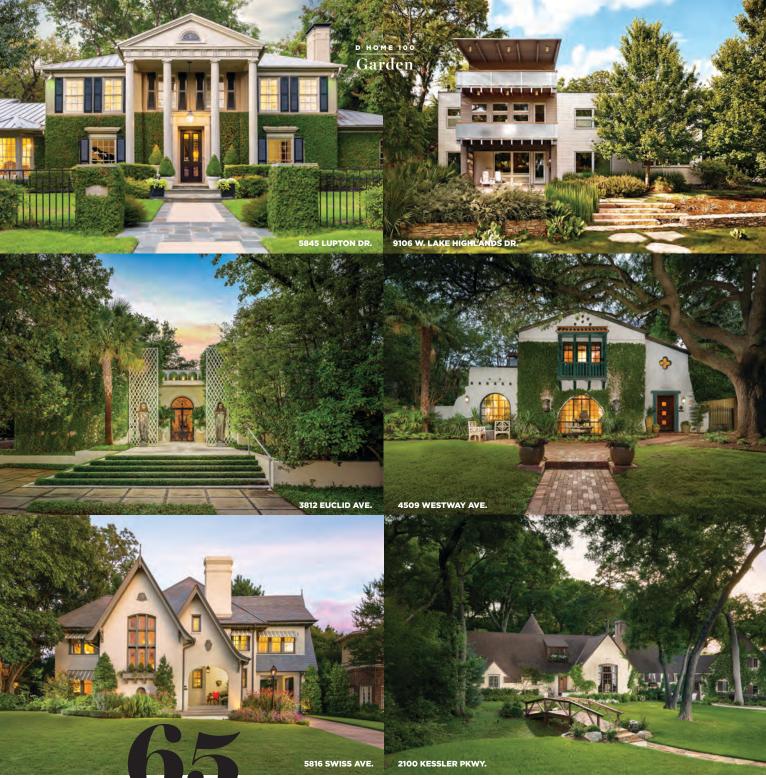
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IT'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOU THINK. HERE ARE SIX OF OUR FAVORITES AROUND TOWN.

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"Househunting is like dating: homeowners are searching online. If you don't have beautiful curb appeal, they will swipe left!"

DENISE McGAHA, DENISE McGAHA INTERIORS

Built-in Wolf countertop steamer/pasta maker. Acts as a slow cooker, too! KIM McCUE. CYPRESS DESIGNS

TOTO NEOREST TOILETS.

SARA SEE, SEES DESIGN

TOTO 750H DUAL-FLUSH TOILET

Lutron light on/off buttons on bedside tables—so you don't have to reach up soooooo far to turn the lamp off!

JOHN PHIFER MARRS, JOHN PHIFER MARRS INTERIORS

MOTORIZED SCREENS FOR OUTDOOR LIVING.

TOMMY GARRETT, GARRETT BROTHERS

Temperature-controlled outdoor spaces. With the hot summer, air-conditioned outdoor spaces offer comfort and wow factor!

CHAD BROZOVICH, CJB HOMES

TVs in mirrors in bathrooms.

JAN SHOWERS, JAN SHOWERS & ASSOCIATES

SMART HOME TECHNOLOGY; IPHONE/IPAD DRIVEN. DENNIS MULLINIX, MULLINIX CUSTOM HOMES

Two-sided hamper connecting master closets to laundry. EDDIE MAESTRI. MAESTRI STUDIO

HACKS **FOR YOUR** HOME

We asked builders and designers what conveniences they've installed in their recent designs.

Motorized drapery or Roman shades, so you never have to leave your bed to darken or lighten your bedroom.

DENISE McGAHA, DENISE McGAHA INTERIORS

WINE-GLASS WASHER OR TWO ICE MAKERS FOR DIFFERENT-SIZE ICE.

PAUL DRAPER, PAUL DRAPER + ASSOCIATES



ARTIFICIAL TURF (LESS MAINTENANCE; BEAUTIFUL YEAR-ROUND; NO MUD; LESS MOSQUITOES)

CHRIS DAUWE. ROSEWOOD CUSTOM BUILDERS

LIGHTED CLOSET RODS.

BARRY WILLIAMS, WILLIAMS DESIGN

Heated, air-conditioned doghouses. It changes the whole concept of being "in the doghouse."

> MICHELLE NUSSBAUMER, CEYLON ET CIE

Ironing boards that fold away into laundry room cabinetry. The perfect solution to maintain easy access without the eyesore of $a\ stand ext{-}alone\ board.$

BEN COATS, COATS HOMES



KOHLER BECKON PULL-DOWN TOUCHLESS KITCHEN FAUCET

PRESET DIGITAL **TEMPERATURE CONTROLS ON** SHOWERS AND TUBS.

STEPHEN DUNN, STEPHEN DUNN DESIGNS

Coffee station or refrigerator drawers for cosmetics in the master bath.

CAROLINA GENTRY, PULP DESIGN STUDIOS



NEST VIDEO DOORBELL.

SAMANTHA FISHER, SAMANTHA FISHER INTERIOR DESIGN

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Little Luxuries

DESIGNERS SHARE THE EVERYDAY INDULGENCES
THEY LOVE TO SPLURGE ON.



Etched-crystal cordial glasses that make that final touch of any dinner party memorable.

MARIEL STREET



A beautiful small piece of porcelain, such as Rose Medallion or Imari, or a simple blue-and-white plate.

JOHN PHIFER MARRS



Notecards or notepads with beautiful calligraphy. Personalized stationery and especially letterpress cards is the best luxury of all.

DENISE McGAHA



Aesop hand soap.

PAUL DRAPER



The Italian-made leather Giobagnara fireplace lighter from Ellis Hill.

BETTY LOU PHILLIPS



A comfy cashmere throw. It's perfect to snuggle with and always looks great draped over a chair.

CAROLINA V. GENTRY



A beautiful tote filled with luxury bath items. STEPHEN DUNN



Great sheets and bedding. Mine are Matouk linens.

CYNTHIA COLLINS



A little box of the most amazing handmade macarons from We the Birds.

PAM KELLEY

(left to right from top) Baccarat "Massena" red wine glass, \$180/Neiman Marcus; resurrection aromatique hand wash, \$39/Aesop; eye mask, thermometer, brush, shoe horn, pumice stone, and toothbrush, \$8-\$115/Waterworks; Japanese handpainted porcelain charger, \$6,500/1stDibs; Giobagnara lighter, \$145/Ellis Hill; "Bel Trompo" pillowcases, \$135 for two/Casa di Lino; ginger jar boxed stationery, \$60 for 12/Bell'Invito; border reversible cashmere throw, \$299/Williams Sonoma; blue-and-white china macarons, \$4 each/We the Birds

D HOME 100 Design

Start with a beautiful rug, as large as you can fit, to ground the room.

CHERI ETCHELECU INTERIOR DESIGN

Don't purchase the wrong-size rug for your space. A rug that is too small makes the entire room look like an afterthought. ABBE FENIMORE, STUDIO TEN 25

DO GO SLOW AND BUY THE BEST YOU CAN AFFORD, SUCH AS A FINE **RUG OR A GREAT PAINTING. LEAVE A** WALL BLANK UNTIL YOU FIND JUST THE RIGHT THING.

JOHN PHIFER MARRS, JOHN PHIFER MARRS INC.

Don't design spaces that will go unused.

PAUL DRAPER, PAUL DRAPER + ASSOCIATES

DESIGN AND DRAW SPACES BEFORE PURCHASING ANYTHING. HAVE A PLAN!

CHERYL VAN DUYNE, CVD INTERIOR DESIGN

Make your home livable and functional, but don't forget to add things you love that make your home a reflection of your personality.

CAROLINA V. GENTRY, PULP DESIGN STUDIOS

Do not order furniture without measuring and laying it out to scale in your space.

JEN MAULDIN, MAULDIN DESIGNS



words of wisdom.

LET THE

ARCHITECTURE

TAKE THE LEAD.

PAM KELLEY, PAM KELLEY DESIGNS

Include lots of windows. Natural light is key to happy and healthy living.

MICHAEL TURNER.

DON'T SLAVISHLY ADHERE TO A PHOTO.

BARRY WILLIAMS, WILLIAMS DESIGN

Mix personal pieces with new and custom, vintage and antiques.

CARRIE HATFIELD, CARRIE HATFIELD INTERIOR DESIGN

Use as many antiques as reproductions. There's no substitute for the soulfulness they can add to a space.

SARA SEE, SEES DESIGN

Buy well-made upholstery. The items may be more expensive on the front end, but you will never regret buying high quality. You will keep them much longer

> and can always reupholster. LISA HENDERSON,

USE CUSTOM WINDOW COVERINGS, READY-MADE **CURTAINS ALWAYS** LOOK OFF.

SAMANTHA FISHER. SAMANTHA FISHER INTERIOR DESIGN

PLAN FOR GREAT LIGHTING BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE.

STEPHEN DUNN, STEPHEN DUNN DESIGNS

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LAYER EVERYTHING—PATTERNS. FINISHES, LIGHTING, ART, PILLOWS THE ABILITY TO LAYER IS KEY.

JANELLE BURNS. MAESTRI STUDIO

Freshen up your pillows and throws each season in main living areas. It can completely change the look of a room without breaking the bank.

DENISE McGAHA,

INCORPORATE SYMMETRY.

TODD SHADDOCK, SHADDOCK CALDWELL

NO FAKE FLOORING.

SUSAN NEWELL, SUSAN NEWELL CUSTOM HOMES

Always think of the sightlines through a space and take advantage of maximizing and strategically placing windows.

EDDIE MAESTRI, MAESTRI STUDIO

DON'T LISTEN TO TOO MANY PEOPLE.

MICHELLE NUSSBAUMER, CEYLON ET CIE

Don't do the same thing twice.

TODD SHADDOCK, SHADDOCK CALDWELL

Don't buy art just because it

matches your pillows. Complementary

color will take you much further in

layering your space. Art can be all

different types of medium. It doesn't

always have to be a painting.

Eye-level lighting is the most important element in making humans look their best.

> JAN SHOWERS, JAN SHOWERS & ASSOCIATES

DON'T USE TEXTURE ON WALLS. LISA HENDERSON

CARRIE HATFIELD,
CARRIE HATFIELD INTERIOR DESIGN

Fran Del eo

Laura Hunt

Never stagger pictures except on a staircase. JOE MINTON, JOSEPH MINTON INC

Don't be afraid to splurge on a quality or unique piece for your home. Homes are investments,

no different. CAROLINA V. GENTRY, PULP DESIGN STUDIOS

and your furnishings should be

PATTERN AND COLOR! THE MORE, THE BETTER.

AMY BERRY, AMY BERRY DESIGN

Stretch beyond vour comfort zone.

DONA ROSENE. DONA ROSENE INTERIORS

DON'T BE AFRAID TO PURCHASE ART OR ACCESSORIES THAT YOU DON'T HAVE A PLAN FOR YET, IF YOU LOVE IT. BUY IT, AND THERE WILL BE A PLACE FOR IT IN YOUR HOME.

DENISE McGAHA, DENISE McGAHA INTERIORS

Plus: The complete list of the best designers in Dallas

Allen Kirsch

Mike Mousel

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Kara Adam Kathy Adcock-Smith **Debbie Bagley** Linda Baker Marci Barnes

Lisa Barron Dawn Bergan Amy Berry Mil Bodron Glen Boudreaux Gonzalo Bueno

William Tyson Burks David Cadwallader Ashley Avrea Cathey Margaret Chambers

Suzy Childress Katie Collins Charlotte Comer Alice Cottrell

Barbara Daseke

Kav Genua Vicki Crew

Ike Isenhour Catherine Dolen Leslie Jenkins Jan Jones

Beth Dotolo Paul Draper Jason James Jones Pam Kelley Cameron Drinkwater **Paul Duesing** Rebecca Kennedy **Cathy Kincaid** Stephen Dunn

Laura Lee Clark Falconer

Abbe Fenimore **Emily Johnston Larkin** Samantha Fisher Julie I lovd Mauricio Lobeira Mark Fletcher Linda Fritschy Susan Bednar Long **Lolly Lupton** Kim Furstenwerth Christina Garcia John Phifer Marrs

Carolina Gentry Jen Mauldin Kim McCue **Brant McFarlain** Tracy Hardenburg James McInroe **Tiffany McKinzie** Chelsea Hargraye **Carrie Hatfield** Robyn Menter Joseph Minton Sherry Hayslip Lisa Henderson Doniphan Moore

Rania Nasser **Dan Nelson** Michelle Nussbaumer

Debra Owens Russ Peters **Betty Lou Phillips** Tracy Rason

Pat Ratcliff Joshua Rice **Christopher Ridolfi**

Rick Rozas **David Salem** Cristie Schlosser **Ann Schooler** Corbin See

Jan Showers Mary Anne Smiley **Debra Stewart** Neal Stewart

Julie Stryker **Emily Summers** Martha Sweezev Amy Thomasson Clair Tompkins Richard Trimble **Philip Thomas Vanderford** Cheryl Van Duyne

Barbara Vessels Mary Beth Wagner Shelby Wagner Deborah Walker

Amy Walton **Barry Williams** Liz Lank Williamson **Rodney Willis** Joanie Wyll

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