

DALLAS DESIGNER SECRETS 2011

THE IT LIST

We asked some of the city's most esteemed interior designers to give the scoop on a few of their favorite things. Here's what they had to say.



BETH DOTOLO



BIGGEST DESIGN INFLUENCE: Architecture

DESIGN ELEMENT YOU'RE SO OVER: The painted focal wall. I loathe the painted focal wall.

THE NEW NEUTRAL: Metallics. I think we all want a little sparkle in our space.



FAVORITE HOME STORE: ABC Home & Carpet in New York City. You could get lost for days.

EVERY HOME SHOULD HAVE: A neutral sofa with great lines. If you have a good sofa, you can shape and mold your space as trends fade in and out.

IF YOU WERE A DESIGNER IN ANOTHER COUNTRY, IT WOULD BE: Japan! The aesthetic ranges from quirky and colorful to clean lines with natural elements, which expresses my personal design style perfectly.

TO RED OR NOT TO RED: Red packs a punch, and I love it when used thoughtfully.



MOST OVERUSED WORD IN THE DESIGN WORLD: Chic

FAVORITE COFFEE TABLE BOOK: I love the David LaChapelle coffee table book series.



LAURA LEE CLARK FALCONER



BIGGEST DESIGN INFLUENCE: Rose Tarlow, Nancy Corzine, John Saladino, and Kelly Wearstler



YOUR COLOR OF 2011: Lavender



THE NEW NEUTRAL: Seal gray

EVERY HOME SHOULD HAVE: Fortuny fabric on something!

FAVORITE HOME STORE: Laura Lee Clark Falconer's newest creative outlet, The Shop, located at 1615 Dragon St.

TO RED OR NOT TO RED: I think it can be a great accent especially when it leans toward orange or coral.

FAVORITE COFFEE TABLE BOOK: *Emilio Pucci* by Mariuccia Casadio



Yvonne Fortuny fabric in violet sunset and ivory

CYNTHIA COLLINS



BIGGEST DESIGN INFLUENCE: Early David Hicks

YOUR COLOR OF 2011: Cornflower blue and lavender



DESIGN ELEMENT YOU'RE SO OVER: Heavy trims

THE NEW NEUTRAL: I will love cream and white forever.

EVERY HOME SHOULD HAVE: An extremely comfortable chair and ottoman with a good view

IF YOU WERE A DESIGNER IN ANOTHER COUNTRY, IT WOULD BE: London, England

FAVORITE HOME STORE: For sure, Blue Print in Dallas. There is nothing like it!



FAVORITE COFFEE TABLE BOOK: The new 50th anniversary Barbie book by Yona Zeldis McDonough



Baker Milling Road Collection chair and ottoman. Available to the trade at the Baker Showroom.

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