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Spotlight On:
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at LiLu Interiors



Peekaboo Coffee Tables

Why I love this trend: This is really clever: a coffee table split down the middle to reveal a spot of surprising color. There's an element of unexpected intrigue to it. And it actually makes your coffee table a lot more versatile and usable. **Get the look:** Secret round low table by Jean-Michel Wilmotte for Holly Hunt

Laser-Cut Fabrics

Why I love this trend: I am all over this trend. At LiLu, my fellow designers and I have been using laser-cut fabric on window treatments with abandon lately. The look is so dimensional and fresh. You can use the panels alone or layer with another fabric for a different mode.

Get the look: Microfiber polyester taffeta Sand Dollar laser-cut fabric by Bart Halpern

Fornasetti-Inspired Accents

Why I love this trend: Bold graphics are showing up everywhere as of late, but I think Christian LaCroix's new collection is really fabulous.

Case in point: these two-sided throw pillows. One side has a wild array of black and white stripes; on the other side is a Photoshopped street scene that straddles the line between dreamlike and downright surreal.

I love the idea of this pillow on a bold-colored sofa. **Get the look:** Forum pillow by Christian LaCroix for Designer's Guild



Fresh Plaids

Why I love this trend: Plaids are going way beyond school-girl chic these days. I'm using more plaids than ever before because there are so many fresh new color combos out there, with purples, charcoals, chartreuses and crisp white. The next gen of plaid has finally arrived.

Get the look: Wexford plaid by Osborne & Little, in Chartreuse color way



Large-Scale Ikat Patterns

Why I love this trend: A few vendors are getting playful with traditionally woven ikat cloth and producing patterns that still have a global vibe, but are more watercolor-y and Marimekko-ish. Really lovely stuff. **Get the look:** 100-percent cotton Española Way fabric in Cobalt by Designer's Guild

Feminine Lighting with an Attitude

Why I love this trend: I love lighting that is elegant, sophisticated and super-playful. The Cumulus is one of my favorite new lighting pieces in this vein — very high fashion but with a sense of humor. **Get the look:** (ABOVE) Cumulus light by ABYU Lighting with acrylic body, feather wrap, rhinestone studs and crystal drops



Revitalized Adirondacks

Why I love this trend: I'm all about traditional shapes but with a modern makeover. Like this new collection from Richard Schultz that proffers the faintest wisp of "Adirondack."

Get the look: Dining chair with panel base by Richard Schultz, from his Fresh Air Collection



Leather-Wrapped Case Pieces

Why I love this trend: Nothing says "luxury" like a streamlined case piece covered completely in supple leather. This is extravagance at its best.

Get the look: Leather-wrapped, mid-century bow chest by Modern History

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