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**ADDING  
LAYERS**  
WITH THIS  
SEASON'S  
STYLE PICKS

## NESTING NEAR & FAR

- ❄️ LUXURIOUS RICHVALE
- ❄️ SUSTAINABLE BY DESIGN
- ❄️ AN ARTFUL APPROACH
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DIY PINE CONE **GARLAND**

# YOUR HOME, YOUR CASTLE

## HOW TO BRING YOURSELF INTO YOUR INTERIORS



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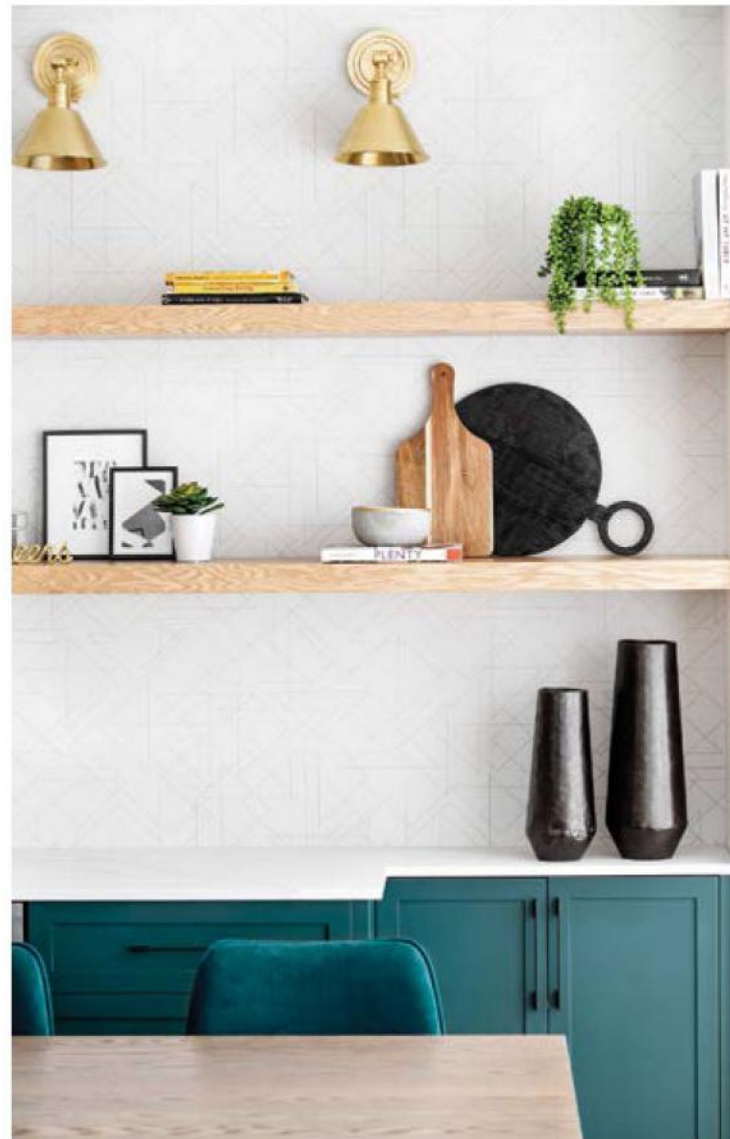
What makes a house feel like home? Every great interior begins with its inhabitant. We believe the personality needs to live within the home's overall design and aesthetic. Make your house feel like home, inspired by you!

### THE BIG PURGE

If you feel like your home doesn't represent you, it's time to purge. Discard everything that does not bring you happiness. It's so easy to hold onto items you don't like, simply because you're used to having them around. This act alone will eliminate everything in your home that does not represent you. Once you've removed all the hollow stuff you can start to fill your home with meaningful mementos and things that inspire you.

### SHOW YOURSELF

You have likely accumulated a highly personal collection or two that says a lot about what brings you happiness. Putting these items on display will not only make your home feel more like you, but will provide comfort and exude your personality into the space. Added bonus: These are great conversation-starters.



**PRO TIP:** Avoid clutter by only displaying selections from your collections, instead of the entire set. Display books on shelves as you would showcase art. Books fill gaps nicely, and their artistic covers can be featured in place of artwork. *Continued on page 32*

## "IT'S ALL ABOUT SUPPORTING LOCAL, CANADIAN MADE, REFINED, CUSTOM FURNITURE"

Kelly Banks - Second Generation Owner of Abacus Furniture



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# design ideas

## CREATE COMFORT

Home is about achieving a heightened level of efficiency, comfort and pleasure. These days, we are experiencing our homes in a new way – as a refuge from the world. Regardless of what’s happening outside, our interiors should always be the greatest escape of all, filled with things we love and tailored to the way we live. This may mean investing in that really beautiful but equally expensive sofa if you enjoy lounging in front of the television every evening, or finally getting around to setting up that dedicated home office that inspires you, instead of working from the kitchen table.

Comfort can be created with some simple considerations like lighting and ambience. Adding candles, fresh florals and throws draped over the sofa and chairs are some of the easiest and most impactful ways to boost your home’s comfort level.



## BE ADAPTIVE

The world is changing, and our homes have to keep up. Adaptation starts with being open to change and may take place as a slow build (think technology through the decades) or suddenly. We grow, and as our circumstances change, our personal style, collectables and lifestyles follow suit. Your home may have represented your past self, but it’s possible and very normal to change over time. When you feel like your current

décor has run its course, it’s time to restart the decorating process and find new ways to bring the new you into your home.

There’s a good reason that custom continues to be the biggest interior trend, year in and year out. Cookie-cutter fads come and go. Look within for inspiration that stands the test of time. An open mind and a good design team can make your home truly yours – and isn’t that what great design is all about? **OH**



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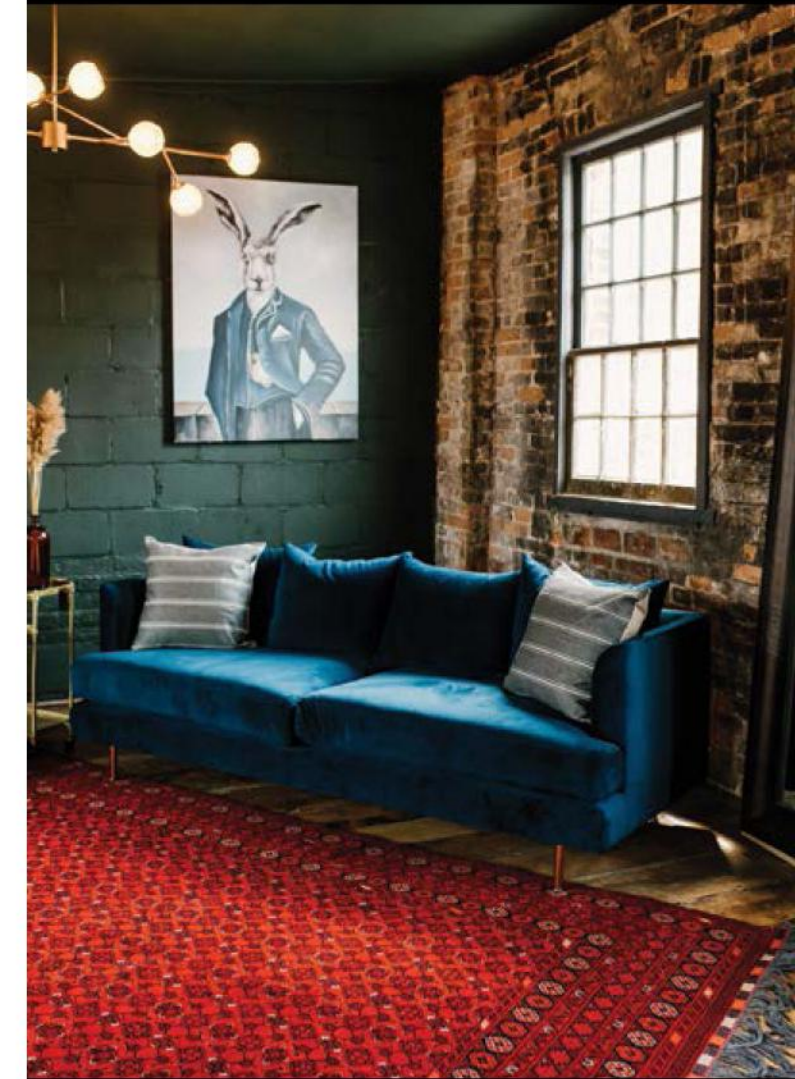
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