



HOUSTON
▲ LUCAS/EILERS DESIGN ASSOCIATES

Designed for Houston homeowners who desired a haven for relaxation, this residence is an inviting blend of organic elements—like reclaimed-oak floors and beams—contrasted with cozy materials and textures. A restful palette, comfortable traditional furnishings, family heirlooms and contemporary art enhance the light and airy feel.



MIAMI
◀ FANNY HAIM & ASSOCIATES

The Château Beach Residences, an oceanfront luxury high-rise in Miami, features monumental common areas. Here, the challenge was overcome with limestone-inlaid Calacatta Gold marble floors and a bright white palette accented with sapele wood and stainless steel. The result: a tailored yet timeless design, reminiscent of a sleek ocean liner.



ARIZONA
▲ OWNBY DESIGN

Sturdy stone embellishments, a neutral palette and dark wood trusses casually counter the formality of this Chandler, Arizona, home's Mediterranean-style architecture. A growing family called for fabrics that emphasize practicality.



COLORADO
◀ DUET DESIGN GROUP

The integrity of this historic Denver abode was preserved by a sensitive renovation that concentrated on the addition of architectural details. Appropriately sized and styled double-hung windows, discreet crown molding and neoclassical casing around doors are a few of the elements that add elegance to this eclectic bathroom.

AUSTIN + SAN ANTONIO
▼ MARTHA O'HARA INTERIORS

Simple, flexible spaces and an informal indoor-outdoor flow make the architecture of this Minneapolis house as easygoing as its interiors, which showcase playfully preppy and soothing coastal accents. Vibrant textiles and a liberal use of greens and blues animate the neutral backdrop. A pair of pendants add a contemporary edge.



BROWARD | PALM BEACH
▲ GIL WALSH INTERIORS

Although the locale is coastal and laid-back, this Key Largo dwelling was given an aura of casual luxury through approachable high design. The gray palette offers a tranquil setting for traditional furnishings upholstered in luxurious fabrics to coexist with new sophisticated pieces. Jewel-toned accents inspired by the homeowners' artwork provide pops of color.

PROMOTION

THE ART of the DINNER PARTY

THE PLAYBOOK FOR HOSTING A MEMORABLE DINNER PARTY IS SIMPLE: ACT LESS LIKE A HOST AND MORE LIKE A GUEST. KEEP THINGS UNENCUMBERED, PREP AHEAD AND RELAX INTO A FUN-LOVING FÊTE.



PHOTO: ANTOINE BOOTZ. DESIGNED BY ALEX PAPACHRISTIDIS.

- MENU-PLAN AROUND THE CULTURE OF REAL FOOD:** Embrace the notions of simplicity, authenticity and locally grown ingredients enjoyed at their peak. Dishes should ideally contain two to three flavors so you can taste the different elements.
- BE THOUGHTFUL ABOUT LIGHTING:** Dim bulbs and let candles set the ambience. A mix of round votives, pillar candles and taper candles—lit at different intervals 20 minutes before guests arrive—ensures they burn at various heights.
- FORAGE FOR FLORALS:** Skip fancy arrangements and go for an unexpected look. Cut your own flowers, greenery and branches, and arrange them in unusual vessels.
- CURATE YOUR TABLESCAPE:** Mix and match for an interesting vibe. Pair a solid-colored charger with a dinner plate that has a fun pattern, and work in vintage utensils, which will also help bring a sense of culture and history to the proceedings.
- GUESTS WILL WANT WINE, BUT DO ALSO PLAN TO GREET THEM WITH A SPECIAL DRINK:** A welcome self-serve tequila cart or champagne bar poised at the entrance of your home makes for a bit of whimsy and sets the mood for what's to come.



NEW YORK
▲ **LICHTEN CRAIG**
ARCHITECTURE + INTERIORS

Refined glamour prevails in this expansive New York apartment, where a series of rooms facing Central Park were opened up and united via a double-sided fireplace, mirrored French doors and a palette of black, camel, cream, red and gold. Chandeliers of rock crystal and nearby windows invite light to dance around the lacquered ceiling.

DALLAS + FORT WORTH
LAURA LEE CLARK
INTERIOR DESIGN, INC. ▶

Distinctive spaces that flow seamlessly are a highlight of this fresh take on a traditional Dallas residence. Pleasingly proportioned rooms deftly combine structured design with extravagant details, including a plaster ceiling of classical motifs, architectural niches, luxurious fabrics, antique rugs and French limestone floors.



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ORANGE COUNTY | SAN DIEGO
▲ **DENISE MORRISON INTERIORS**

Custom-designed tiles depicting navy-and-turquoise motifs are a recurring design element in this classic Spanish Colonial-style home in Coto de Caza, California. Contrast came by way of neutral-toned walls and floors. Large-scale, Spanish-inspired iron light fixtures and bold geometrically patterned textiles throughout ensure consistency.



PACIFIC NORTHWEST
LUCAS DESIGN ASSOCIATES ▶

Overlooking an orchard and offering spectacular views of the lush Pacific Northwest landscape, this house in Bellevue, Washington, was intended as an ideal escape from hectic daily life. Classical architectural details, natural materials, contemporary art and ethnic accents combine easily with bright tones chosen as a deliberate counterpoint to the often-gray environs.



SAN FRANCISCO
◀ **JENNIFER ROBIN INTERIORS**

This Napa, California, dwelling honors indoor-outdoor ranch living with a rustic interior that effortlessly melds industrial and elegant elements. Local craftsmen and reclaimed materials were emphasized throughout, resulting in custom interior plaster, stain and metalwork as well as furnishings of reclaimed wood from a 200-year-old barn formerly on the property.

CHICAGO
BRUCE FOX DESIGN ▶

Antique and custom seating upholstered in sumptuous fabrics, classic French furniture and mirrored, metallic and high-gloss wall treatments all lend an air of modern elegance to this Chicago penthouse. Stately columns and lively abstract art heighten the drama.



LOS ANGELES
◀ **JILL WOLFF INTERIOR DESIGN**

This expansive, open-plan abode in Pacific Palisades, California, has all the elements of a great family compound. Highlights include a game room, a media/screening room, two family rooms (one just for the children) and a club lounge with a wet bar. The classic decor boasts wood floors and cabinetry, coffered ceilings and leather-clad furnishings.