

7 Ways to Elevate Your Home Right Now

PLUS, 10 ONLINE SHOPS TO HELP YOU CURATE SPACES YOU LOVE



HELLO!

My name is Anne and I'm obsessed with living a well-edited life.

I love that the things we touch everyday have the potential and power to help us feel seen. To show others who we are without saying a word. For me, that means curating my wardrobe and environment in a way that helps me feel confident and calm. But, above all, it helps to bring a sense of simplicity to my life, and perhaps most importantly, my home.

I believe that our built environments impact our daily lives and headspace. Our homes serve as a retreat from the rest of the world. If it feels "off" - well, so do we. Whether you're a homeowner or a renter, you deserve to love where and how you live, right now.

This pdf will guide you through seven steps that will help you uncover the potential of your home and elevate it in a way that reflects you. Whether you're a renter looking to add personality or a homeowner looking to infuse character, this guide will hopefully help you find ease, contentment and inspiration to live life beautifully.

Plus, I've included 10 of my favorite online home decor/lifestyle retailers that provide a variety of options and inspiration for your next great find.



1 DECLUTTER

If you know me, this comes as no surprise, I'm just as guilty as the next clutter-prone person. It's so easy to let stuff pile up in the name of busy schedules and hectic lives. BUT, clearing out the clutter can make any room feel one thousand times better.

Start small. Walk around your house with a bag and choose ten things to donate/throw away or recycle. These things should be items you don't love, can't be fixed or are no longer usable. GET THEM OUT - you do not have time for them. Do a deep clean while you're at it - I swear, you'll end up working through something you didn't know you needed to.

2 WALL COVERINGS

Wallpaper has come a LOONNGGG way. The peel and stick variety is my way to add drama to a room without making a huge commitment. Whether you're into botanicals, art deco, murals or more of a vintage feel, wallpaper transforms spaces into places that reveal something interesting about you.

3 EVALUATE YOUR LIGHTING

Do you have a single "boob" light on your bedroom ceiling? Or a solitary corner lamp?

Make sure you have at least three points of light in your room. Rooms feel larger, more mature and full of ambience when there are at least three points of light.

Have nothing in your house that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful.

~William Morris



4 CURTAIN CALL

In my opinion, nothing feels more luxurious than floor to ceiling curtains. Ones that provide privacy, keep out the sun and add instant chic. Pair with a unique curtain rod and you've got yourself some drama.

Still have the plastic blinds that came with the apartment or are leftover from a previous tenant/owner? Swap those out with roll up shades or wooden blinds to add warmth, character and PRIVACY. You need to feel comfortable in your own home. No peeping Toms allowed!

6 HIT "REFRESH"

Switching out light fixtures and door knobs are simple ways to add character to a space. They're subtle hints of detail that bring your unique touch to wherever you're living. If you're not happy with something - change it! What's the worst that could happen?

5 INDULGE

If throwing some paint on the walls or installing wallpaper doesn't sound like your cuppa tea, try ritualizing something truly indulgent. It could be as simple as buying yourself flowers and lighting a luxurious candle. It could also look like upgrading your sheet set to something soothing, soft and comforting.



*Be faithful to your own taste,
because nothing you really like is
ever out of style.*

~Billy Baldwin

7 DO NOT WAIT

If there is a project that's been on your mind for awhile, do it! Make mistakes. Change your mind. Give yourself grace when things don't work out (because that will happen).

Experiment with color. Rearrange rooms. Challenge yourself to really listen to the little voice inside your head that gives you direction. Your home is for no one but you and your people. Make it into something you love. Just keep trying until something sticks!

If we waited for the perfect timing or the biggest budget, we'd never get anywhere. It's easy to say, "This place is temporary, why would I do anything?" But no matter how temporary, time spent hating something is time well wasted.

Invest in heirloom pieces (art, furniture) that you can take with you from house to house. Just start!



10 ONLINE SHOPS TO HELP YOU CURATE A HOME YOU LOVE

AMARA

This is definitely one site you'll need to budget for, but the designer options are so beautiful and one of a kind. It's the perfect destination for a special objet d'art, gift or finishing touch. Plus, they're sustainably minded and support up and coming interior designers.

BURKE DECOR

Everything about BD oozes sophistication. From unique lighting options to accents and rugs, this site is great for inspiration. The overall feel is modern, yet the elements are refined and traditional. Lots of neutrals, brass, black accents and natural materials make items from this site incredibly versatile.

CHAIRISH

The ultimate antiquing experience from the comfort of your couch. Chairish is one of my favorite sites for inspo because you can set your budget and style to sift through gorgeous second hand finds from individual sellers - like Etsy for antiques!

DEAR KEATON

Create "out of office" vibes with every piece of this thoughtfully curated shop. Think breezy fabrics, natural materials and woven elements to create the ultimate resort feel at home.

ELSIE GREEN

Crocks, vintage art, hand thrown pottery and gorgeous inspiration await. EG is the perfect place to score European treasures that add instant elegance. The owners literally travel around the world to bring us a little slice of European heaven.



JUNGALOW

This site is just FUN. Full stop. With a huge emphasis on bringing the outside in, Jungalow is full of colorful, patternful pieces that just delight the senses. This Black, woman owned business has things like wallpaper and bedding and everything in between.

LULU AND GEORGIA

Self-proclaimed "home decor for the style obsessed," Lulu and Georgia is seriously house goals. Based in Los Angeles, the pieces from Lulu are the definition of laid back refinement. Nothing is too precious, but everything is beautiful. There is a sense of playfulness and versatility that runs deep through every collection.

PARACHUTE

When I mentioned creating an indulgent space for yourself above, this is what I'm talking about. Parachute's bedding, robes and towels are plush, well made and incredibly soft. Everything gets better with age and use. Plus, the muted color palette creates a sense of calm in every way.

RoomMates Decor

I swear, the easiest way to add drama to a room is with wallpaper. And I'm not talking about the kind that you glue onto the wall - I'm talking the peel and stick kind. Perfect for renters and wallpaper DIYers alike. The paper from RoomMates Decor is my favorite - easy to install, repositionable and awesome quality.

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St. Frank is on a mission to help us all create homes that reflect our values, our personalities and who we are. This female lead team sources sustainably all over the world to bring art, decor, rugs, textiles and more to your thoughtfully curated space.

