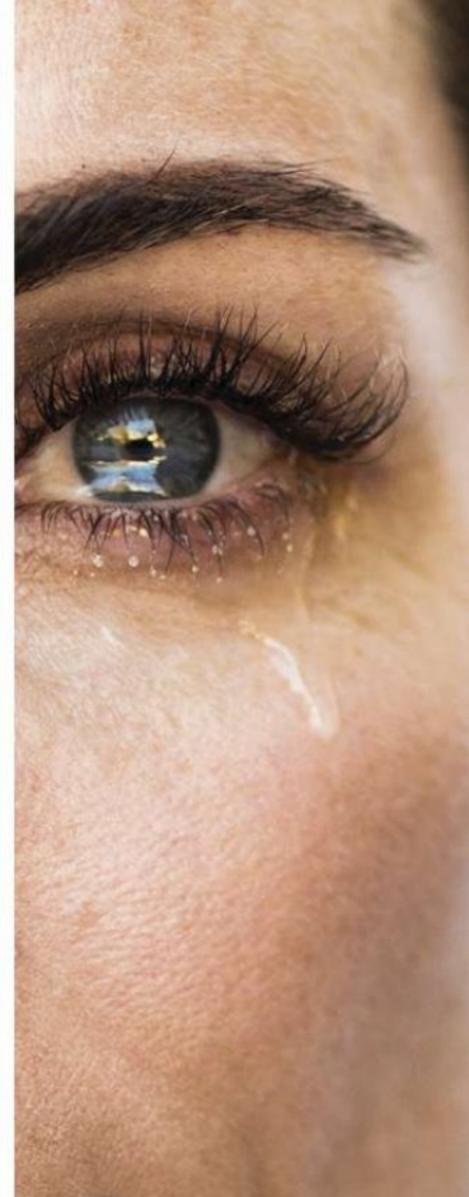
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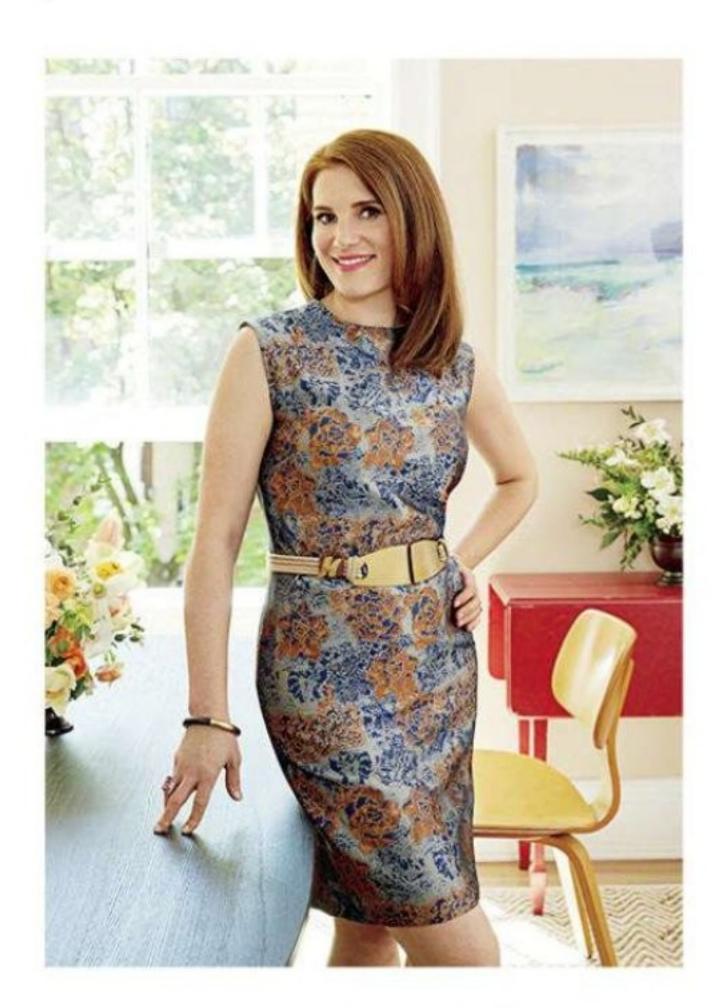
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- Feeling like something is in your eye
- Problems wearing contact lenses
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Chronic Dry Eye can limit your ability to perform daily activities that involve your eyes. Over time it can have potential consequences for your eyes—damage to the front surface of the eye, increased risk of infection, and effects on your vision. The good news is that treatment options are available.

# TAKE ACTION NOW

- SCHEDULE a medical exam with your optometrist or ophthalmologist to see if you have Chronic Dry Eye. Don't wait.
- TAKE a brief questionnaire eye doctors use to assess Chronic Dry Eye, and SHOW the results to your eye doctor.

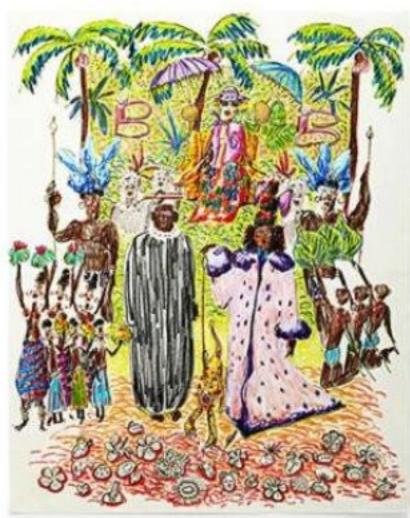




Clockwise from
top right: Traditional
Maasai jewelry,
combs, and a shield.
Teddy bathes in our
DXV sink. The
vintage hippo footstool was a wedding
gift, requested
with a baby in mind.
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SCAN SOPHIE'S PHOTO TO HEAR MORE FROM HER







My mother would tip our old checked club chair to the floor until its curved back became the bow of a ship headed through choppy waters, with two rambunctious girls at the helm. I now recognize that it was likely my mum who, like so many parents, devised this game to fill the hours until bedtime.

Sailing? I can take it or leave it. But a checked slipcover I'll love forever.

I often wonder, What will my little son remember about our home? As we settle into our "for keeps" apartment, I can't help but project his childhood unfolding in front of me. Should I leave space in Teddy's closet for a trike? Which will be his favorite hide-and-go-seek nook? Will he use the fire escape to sneak

out in high school? Is the apartment even big enough for hide-and-go-seek?

My own adolescence lives here, too. Zany marker-and-pastel illustrations by my godfather, studied by me as a kid, hang in our living room. A utilitarian bench that's too useful to toss has made the trip from apartment number one to here, apartment number eight-or-so. The chipped paint reveals two decades of color—the current one a Chinese red I painted when my husband and I combined homes. (Next up: acid green.) To the mix, I recently added a pair of Maasai shields my dad acquired while living in Kenya; they hung in my childhood living room, along with tribal masks, combs, beaded jewelry—and Flemish prints. (Both my parents had a hand there.) When I look around, I see the objects, but I think of the people, some no longer here. It can make me sentimental, but more often it gives me peace to live alongside the things they loved.

For every bit of my past, there's something I've chosen with the future in mind. The kitchen's generous farmhouse sink was picked for bathing a dog someday—or a baby. (To my joy, when my son saw it, he declared, "Vimming pool!" He's right—it's big, and terrific for dishwashing, too.) There's the tuxedo-style sofa with a bench seat, because I love the idea of us all sharing one cushion. There are plentiful throw pillows, because I can't wait to make pillow forts.

Who knows if we'll really build them? Right now the sofa is where my husband and I collapse into each other's laps after a long flight or a harrowing bedtime ritual. To Teddy, it's a platform for watching a noisy fire engine charge by. The joy of decorating is in witnessing memories attach themselves to mere objects. It's not art or furniture that completes a room, it's you and yours.

Everyone has a checked chair of their own. Tell me about yours on Instagram or Twitter: @sophiedow!



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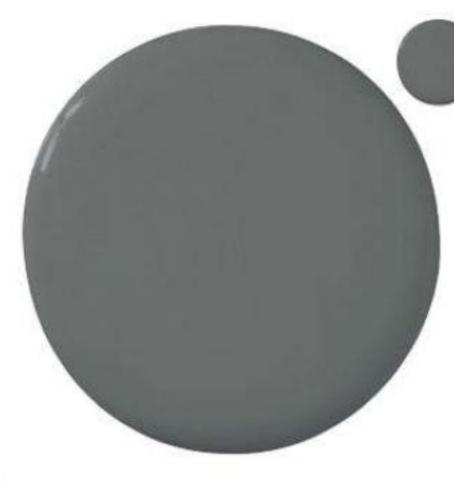
Lewis evokes a shimmering wind chime with its stunning, sculptural form. Staggered crystal and brass rods surround a tiered candelabra, creating glamorous contrast.



# PAINT

# Instant Elegance

The right paint color can add immediate sophistication to any room.



### SEAL 086 PORTOLA PAINTS & GLAZES

"When I chose the color for my library, I needed something sophisticated since it's next to the living room. This blue-gray is quiet and dramatic at the same time, which is the definition of elegance. It's equally lovely in the morning light or in the evening, lit by the glow of a lamp. It would also look great on kitchen cabinets."

MOLLY ISAKSEN



### REGAL PURPLE 56RB 09/302 GLIDDEN

"This is a combination of plum and iris, deep, rich, and perfectly pigmented to evoke old-world glamour and elegance. I would love to use it in high gloss in a dining room, with bleached herringbone floors and lots of crisp white cotton trimmed in purple for curtains and upholstery."

MEGAN WINTERS



### VIOLET CRUSH DE5946 DUNN-EDWARDS

"In our bedroom in a little California beach house, I wanted to create a soft, cozy box for sleeping. I draped the walls in an amazing lavender linen and found this paint to match. With undertones of gray and pink—like lilacs that have been bleached by the sun—it immediately calms the soul. Completely dreamy."

JAMIE BUSH



### PELT 254 FARROW & BALL

**SARA STORY** 

"After a long day in New York City, I really want to go into a cocoon. And this deep, dark eggplant would completely envelop you. It conjures up Europe and the past but has a crispness that's contemporary too. I'd use it in a library, with an extra-deep leather sofa, old patinated brass, and a lime-green cashmere throw to snuggle up in. Don't disturb me."

### ICYTEAL 50GG 55/049 GLIDDEN

"Even if you're nowhere near a beach or a blue sky, this color would remind you of something out of nature. It's like sea foam—a bluegreen with a powdery gray undertone. It makes me feel happy and calm at the same time. Layer it with bold navy and bright white. I might add a touch of fuchsia or lemon."

# **ERICA DOMESEK**

### LULWORTH BLUE 89 FARROW & BALL

"This is magic-hour blue, that moment in between daylight and twilight before the color gradually fades out of the sky. It's a layered shade that captures the violet spectrum of blue yet never turns frigid. Silver sparkles against it, gold gleams, and mahogany takes on a glow. It's a saturated yet tranquil blue that may be the precise shade of heaven."

MARSHALL WATSON

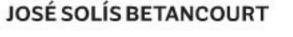
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### BURLAP RL1238 RALPH LAUREN PAINT

"This color is hard to describe—
it looks like caramel in the
daylight and more olive green
at night. It has a historical,
Colonial quality and brings a
sense of tradition and elegance
to a new house. The paneling
on the walls may be only paintgrade, but this color gives
it the richness and depth of
mahogany."







### ASTRACHAN 27-30 PRATT & LAMBERT

"This delicate blue is the color of a husky's eyes, with just a touch of periwinkle in it to offset the sweetness. It's serene and soothing and especially gorgeous in a sitting room with crisp white tailored upholstery and Indian-print floral curtains."

# **SCHUYLER SAMPERTON**

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# PAMELA SHAMSHIRI

# BLACK BLUE 95 FARROW & BALL

"I've always loved deep blues, the darker the better—rich, saturated blues that complement everything around them. Last year, I used this in a showhouse and became obsessed with it. In every light, it looks different. To me, elegance means luxurious, stylish, sophisticated, and understated. You know it when you see it. No bling, just beautiful!"

KERRY DELROSE



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ELAINE GRIFFIN













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Ken Fulk, the celebrated Bay Area designer, brings his "magic factory" east and his holistic and cheeky style approach to a store near you.

Though he's been designing interiors for nearly two decades—a few of which have graced the pages of this magazine—Ken Fulk appeared to burst onto the scene recently thanks to a perfect storm of It-list projects, from the private club (The Battery, San Francisco) to the wedding of the decade (for tech mogul Sean Parker, in a redwood forest), plus forthcoming restaurants and a studio for his team in New York City. Suddenly, everyone was atwitter about the man whose San Francisco studioreplete with floral department—is dubbed "the magic factory." The folks at Pottery Barn pricked up their ears too, enlisting Fulk for the company's first-ever designer collection, which debuts in late July.

For his line, the Virginia native landed on wanderlust as a touchstone. "I'm constantly marveling at the world," he says. "Not just traveling to exotic places, but also traveling back in time, trying to re-create that child-like sense of awe we lose as adults."

For Fulk, awe includes "animalia," hence the cheeky doggy barware—a love note to his three golden retrievers—and a giraffeprint rug with a distressed hide-like texture that he says gives a room instant interest. And there's awe in the mix of items cherry-picked from diverse places and eras. "A Federal-style mirror next to a Tramp Art-inspired mirror with a Danish modern sofa feels good," he says. "That tension is where the magic happens." Indeed, the sofa he created is comfy; it was designed to be extra-deep. "The designs are about modern life with a historical twist. And it's meant to have a sense of humor. I want you to smile! That's what it's all about."

From left: Admiral Bar Cart, \$599. Retriever Double Old-Fashioned Glass, \$21 for set of two. Retriever Cocktail Stirrer, \$11. Admiral Barstool, \$399. potterybarn.com



## Click & Coordinate

The new site Guildery.com invites shoppers to customize furniture and accessories with a zippy range of exclusive printed linens created by emerging and established designers (the items at far right are by Sarah & Ruby Design Studio). Pair any fabric with any piece, from ottomans to wallpaper, and then try another pairing! The prints within each small collection are designed to play nicely together, making it a breeze to outfit a pulled-together, pattern-rich room.





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WHITMAN OTTOMAN Aviator in Antibes
Green Reverse Royal
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#### WE'RE SMITTEN

### Exquisite Eggs

The delicate little Uova boxes by iconic Italian porcelain house Richard Ginori have us swooning. The company's beloved tableware patterns are reprised on these charming oddities, which come in five- and eight-inch sizes. richardginori1735.com

From left: Oriente Italiano in Bario, Oriente Italiano in Albus, Gigli in Acquamarina, and Oro di Doccia in Giada. From \$275 each.

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From top: **SHADOW** In Midnight. Linen. fabricand steel.com. **BURNET** By Thom Filicia. In Ink. Linen. kravet.com. **SILHOUETTE REVERSE** In Windsor Blue. Linen and cotton. quadrillefabrics.com. *All fabrics available through a designer*.

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#### THE EXPERTS

#### NEXT WAVE

#### **AN URBAN BACHELOR PAD**

For a single client's apartment in New York City, Buzzetta crafted a look that's "classic, but with a masculine, contemporary twist," the designer says. Matte Venetianplaster walls are accented by high-gloss trim in Benjamin Moore's San Antonio Gray. ("High gloss adds so much drama.") A Restoration Hardware banquette is custom upholstered in blue velvet, and the octagonal mirror, a Pier 1 Imports find, is framed by delicate French Art Deco sconces. Buzzetta stitched together two rugs to cover the floor, one of his favorite tricks for staying on budget. An artwork propped on the windowsill is a clever air-conditioner disguise.



#### A PEEK INSIDE ANTONINO'S WORLD



Minimalism is

**SOUTHERN ITALY** "My parents are from Sicily. I fantasize about designing and running a beachside boutique hotel there.

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OUD WOOD "My go-to scent. I named my dog after Tom Ford!" tomford.com

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#### ALESSANDRA BRANCA ON LIGHTNESS

"My work is all about interiors that can be lived in. A room can be quite grand and elegant, but beauty doesn't rule out comfort and fun. The best spaces are layered with items that are meant to be used and enjoyed and that have personality. An unexpected trim or a particular combination of patterns tempers a room's stiff formality and creates a calm, welcoming space."



^ STYLE RIOT "The unorthodox combo—Gustavian chairs, a Biedermeier table, a Dutch chandelier in a scrim, japanned étagères—makes this room lively," says the Chicago-based designer.



A DRESSED DOWN "Linen slipcovers make the very fancy Chippendale chairs seem less serious—even a bit modern—and actually highlight their silhouettes. The red velvet welt adds a special touch."



#### BRANCA'S TRIED-AND-TRUE TIPS

#### UPHOLSTERY POWER

"Soften a bold print by using the reverse side. Cover a refined piece in something relaxed, like raw linen. Gingham and ticking stripes add cheer."

#### **GATHER'ROUND**

"Round dining tables are friendlier and less imposing than rectangular ones."

#### DYNAMIC DIAGONALS

"A rug placed on an angle or a desk straddling a corner is fun and surprising."

#### UN-CANOPY YOUR BED

"The framework is often very interesting! Without fabric, you'll have a wonderful sculptural object."

#### HARMONIC DISSONANCE

"I'm a huge believer in complementary juxtapositions, such as lacquered walls with plaster sconces."

#### **SWITCH IT UP**

"Moving things around keeps a room from getting staid. Prop artwork on a console, then later a mantel, and so on."

#### SLIPCOVER MAGIC

"Wash fabric first to soften the material. Washing will also accent the texture."

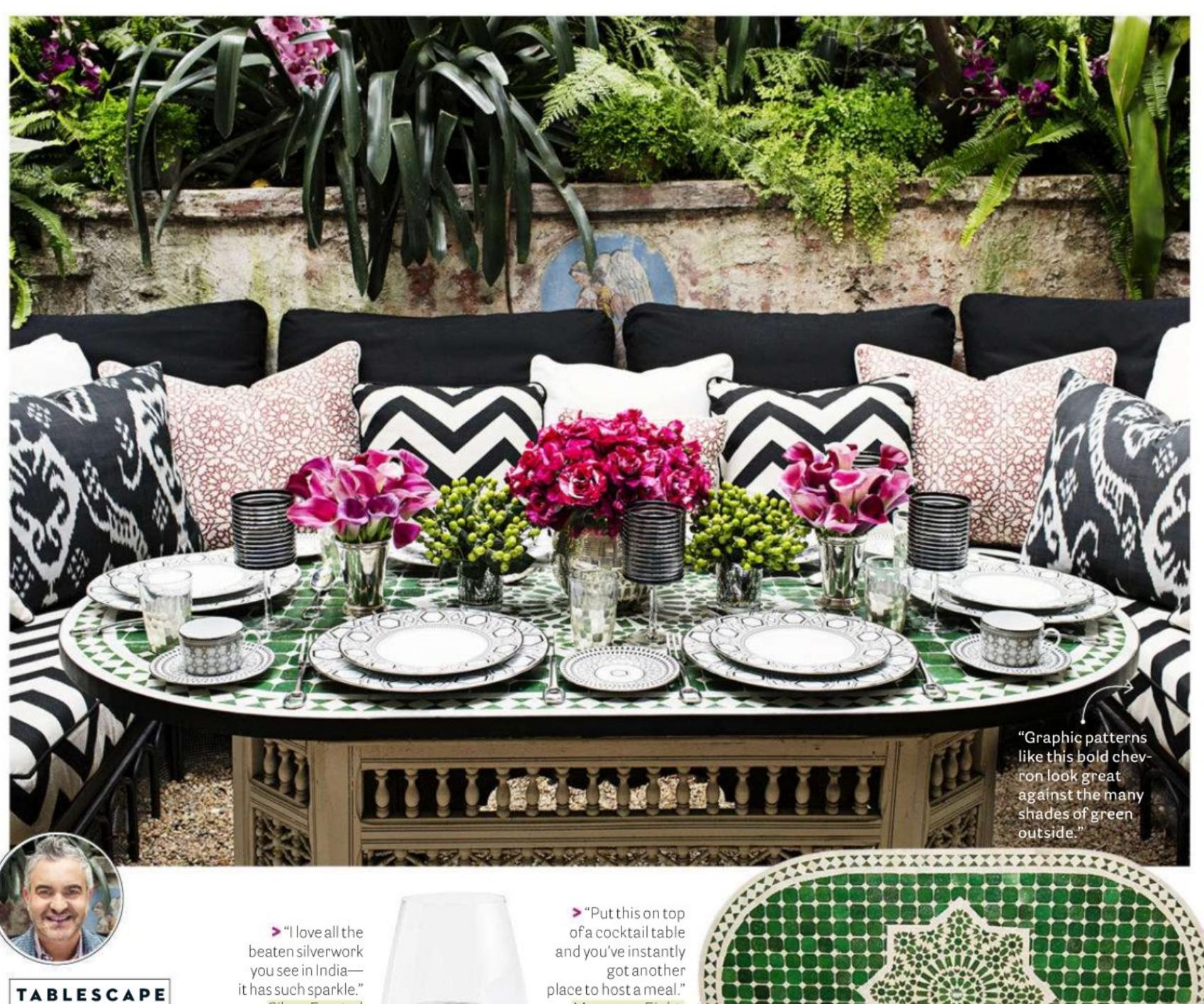
#### **PLAY WITH SCALE**

"Even one sleight of hand, like a big lamp, gives a room levity."

#### EXPERIMENT

"There's no secret formula, so have fun!"





#### **MARTYN** LAWRENCE **BULLARD'S GLAM** SUMMER FETE

At his 1920s Hollywood home, once owned by Rudolph Valentino, the ever-in-demand decorator retreats to his lush, evocative garden to relax and entertain.

> > "I mix and match pieces on the table to achieve a look that is slightly eccentric." Charleston Wineglass by Dibbern, \$148. barneys.com

Silver-Faceted Moroccan Eight-Stemless Wine-Pointed Star Table glass, \$24 for four. Top, \$1,350. berbere worldmarket.com worldimports.com



"They're David Hicks meets Morocco." Hollywood Dinner Plate, top, \$120; Bread and Butter Plate, bottom, \$70. By Martyn Lawrence Bullard for Haviland. 866-289-3286

> "The poufs are my dog Daisy's favorite place to lounge." Leather Moroccan Poufin Silver, \$375. jonathanadler.com



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#### AN OVERLOOKED NOOK

THE CHALLENGE "Turn an uninspired pass-by area into a designed space with personality and a point of view!"

#### 1. START WITH STYLING

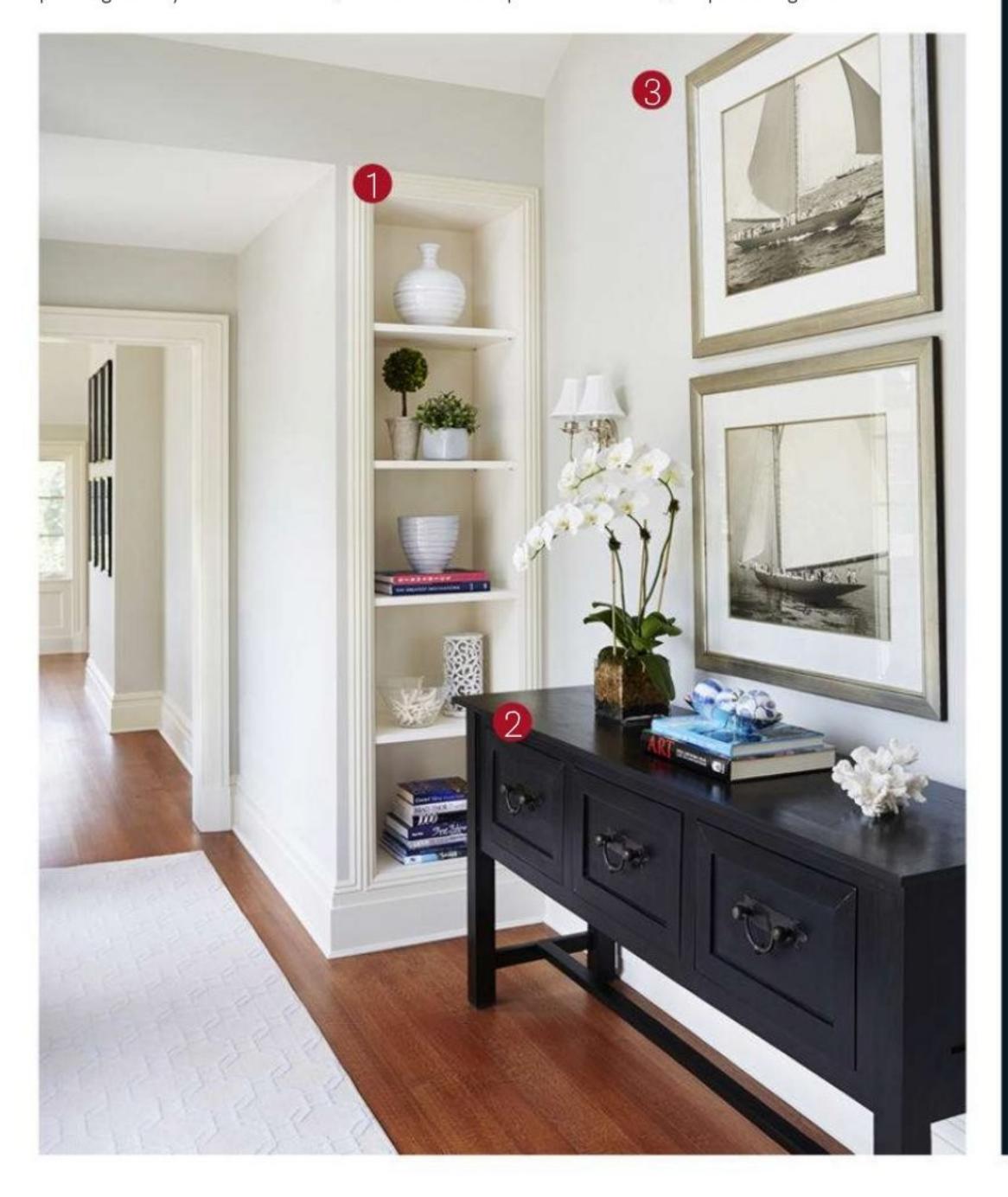
"Take everything off the shelves and begin with a blank slate. Lay books sideways in stacks or stand them up in between bookends. I prefer a few shelves to be without books on them. Add vases, boxes, and other objets throughout, then sprinkle in framed family pictures and potted greenery."

#### 2. ADD A CONSOLE

"Use the longest console that will fit to anchor the space and give it the feel of a room. One with shelves or drawers provides extra storage. In a shallow area, choose one that measures no more than 10 or 12 inches deep, so you can easily move around it. Then work your styling magic on the console's top."

#### 3. FINISH IT OFF WITH ART

"I like arranging artwork vertically in pairs. This makes a space seem instantly grander, and it helps a small nook appear bigger by drawing the eye up. It works with larger pieces as well as smaller ones. Leave two to three inches between each piece to give the composition a cohesive, pulled-together look."





#### CHARLOTTE'S EYE



CDESIGNER AND SPECIAL PROJECTS EDITOR CHARLOTTE MOSS TRAVELS THE WORLD LOOKING FOR DESIGN INSPIRATION

Silk, satin, lace, and velvet—these textiles are all awakened by the stroke of the brush. Why was I attracted to this painting? It reminded me to linger—and to remember that one artist, centuries ago, sat before a canvas to capture a story and in the end told an infinite number of stories.

DETAIL OF *PORTRAIT OF MADAME ADÉLAÏDE,* C. 1787, BY

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#### MOD TOUCH

"Its sharp lines add an unexpected freshness."

AGNES CHANDELIER BY LINDSEY ADELMAN, \$4,800. ylighting.com

#### LAYER IT ON

"I love the Turkish way of using multiple rugs. It's like you're in a souk."

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EBERSON BY
DESIGNERS GUILD
IN AQUA, \$1,400
FOR 5'3" × 8'6";
burkedecor.com

#### LOW DOWN

"It evokes Morocco, and the height is perfect for sitting around on the floor."

> MOORISH BRASS TABLE, \$350 FOR 24" DIA. × 19" H. moroccanprestige.com



#### We're playing backgammon, feasting on watermelon salad, and listening to Leonard Cohen.

#### MAGICAL MIX

"The luxe combination of textiles is transporting."

FROM LEFT: KOJDA BY
MISSONI AND TAOS AND
LINLEY BY OLD WORLD
WEAVERS, stark
carpet.com. ADAMO &
EVA, dedar.com.
VARESE, designers
guild.com. ORSAY
SILK TASSEL FRINGE,
samuelandsons.com.
All available through
a designer.

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#### A NOTE OF FANTASY

"A nod to the natural world.

I fill mine with porcelain birds."

LIZZY BIRDCAGES BY IMAX, \$140 FOR TWO. wayfair.com



"The European-style daybed grounds the room's exotic elements."

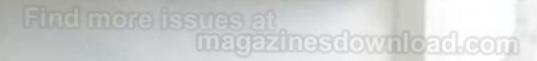
HAMISH DAYBED, \$3,900. olystudio.com



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#### ANDREA WHALEN

She describes her line of handprinted fabrics—Virginia Kraft, named for her grandmother—as "global country." The Ohio designer has a spirited boho approach that's spot-on for the season.

#### 1. A CLASSICS RIFF

A love affair with compass motifs and sunburst mirrors resulted in the Prinze pattern.

#### 2. TWO IN ONE

Dohta combines polka dots and a leaf-edged stripe and can be used as one textile or trimmed into a distinctive border.

#### 3. TREASURE SEEKER

Whalen found this vintage trim at one of the antiques shows she scours for inspiration.

#### 4. LAYER OF NUANCE

The subtle details in Bangalore work for a modern setting as well as with luxe finishes like velvet and mirror.

#### 5. GLOBAL AFFAIRS

The blocks are handcarved in India, but her fabrics are printed here.

#### 6. FRESH FLOWERS

Marigold, her graphic floral, evokes the vibe of faraway tropics.

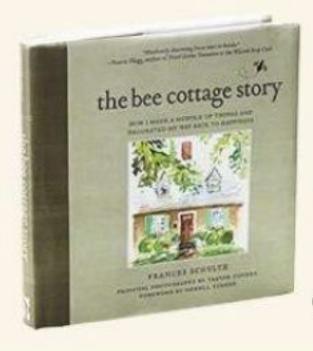




#### **DESIGN BOOK**

#### THE BEE COTTAGE STORY

A few years back, our readers were enthralled by contributing editor Frances Schultz's trans-formation of her charming summer cottage, as the story unfolded in each issue of HB (housebeautiful.com/beecottage). Now she has expanded that tale into a strikingly personal, idea-rich tome about being "saved" by a house.



The Bee Cottage Story: How I Made a Muddle of Things and Decorated My Way Back to Happiness, by Frances Schultz. Skyhorse Publishing, \$25.



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#### WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

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#### ADVERSE REACTIONS

#### **Clinical Trials Experience**

Because clinical trials are conducted under widely varying conditions, adverse reaction rates observed in the clinical trials of a drug cannot be directly compared to rates in the clinical trials of another drug and may not reflect the rates observed in practice.

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#### Post-marketing Experience

The following adverse reactions have been identified during post approval use of **RESTASIS**. Because these reactions are reported voluntarily from a population of uncertain size, it is not always possible to reliably estimate their frequency or establish a causal relationship to drug exposure.

Reported reactions have included: hypersensitivity (including eye swelling, urticaria, rare cases of severe angioedema, face swelling, tongue swelling, pharyngeal edema, and dyspnea); and superficial injury of the eye (from the vial tip touching the eye during administration).

#### USE IN SPECIFIC POPULATIONS

#### Pregnancy

#### Teratogenic Effects: Pregnancy Category C

Adverse effects were seen in reproduction studies in rats and rabbits only at dose levels toxic to dams. At toxic doses (rats at 30 mg/kg/day and rabbits at 100 mg/kg/day), cyclosporine oral solution, USP, was embryo- and fetotoxic as indicated by increased pre- and postnatal mortality and reduced fetal weight together with related skeletal retardations. These doses are 5,000 and 32,000 times greater (normalized to body surface area), respectively, than the daily human dose of one drop (approximately 28 mcL) of 0.05% RESTASIS® twice daily into each eye of a 60 kg person (0.001 mg/kg/day), assuming that the entire dose is absorbed. No evidence of embryofetal toxicity was observed in rats or rabbits receiving cyclosporine at oral doses up to 17 mg/kg/day or 30 mg/kg/day, respectively, during organogenesis. These doses in rats and rabbits are approximately 3,000 and 10,000 times greater (normalized to body surface area), respectively, than the daily human dose.

Offspring of rats receiving a 45 mg/kg/day oral dose of cyclosporine from Day 15 of pregnancy until Day 21 postpartum, a maternally toxic level, exhibited an increase in postnatal mortality; this dose is 7,000 times greater than the daily human topical dose (0.001 mg/kg/day) normalized to body surface area assuming that the entire dose is absorbed. No adverse events were observed at oral doses up to 15 mg/kg/day (2,000 times greater than the daily human dose).

There are no adequate and well-controlled studies of RESTASIS® in pregnant women. RESTASIS® should be administered to a pregnant woman only if clearly needed.

#### Nursing Mothers

Cyclosporine is known to be excreted in human milk following systemic administration, but excretion in human milk after topical treatment has not been investigated. Although blood concentrations are undetectable after topical administration of **RESTASIS**® ophthalmic emulsion, caution should be exercised when **RESTASIS**® is administered to a nursing woman.

#### Pediatric Use

The safety and efficacy of **RESTASIS**® ophthalmic emulsion have not been established in pediatric patients below the age of 16.

#### Geriatric Use

No overall difference in safety or effectiveness has been observed between elderly and younger patients.

#### NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

#### Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Carcinogenesis: Systemic carcinogenicity studies were carried out in male and female mice and rats. In the 78-week oral (diet) mouse study, at doses of 1, 4, and 16 mg/kg/day, evidence of a statistically significant trend was found for lymphocytic lymphomas in females, and the incidence of hepatocellular carcinomas in mid-dose males significantly exceeded the control value.

In the 24-month oral (diet) rat study, conducted at 0.5, 2, and 8 mg/kg/day, pancreatic islet cell adenomas significantly exceeded the control rate in the low-dose level. The hepatocellular carcinomas and pancreatic islet cell adenomas were not dose related. The low doses in mice and rats are approximately 80 times greater (normalized to body surface area) than the daily human dose of one drop (approximately 28 mcL) of 0.05% **RESTASIS**® twice daily into each eye of a 60 kg person (0.001 mg/kg/day), assuming that the entire dose is absorbed.

Mutagenesis: Cyclosporine has not been found to be mutagenic/genotoxic in the Ames Test, the V79-HGPRT Test, the micronucleus test in mice and Chinese hamsters, the chromosome-aberration tests in Chinese hamster bone-marrow, the mouse dominant lethal assay, and the DNA-repair test in sperm from treated mice. A study analyzing sister chromatid exchange (SCE) induction by cyclosporine using human lymphocytes in vitro gave indication of a positive effect (i.e., induction of SCE).

Impairment of Fertility: No impairment in fertility was demonstrated in studies in male and female rats receiving oral doses of cyclosporine up to 15 mg/kg/day (approximately 2,000 times the human daily dose of 0.001 mg/kg/day normalized to body surface area) for 9 weeks (male) and 2 weeks (female) prior to mating.

#### PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

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Advise patients to not allow the tip of the vial to touch the eye or any surface, as this may contaminate the emulsion. To avoid the potential for injury to the eye, advise patients to not touch the vial tip to their eye.

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#### LEGENDS OF LA CIENEGA

As media sponsor of the 2015 LEGENDS of La Cienega's Where Muses Dwell, House Beautiful co-hosted a cocktail party on May 8 with Stark to introduce new Editor in Chief Sophie Donelson to Los Angeles. Design enthusiasts and tastemakers enjoyed an afternoon of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in Stark's beautiful LCDQ showroom. The Hearst Design Group—HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, ELLE DECOR and VERANDA—also hosted a LCDQ cocktail party with Moore & Giles and Harbinger, where guests were treated to canapés and cocktails from celebrated "entertainologist" Lulu Powers and master mixologist Jim Meehan.

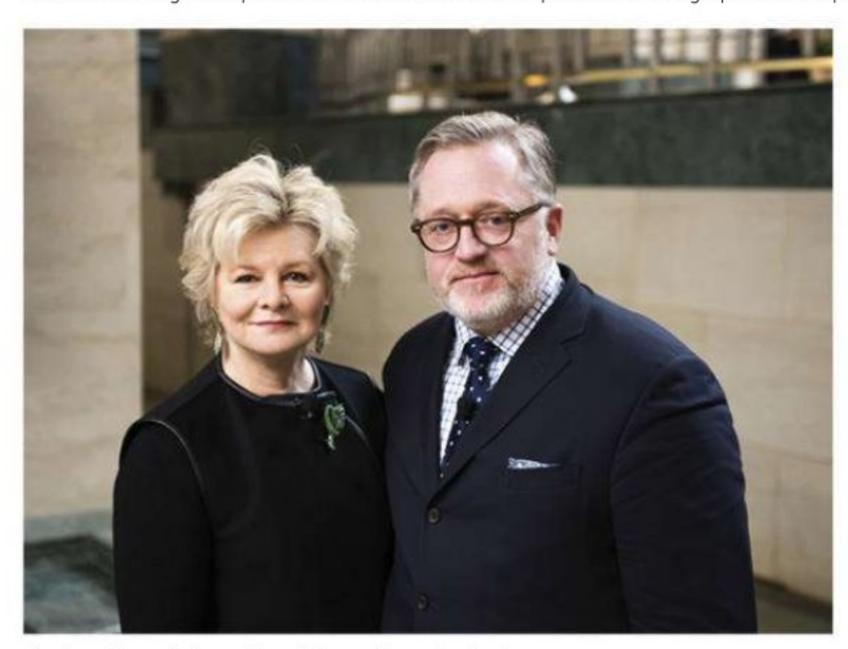


Chad Stark, Stark; Sophie Donelson, House Beautiful

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#### WASHINGTON DESIGN CENTER GRAND OPENING

On March 17, the Hearst Design Group—HOUSE BEAUTIFUL, ELLE DECOR and VERANDA—partnered with the Washington Design Center to celebrate its grand opening. Guests enjoyed a full day of keynotes, book signings and receptions with some of the industry's top editors and designers, including Newell Turner, Charlotte Moss and Michael S. Smith. The Hearst Design Group would like to thank our official sponsors for being a part of this spectacular day: Brunschwig & Fils, Cowtan & Tout, Duralee and Schumacher.



Charlotte Moss, designer; Newell Turner, Hearst Design Group



Stephen Elrod, Lee Jofa; Lisa Kravet, Kravet; Michael S. Smith, designer



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#### KITCHEN OF THE MONTH



The first thing designer SuzAnn Kletzien did to update this kitchen was move the sink across the room, over to the bright bay window, so it no longer faced a blank wall. She swapped in an island for the existing peninsula as well, but the appliances stayed put. "That way we could afford to splurge on a wine refrigerator," says Kletzien, who unified the space with gray and white—plus hits of brass.

FOR MORE CEMENT TILE STYLES, SEE PAGE 76.

Willamette pendants illuminate the island, while above the bay window (see previous page), Isaac sconces focus light on the sink. Both Schoolhouse Electric fixtures are trimmed in warm brass. Recessed lights, in combination with lights inside and under the cabinets, add to the glow.

COUNTERS AS

Absolute Black granite with a leathered finish provides a strong contrast to the pale wood on the island. Gray cabinets, painted in Benjamin Moore's Cinder, are topped with a Silestone counter in subtly veined Pulsar. "The wife is a great cook, and she wanted every surface to be durable," says Kletzien.

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TWO-IN-ONE FLOOR
Dark wood planks run from
the front door of the house
into the kitchen. But then,
in a bold, irregular diagonal (see previous page), the
floor divides. The half near
the stove, sink, and back
door is made of sturdy
cement tiles that can easily
handle spills and mud.
Tres Grises hexagonal tiles
from Mosaicos.

MIX OF METALS

Card File pulls and Mid-Century knobs made of brass, both from Schoolhouse Electric, bring in warmth and are a welcome surprise next to stainless steel appliances. The switch plates on the outlets are also done in brushed brass. As Kletzien says, "They have to be there, so why not make them more interesting to look at?" 5 OPEN SHELVES

Visible from the front door.

offer a contrast to the closed cabinets, which are fronted with opaque glass panes. The rustic wooden shelves are cantilevered

shelves are cantilevered from a backsplash made of four-inch-square White Gloss tiles from Mosaicos, set in a staggered pattern and accentuated by gunmetal-gray grout.



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Serves 8

#### FOR THE SALMON

- ½ cup olive oil, plus more for the grate
- 1 2–3 lb. skin-on wild Alaskan salmon fillet
  - Sea salt
  - Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 big handful of mixed fresh herbs (dill, fennel, chives, tarragon), chopped Juice of 1 lemon

#### FOR THE BUTTERMILK DRESSING AND SALAD GREENS

- 1 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- ½ cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup rice wine vinegar
- 1 T garlic powder
- 1 Tonion powder
- 1 T celery salt
- 2 dashes Tabasco Salt
  - Freshly ground black pepper
- ⅓ cup mixed herbs (chives, chervil, dill), chopped Assortment of salad greens
- 1. Wipe down the grate on your grill with a small amount of olive oil. Heat the grill to high or make a hot charcoal fire.
- 2. Season the salmon with sea salt and pepper. Drizzle with the olive oil and pat to rub in. Make a blanket of herbs on the fillet.
- 3. Cook the fillet skin side down with the grill closed for 5 minutes. Turn over and cook for 5 more minutes, or until just cooked through. With a long spatula, remove the fish from the grill and squeeze a little lemon juice over it.
- 4. For the dressing, whisk together the buttermilk, mayonnaise, sour cream, vinegar, garlic powder, onion powder, celery salt, Tabasco, salt, and pepper in a large bowl until combined. Stir in the herbs.
- 5. To serve, transfer the salmon to a large platter with a bowl of the buttermilk dressing and a plate of salad greens on the side.



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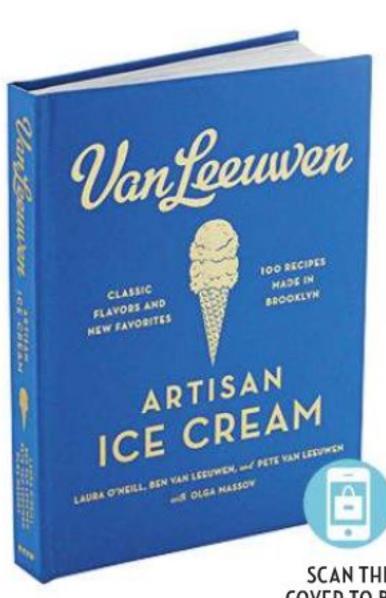
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#### BATH OF THE MONTH

# Fancy Footwork

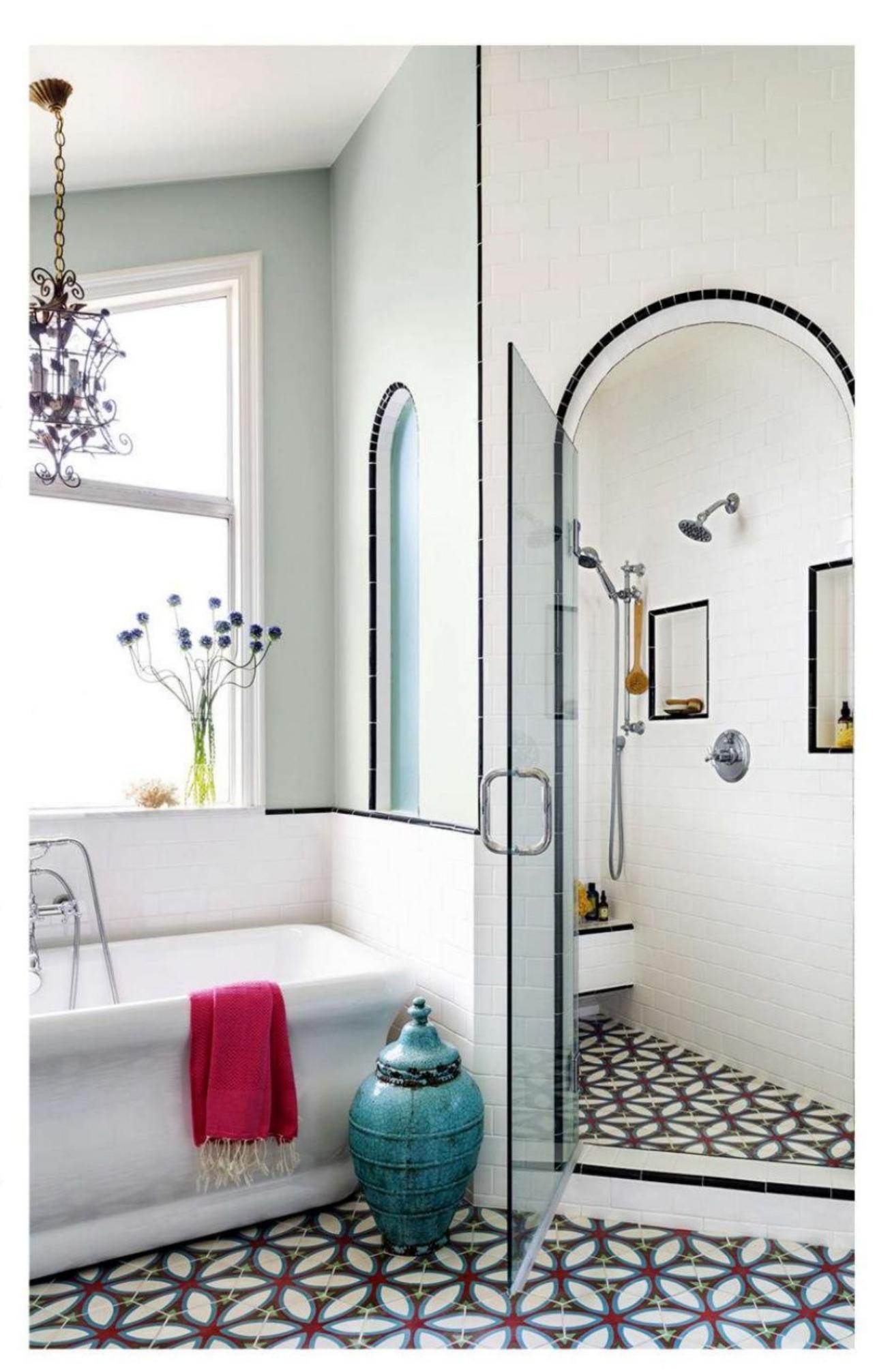
Vibrant tile adds a modern bohemian vibe to a 1970s beach house.

"EVERYTHING was so square and angular," says designer Karen Vidal, who softened the lines in this Manhattan Beach, California, bath with an arched doorway to the shower and an arched window to welcome light. Outlined in black, the white-tiled wall feels a bit Art Deco and a bit Moorish. Vidal, who owns a cement tile company called Design Vidal, picked up on the exotic theme, adding the kind of cement floor tile you might see in Spain-with one major difference. "This pattern is based on a vintage block print from India," she explains. "I like to blur boundaries."

Cement tiles are great for a bathroom floor because their textured surface has a grip to it. "It's not slippery," says Vidal. "And it's super-durable and easy to maintain. If you somehow manage to stain it, you can always sand it down—because the color is integral to the tile—and reseal it."

A freestanding tub, more architectural than a boxy built-in, looks both vintage and modern at the same time. So do the faucets on the sinks, with their black handles and strong lines. "Stylistically, it's a blended look," says Vidal. "My client calls this bathroom her oasis. It's bold but still relaxing."

RIGHT: Petalo floor tile by Design Vidal sets off a Michelangelo tub by Hydro Systems. Shower system, California Faucets. Walls in Crystalline, ceiling in Mascarpone, both by Benjamin Moore. Wall tile, Daltile. OPPOSITE: St. Germain faucets by Horus. Strand medicine cabinets, Restoration Hardware. Orbit sconces, Schoolhouse Electric.







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FROM LEFT: The zebra pattern on the dining room chairs was designed by Gregg and executed in needlepoint by her mother. Faux-bois plates, a T.J.Maxx find, bring out the warmth of the wood table by Elizabeth Stuart Design.

OPPOSITE: Living room bookshelves offer another spot for Gregg to display objects and mementos.

BARBARA KING: You've really got a knack for living large in a small space.

JANET GREGG: I so do! That wasn't my intention, although it has evolved that way. It's decorated in a big, bold, maximalist way, and why not? This is a tiny house, but I didn't feel I had to simplify or tone it down. I never want to think there's nothing more I can do. That would be a hard place for me to be, with all the energy and ideas I have. I love to decorate and collect, and I've just kept happily adding and layering.

# But you do have to know when to stop, right? Where do you draw the line?

I also subtract, of course—I mean, you have to. Otherwise it looks like you're an eccentric hoarder. I grow out of certain things after a while, so I'm forever taking stuff to Goodwill. And I try to only display objects of interest, often with a sculptural aspect, and not just a hodgepodge of dust collectors.

Objects of interest could just as well describe

# Objects of interest could just as well describe your jewelry collection.

True. Most of my designs are on the larger side—I don't do small-scale or sweet. My jewelry makes a statement. Like my decorating, it's about putting together random parts—textures, colors, shapes—in a compelling manner. I'm not constrained by rules. I just do what I want and combine elements that I enjoy looking at. I'll put anything with anything if it tells a good story. My house is more than 250 years old, and it never occurred to me that I had to pay homage to historic colors, Colonial antiques, that kind of thing. It's a highly personalized expression of me and my passions.

# What was first and foremost on your mind when you decorated?

Honestly, almost everything, from the furniture placement to the general ambience, was inspired by my love of entertaining, which I do constantly. It was like staging a set. I wanted it to be warm and welcoming, a place to be shared and enjoyed. All the chairs are portable—there's no hulking armchair and ottoman because I wouldn't be able to move them around. Flow is hugely important. I often have seated dinners for 24 people, and I've crammed in 50 for cocktails.

# How do you manage all that in only 1,200 square feet?

I just make it happen. One of the best things I came up with is putting a full bar, complete with a bartender, in my bedroom to accommodate a crowd. For large dinner parties, I have three tables set up—the dining table plus two folding tables from Target. It's amazing what's possible in a small space if you go outside the box and think in inventive ways. I even went to a lumberyard once for a piece of plywood that I plopped down on a table to extend the length. I covered it with a tablecloth, and voilà! It worked perfectly.

# I'm particularly struck by how clever you are with paint. Can you explain how you achieved those striking effects on your walls?

I adore doing walls—I always want them looking luscious. For the living room, I got two shades of beige, one light, one a bit darker. I mixed one-third paint, one-third water, and one-third glaze, then took two

rags that I tore from an old T-shirt and rubbed on first one color, then the other, in circular motions. That produced a wonderful leathery finish. I painted the dining room deep brown a few inches at a

time, then I dragged the raw edges of cardboard that I ripped from shipping boxes up and down to impart a textured look, like thick grass cloth. The trees in the bedroom were a spontaneous gesture. I was giving a big party, so I said to my assistant, "OK, we only have one day—we're going to do it freehand, and we'll just have to do our best." And we did. I think it looks fantastic. What effect were you going for when you

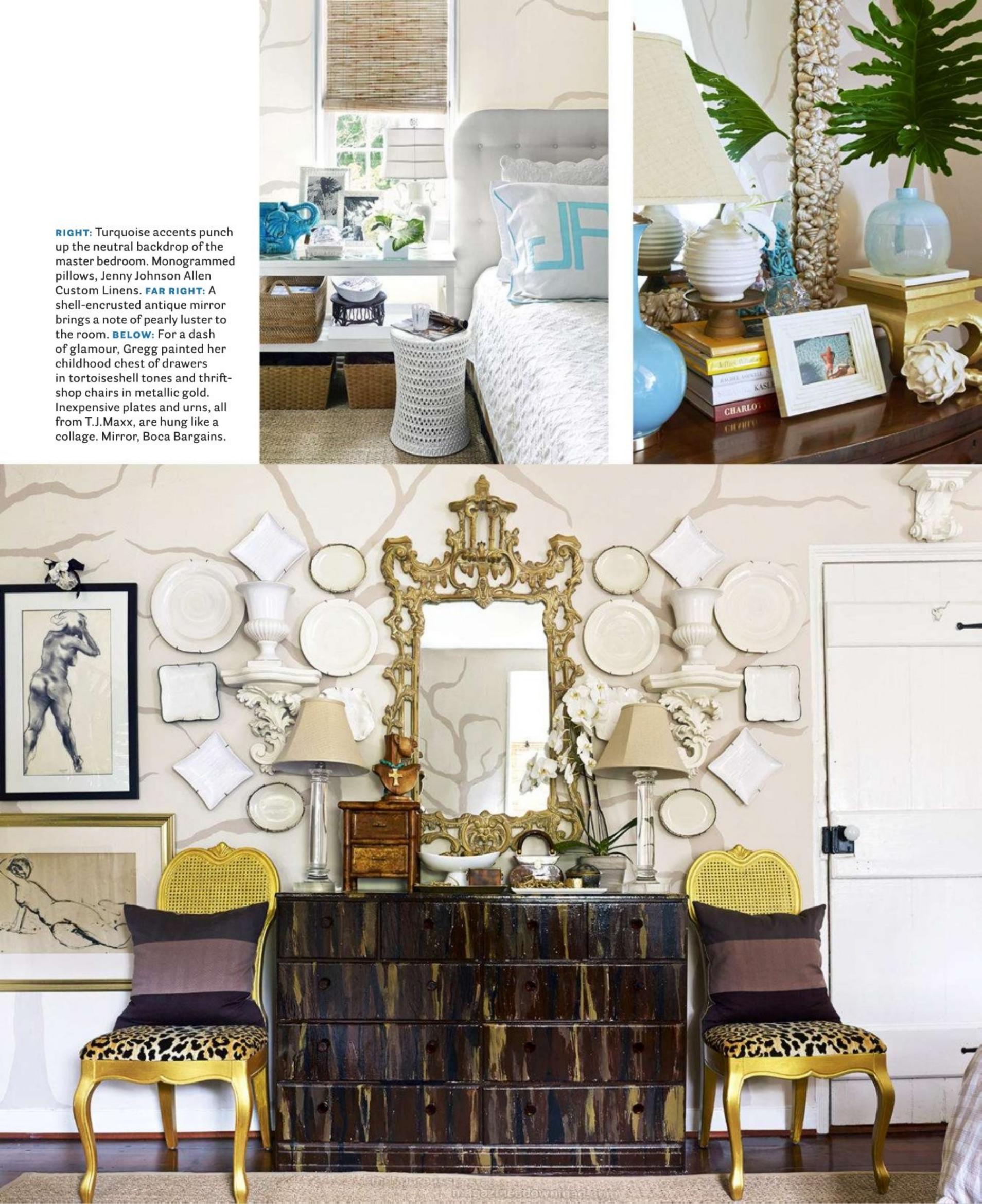
It was inspired by a fabulous coffee table I had seen with a tortoiseshell finish, but I wasn't clever enough to pull that off. So I devised my own loose version by dipping brushes in cans of black, brown, and yellow paint and dripping them down. After it dried, I shellacked it. I'm crazy about painted furniture. It's a great way to give new life to old pieces, but you have to be careful not to make it look too homespun. Ienvy your can-do attitude.

painted the bedroom bureau?

There are so many interior designers who are insanely talented, but I revel in the doit-yourself approach. It makes creating a home that much more personal and interesting. And you don't have to spend a fortune to be stylish—I'm an avid fan of thrift shops and flea markets.

# Do you ever fantasize about living in a bigger space?

I don't want to sound like I'm flattering myself, but I live with my glass half full. I don't ever say, Oh, I wish I had more square footage. I have what I want and what I need, and it's lovely and gratifying to be where I am. My divine little house is a blessing.









ABOVE: The designer handpainted the large-scale tree
pattern on the walls of her
bedroom. The silvery finishes
of a bureau and stool help
bounce light around the space.
Bed, GDC Home. FAR LEFT: An
artful seating arrangement
surrounds the bedroom fireplace. Rug, GDC Home. Vintage
ottoman. LEFT: Gregg stands
inside Chippendale-style garden
gates that were designed and
built by her father.







A SMALL STUDIO RENTAL DOESN'T STOP DESIGNER MAX SINSTEDEN FROM LIVING GRANDLY—EVEN IF IT MEANS PUTTING THE BAR IN THE BEDROOM.







**BELOW:** Curtains in an unlined Claremont silk check dress up the apartment's original casement windows. **RIGHT:** Sinsteden, a self-professed clotheshorse, finds room for his fashion and decorating passions.





# "I NEVER EXPECTED TO HAVE A BEIGE LIVING ROOM. BUT IN A SMALL SPACE, I WANTED THE RELIEF OF NOT BEING INUNDATED BY COLOR."

**DOUGLAS BRENNER**: Did you know that the first house Elsie de Wolfe ever decorated is right down the street?

MAX SINSTEDEN: Strangely, when the rental agent showed me this studio apartment, it sort of echoed de Wolfe's famous line, "I believe in plenty of optimism and white paint." Everything was white—walls, carpet, sofa, and bed—not at all to my taste. I'm a fan of old-school decorating with many textures, patterns, and colors. But the whiteness here made it easy to see the potential in the 1929 details, such as these arches and the amazing steel windows that bring in wonderful light. And yet the most unusual curtains here don't hang on the windows.

My pet peeve with studios is that, from the moment you walk in, you stare at the bed—even when you have a proper entry hall like mine. Dividing the main space with floor-to-ceiling curtains created the effect of two

rooms with different identities, especially since I matched the solid fabric on the front to the cream-colored paint in the living area and continued the fine stripe on the back onto the padded bedroom walls. To complete the illusion, this big framed photograph looks as if it's mounted on the curtain wall. In fact, it hangs from almost invisible wires attached to a ceiling track. Are there advantages to having a flexible bedroom wall?

For sleeping in on a Saturday, when it's nice to be totally enveloped, I'll close the curtains. But for parties I often open them all the way, so people are free to move around. Friends love the bar in the bedroom. And someone's always sitting on the bed. Without a curtain behind it, the huge picture frame seems to float in midair, which is very cool. After I first moved in—with nothing but piles of books, an air mattress, and a few lamps—I had parties for 40. Now

that the apartment has filled up with furniture, objects, and art, the number of invites has decreased.

How does a 27-year-old amass a collection that someone twice his age might envy? I am an avid buyer and a frequent flyer. When I lived in London, where Catherine Olasky and I started our business before coming back to the United States, we often went to antiques fairs. We both like what we call "brown furniture," and given that it's been out of fashion, we got many pieces over there for great prices—things that are classic and multifunctional and will last forever. The campaign chest inside my closet is only 11 inches deep, which is very useful for a space-challenged clotheshorse. The Regency table serves as my breakfast table, my dining table, my desk, and a place to stack more books. Catherine likes to joke that coffee table books are my idea of airplane reading.





LEFT: A Regency table is set with antique majolica and flatware from Sinsteden's father, an expert in Irish silver. The Cecil Beaton painting once belonged to Brooke Astor. ABOVE: Inside the closet, a slender campaign chest stands amid shelving by Alternative Closet Company.

As a collector, you seem particularly drawn to photography.

A photograph makes a crisp, cool, luminous impact on any interior. It brings a traditional room in touch with our time, or it opens a view into some other reality. My father gave me this Cecil Beaton photo negative of Audrey Hepburn. The large photograph above that sofa, by my friend Read McKendree, transports me to a beach on Nantucket that I knew well as a child. Speaking of sofas, why did you put two into a studio apartment?

I tell clients, "Invest in a great seven-foot sofa! It will take you through your whole life." Well, this place is just too tight for that. I'd brought back antique chairs from England, but I didn't have any upholstery. So I had this pair of love seats made—with the idea that someday, somewhere, I'll have a fireplace they can flank, and a full-size sofa in another part of the room. When I

have people over now, each love seat is cozy for two, and anyone else pulls up a chair. And there are so many to choose from! They have such different personalities and origins. I'm fascinated to see which people fit into which ones—not physically, but mentally. I'll think, Aha, this person is uncomfortable sitting low to the ground. That one needs arms to lean on. It's part of being constantly informed as a decorator. Given your adventurous taste, the rather neutral color palette here is a bit surprising. I never expected to have a beige living room. But in a small space like this—and with the mélange of stuff I had to put in it-I wanted the relief of not being inundated by color. I kept a smooth, creamy tone going through the walls, the fabrics, the carpet, and the lamps to tie things together. Actually, everything is one of three colors. It's just that they're subtle iterations of similar shades. Rather than

going broad in color, this scheme goes deep into various materials and patterns. As Charlotte Moss taught me when I worked for her, layering more decorating in a small space can be so effective.

What inspired the emphatic green in the hall? At first, I had the painter do it in a chic stone color, but that looked depressingly mousy against the cream of the living room. I've always loved green, so off we went, and this mineral shade that looks like malachite gives the hall its own distinct character. A glossy finish, I decided, would bring light into the windowless space, yet the old, uneven plasterwork concerned me. We are so used to having painters sand for ages to produce mirror-smooth walls, but I wasn't about to spend the money to do that in a rental. And it turns out the irregular surface just sparkles all the more. That was another fun lesson in the never-ending education of a decorator!















# LISA CREGAN: You've got such bold, vivacious style. Do you think fearlessness is an acquired skill, or is that just who you are?

ELIZABETH PYNE: It runs in the family. I'm so proud to be the third generation of designers at McMillen, Inc. My late grandmother Betty Sherrill was the longtime chairman. She had such a cheerful, happy aesthetic, and I'm a little like her. The pair of elephant vases in the entry are very much in her spirit because they bring out the acid green in the wallpaper, but they also make you smile. McMillen is America's oldest decorating firm, and that makes people think we're so traditional. It drives me crazy! We've always been innovative—Jackson Pollock met Lee Krasner at one of our openings, and we staged Willem de Kooning's first gallery show. My mom, Ann Pyne, is McMillen's president, and her style is more cerebral. She keeps me focused on quality. But this apartment truly reflects my clients—the wife's favorite color is aqua. And boy, did you take that to heart.

Aqua is such an amazing color: blue, green, and yellow all at the same time. What's great about small apartments is you can create a wholly enveloping experience with one consistent color thread. But to do that, you have to be bold! This one-bedroom apartment overlooks a busy Manhattan street, yet inside it is its own fantastical environment of color and pattern—it's selfcontained, like a nest. It's on the sixth floor in a building that gets lots of sunlight, and my mother always says light rooms should be light and dark rooms dark. Aqua is bright, but it's also peaceful and spa-like, perfect for a pied-à-terre owned by a Connecticut couple with grown children. What leads a mature couple from the suburbs to ask a 34-year-old to decorate their apartment?

A blind date with their son! As it turned out, neither of us felt a romantic connection, but he thinks I'm a good designer and now he recommends me. I worked in the Old Master Paintings department at Sotheby's before joining McMillen, and this was my first major design project. I think my clients knew they were taking a chance, but we've become great friends. It's a good lesson—always go on the date! You never know what will happen.

I certainly didn't expect this wallpaper to happen when I opened the front door.
I think of this chinoiserie wallpaper the



ABOVE: In the diminutive bedroom, antique bird prints, Matouk linens, and Christopher Spitzmiller's Aurora lamp subtly stand out from walls painted in Benjamin Moore's Snow Angel. The custom headboard is upholstered in Thibaut's Hampton Ponds.

way I think of a Watteau painting—a fête galante, a little escape hidden in a room. I've always been a daydreamer, and when I was a child I'd lie in bed and look at the pattern of my wallpaper, run my hand along its contours, and let my mind go places. Painted walls can't do that. I love how the pagodas and curlicues hold your interest as soon as you walk in. The Venetian mirrored chest reflects sunlight from the windows across the room. I also chose that piece because it's strong enough to hold its own with the wallpaper.

#### And is there a bird lover here?

The fabric on this pair of chairs is one of my favorites. It's hand-painted, which gives it a wonderful naïveté. Plus the birds are so cute, and I often try to choose things that are upbeat and happy. The subway can be frustrating, and people on the street can be difficult, so your apartment should make up for that. My client liked the birds so much, she carried them through to the antique prints in the bedroom. But to make sure things didn't get too sweet, we used a strong graphic print at the windows, made the sofa a solid block of blue, and added this

dark rug for gravitas. The living room can take a lot of pattern, but in the tiny bedroom we did the head-board and window treatments in the same print for balance and calm.

#### This dark teal on the back of the bookcases really shows off aqua's masculine side.

That took a long time to get right. We started out light, and as we experimented, it kept getting darker and darker. We wanted it to have impact, and we were surprised at how dark we needed to go. The final shade came out of that striped pillow on the sofa. We set it off with white coral and German porcelain for modernity, the

rary silhouetted against a blue sky. Aqua and white look great together. I used that combination everywhere here; cream wouldn't have been crisp enough. You're a New Yorker with a pint-sized place of your own. Any tips for small-space dwellers? See how these living room chairs have smallish arms? Most of their square footage is given to the seat, so you can curl up in them. They feel luxurious and roomy even though they're not big. And the tall table between the armchairs is all about being able to entertain in a tight space. Instead of some sewing circle where four people are forced to talk to one another, the two people at the chairs can put their drinks down on the table and have a private conversation. And the chair in the bedroom has a curved back so it can tuck

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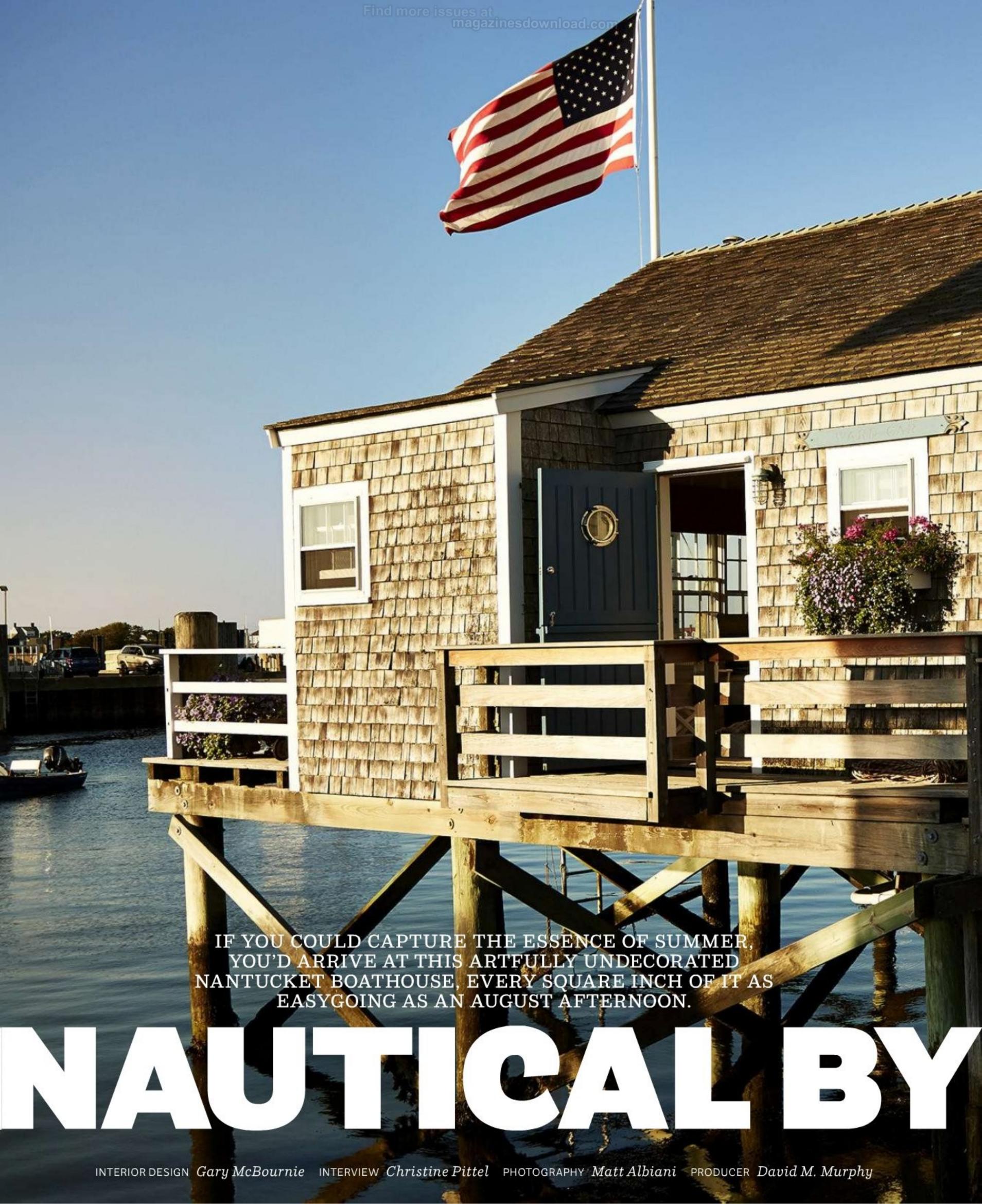
#### You obviously adored your grandmother. Is there something here that especially reminds you of her?

into the corner. A square back would take

up a lot more space.

It's a small thing—the twisted black candles on the mantel. They were one of my grandmother's signatures, and my family has them everywhere. They're kind of amusing, so she would put them in silver candleholders to make a room feel more approachable. She was so lighthearted; she just wanted everyone to be comfortable and have fun. I'm still really inspired by her.













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CHRISTINE PITTEL: What is this place? It's the perfect summer fantasy—a house perched practically in the water.

GARY McBOURNIE: It's a Nantucket wharf cottage, built around 1900 or so, although it's been reconstructed a few times after storms. It's a simple utilitarian structure, basically one big room with a kitchen, a bathroom, a small bedroom, and a loft where the sailing equipment is stored. It looks like the closest you can get to living on a boat.

When you're sitting inside with all the windows and doors open to the breeze, the salt air and the mist come in, and you really feel as if you're out on the ocean. Boats are sailing by just a few feet away, and it seems as if you're moving as well. At high tide, you can hear the waves slapping against the bottom of the floorboards. Who lives here?

Well, this is really about fun. My clients live in a house in town, and they use this cottage as a launch pad for their boat. It's a place to hang out before or after they go sailing. They've given wonderful parties here after a race, and sometimes the crew will use it as their sleeping quarters. Imagine sitting out on the deck with a vodka tonic in the golden afternoon light, with the flags flapping in the wind and the clouds turning pink and purple as the sun sets. You'll fall in love with the place.

As far as decoration goes, it doesn't look as if you did all that much.

That's exactly the effect we were after.

I grew up by the water in Maine, and I love the whole summer-cottage vernacular.

Here, the walls are made of basic beadboard—no Sheetrock, no wallpaper—just painted white. It's my special formula—50 percent Super White and 50 percent White Dove, both by Benjamin Moore, in semi-gloss so you can wipe it down.

It's just a really nice, soft white, not too creamy and not too gray, and it always works. It has become my security blanket.

White paint and polished wood—it even looks a little like an old sailboat.

What I like about sailboats is that mix of the rustic and the refined. And that's something you see in all my design work: I'm always playing with rough against smooth, burlap against silk. But here I didn't want too much polish. The pine floor had to be replaced after the house was flooded with water in the hurricane of 1992. It

looked too new, and the varnish was too orange, so we sanded the floor and ceiling and brushed them with multiple layers of a whitewash that's almost transparent. You can still see all the knots and imperfections. I didn't want to paint everything white and lose the contrast created by the natural wood. It draws your eye up to the ceiling, which is about 14 feet high at its peak. That high ceiling makes a small house feel so much bigger. The matchstick blinds then create a connection between the ceiling and the floor. If everything had been painted white, the room would have lost a lot of depth.

#### Where do you look for furniture?

Most of what's in the cottage came from the island. I try to buy locally as much as I can. I'll go to antiques shops, auctions, estate sales. The clients already owned the armchair in the living room, and I had it slipcovered in a ticking stripe. Upholstering it would have looked too finished. The cushions on the banquette are covered in polished cotton duck, blue as the sky. Blue just blends right into this environment. The only thing better than blue and white is blue and sand, and that's the palette. Did you add the wood-burning stove?

No, that was always there. At one point, I considered replacing it with one of those elegant cone-shaped Swedish stoves, but then I thought, No, leave it the way it is. If you gussy up a place too much, you lose its character. The bedroom looks exactly like the one I would have slept in as a kid in my grandma's house in Maine—undone and unpretentious. The galley kitchen is small, but that's the way I like it. After all, how many sets of china do you really need?

That's what I find so hard to do—pare down. It's a challenge. Of course, it also helps to have plenty of storage. The drawers in the banquette hold the Internet router and the printer, and that drop-leaf table doubles as a desk. I actually prefer living in a small house, as long as I have one decent-sized room. It just puts its arms around you and makes you feel at home.

LEFT: Extra dinner guests can squeeze onto the banquette. Cushions in Manuel Canovas's Cotton Club II, with pillows in Peter Fasano's Captiva fabric. Director's chairs from Marine Home Center move anywhere. Tole lantern from Val Maitino Antiques. John Robshaw striped throw.



ABOVE LEFT: A handwoven Nantucket basket is a traditional touch in the kitchen. ABOVE RIGHT: The stocked South Seas bar cart by Serena & Lily brings the party outdoors. BELOW LEFT: The house is sometimes used by the sailing crew. BELOW RIGHT: McBournie rebuilt the kitchen around the existing Aga stove. He painted the cabinets in his favorite custom white and slathered the wood countertops in several coats of polyurethane. "I wanted it to resemble the galley on a boat," he explains. The porthole windows in the cabinet over the stove were added just for fun. "Why not?" he says. The ladder leads to the loft area.







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