

# interior

Issue three



THE INSIDE STORY

When it comes to interiors, we like to think that we know a thing or two. And if we can share some of our experience and expertise in order to inspire our customers, then even better. Welcome to interior, Small Acorn's own in-house guide to the inside story. Read on for practical information, clever ideas, best buys, what's new and now, and expert advice. Be inspired.



## Evolutionary interiors

Our style edict for Small Acorns is personal treasures, beautiful fabrics and contemporary design, infused with colour and a touch of whimsy. This mantra flows through from our store to our interiors and the style we bring to your home.

The most successful interiors are those curated slowly. A glorious mix of second hand treasures, quirky collectables, saved-for designer pieces and clever everyday high street buys. Have the confidence to mix modern & new with vintage & quirky with design & classic. Stir together, and be patient. The result will be yours and yours alone.

Make the most of good bones - reupholster an old chair to give it a new spin on life. Think button backs, fitted cushions on iconic chairs, contrasting texture and colour, retro-modern, large scale florals or textured plains and you have the essence of statement upholstery: confident and contemporary.

At the same time, quality over quantity - everytime! If something is worth doing, it's worth doing well. The old cliché still holds true. It's pointless paying to have an old chair reupholstered if the fabric you choose isn't robust. Designers Guild have some exceptionally



high quality upholstery weight fabrics in their basic Essentials collections that won't cost much more than an off the shelf fabric, and will pay for themselves easily in the long term.

Likewise, when it comes to your sofa, the saying that connects peanuts and monkeys comes to mind. And for good reason. Sofas are investment pieces. All our new sofas are proudly handmade in New Zealand. We won't skimp on quality or comfort, and the result is a tailor made, beautiful piece of furniture that we guarantee for ten years.

We've made no secret of our love affair with colour. Whether colour is soft and subtle - think duck egg blue, silvery grey & sepia shades - or vibrant and dazzling, we love its ability to revitalize our living spaces and lift our spirits.

## Edited Choice

Whether you're planning on renovating, dreaming about renovating, or like us, passionate about homes that tell a story, and all things interior, then these inspiring reads should be in your collection. All are available to buy online at [www.smallacorns.co.nz](http://www.smallacorns.co.nz).



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1 An absolute must have for Orla Kiely fans is Orla's beautiful book *Pattern*. 304 (huge) gloriously inspiring pages which showcase Orla's inimitable style and eye for colour and pattern. Mood boards, Orla's home & studio - for anyone who enjoys the process of design, pattern & fashion.

2 *Paumes* books are a go-to for interior design and craft lovers, with their gorgeous images and colourful design.

3 No line up of interiors books would be complete without at least one by Tricia Guild, the creative genius behind Designers Guild. And Tricia's latest '*A Certain Style*' may just be her most beautiful yet.

## This issue

- ✿ **Evolutionary Interiors** - How the best interiors evolve
- ✿ **Unlimited** - Your imagination is the only limit to the new Designers Guild Miami collection
- ✿ **Edited Choice** - a round up of our favourite inspired interior reads
- ✿ **We're loving** - luxe underfoot

## What's in



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1 The exuberant spirit and design aesthetic of Orla Kiely bedlinen brings a hint of retro-glam to your bedroom. Orla's nostalgia for all things mid-century helps make her patterns charming, uplifting and instantly recognizable. The signature prints are translated on to 100% cotton, with button closures, and are available in all sizes. Buy them online now at [www.smallacorns.co.nz](http://www.smallacorns.co.nz)

2 There is no easier way to freshen a room or add a touch of luxury than by adding a cushion or three. New season cushions from Designers Guild are rich in texture, detail and colour.

3 Vibrant digital prints, large scale geometric pattern, stripes, embossed and shimmering plains and textured grasscloth - wallpaper plays a strong support role to any interior this season. Colours are quietly subtle, or vibrant, clean and monochromatic - it all depends on your look.



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## Kidstuff

**Q: How much fun can you have with kids rooms?**  
**A: Lots!**

Kids rooms are an opportunity to let loose, have fun with colour and pattern, and indulge in all your creativity. The new Designers Guild 'Around the World' kids collection is full of bright ideas for kids of all ages. It's hard to go wrong with this one!



## small acorns interior design services

At Small Acorns we offer design solutions to make your house into a beautiful home. Intelligent, unique, modern, stylish solutions for the way we live today. And all incorporating the inspiring design aesthetic of Designers Guild.

We believe in personal style, designs that stand the test of time, and a room that tells a story. Whether it's one room or a whole house, one cushion or made-to-measure curtaining, we offer personal and individual decorating solutions that will reflect your style, work

within your budget, and ensure that your home is beautiful, comfortable and inspirational to live in.

- custom curtains & blinds
- lampshades & cushions
- interior consultations
- new furniture
- reupholstery
- wallpaper

**To make an appointment or for more information about any of our design services, please contact us on 0800 22 67 67 or by email [wgtm@smallacorns.co.nz](mailto:wgtm@smallacorns.co.nz)**

We can't wait to obsess over your home!



## Unlimited imagination

Miami is the third collection under the Designers Guild 'Unlimited' banner. Inspired by Miami Modernist Architecture (known as MiMo) that originated in Miami Beach in the 1950's which added glamour, fun and exuberance to minimalist styles. The look is bold, vivid and dynamic. Strong, contemporary designs together with a stunning colour palette make this collection ideal for all those looking for something fresh, vivacious and contemporary. Perfect for modern life, these gorgeous poster print florals, geometric prints & wide stripes translate beautifully to our way of living.

The strong cotton base cloth used for this collection is ideal for upholstery, curtains, blinds, lampshades & cushions, making these fabrics truly versatile. We think they are especially suited for recovering a mid-century or 60's modern retro chair. And this spirited collection provides stunning quality with amazing value.

And sitting alongside Miami are the coordinating and lively deck chair stripes of the Deltona collection. And the graphic designs of the Oxbridge wallpaper collection will have you actively searching for new walls to paper with these crayon scribbles and gorgeous stripes.

## We re loving...

Rugs for all spaces. Add a little underfoot luxe to your room with a gloriously soft and warm floor rug. Designers Guild rugs have been exquisitely designed to add colour, warmth and texture to any room and work in perfect harmony with their fabrics and wallcoverings. From dynamic patterns and glamorous stripes to modern all over texture. An instant focal point for your room, and the perfect complement to a beautiful wooden or tiled floor. Available online at [www.smallacorns.co.nz](http://www.smallacorns.co.nz)

- 1 Vibrant stripes, and luxuriously soft Monticello wool rug.
- 2 Gorgeous large scale floral Charlottenberg hand tufted wool/viscose rug
- 3 Wonderful, fun textured Lola's Magic Garden rug, brings a child's room to life.

