

# Design Finds

Loads of new launches and looks from our favorite decorating powerhouses BY TORI MELLOTT

## Alexa Hampton

### Alexa Alight

Never short of a funny joke, long eyelashes, or a beautiful design, Alexa Hampton, in her latest lighting collection for Visual Comfort, shows a striking array of versatile designs—from clever flush-mounts and classic sconces to the pictured architecturally scaled “Markos” hanging shades (circalighting.com). With all available in multiple finishes, including natural brass, polished nickel, and bronze, it’s hard not to hit a bright note.



## Brown Jordan

Calling all soccer moms and anyone on the go. The “Crickett II” is a slim folding chair with sling-style seating and a minimalist profile. A sleek carrying case transports the aluminum-framed piece to events and the beach in chic fashion. The chair is available from Brown Jordan in black or white Versatex mesh fabric (brownjordan.com). —*Krissa Rossbund*



## Richard Mishaan

### Homer, Sweet Homer

Part of designer Richard Mishaan’s motivation for re-opening his beloved Manhattan store (homerdesign.com) this past February was to create a destination for collectors. In addition to showcasing established and emerging artists, Homer will act as one large canvas for Mishaan, as he plans to completely re-imagine the space every four months. It will include his own designs, like this round “Kyoto” pouf.



## Barbara Barry

Famous for muted pastels and elegant designs, L.A.’s classy Barbara Barry definitely delivers with this latest bedding collection available at big-box retailer Bed Bath & Beyond. Four new offerings with dreamy names like “Peaceful Piqué” and “Petal Garden,” above, will soon hit stores alongside new 500-thread-count solid-color sateen sheets (bedbathandbeyond.com). Babs, you’ve done it again!



## Pigeon & Poodle

Waking up is hard to do, but choice bathroom accessories that greet each morning with handsome aspects certainly make it easier. A new division of home accessories company Made Goods, Pigeon & Poodle (pigeonandpoodle.com) is making such things as toothbrush holders, tissue boxes, canisters, and wastebaskets out of nature-inspired materials, including capiz shell, bone, and faux shagreen. —*K.R.*

## Kelly Wearstler

Seven new designs round out celebrated designer and tastemaker Kelly Wearstler's newest collection of wallpapers for Lee Jofa's Groundworks ([leejofa.com](http://leejofa.com)). If you've developed a serious Kelly crush over the years, this collection will not disappoint. Chock-full of her funky and unexpected style, there are sophisticated color combinations with hints of gold, silver, and copper, as well as references to nature.



## Mary McDonald

### The Devil's in the Details

Everyone's favorite doyenne of detail and dramatic design, Mary McDonald, has created a collection of fabrics and trims for Schumacher ([fschumacher.com](http://fschumacher.com)). True to form, this collection reinterprets traditional designs in a clean, graphic, and glamorous way. Trust us; your upholstery will look like a million bucks.

## Beacon Hill

### Garden Follies

With inky backdrops setting the tone for the newest linen fabric collection from Robert Allen Beacon Hill, it's no wonder they named it "Midnight Garden" ([beaconhilldesign.com](http://beaconhilldesign.com)). Based on a selection of historic documents, this colorful and fanciful array of patterns was inspired by the 19th-century idea of romantic naturalism—that nature itself is art. Deep, saturated colors wend, burst, and blossom amid fantasy-provoking flowers, animals, and vines. Any one of these imaginative prints is sure to add a little mystery to your upholstery.



## Bunny Williams

Who's the fairest of them all? New York decorator Bunny Williams's 12 new mirror designs are all natural beauties. From stately and serious Greek keys to '80s-inspired geometrics to '40s-looking Draperesque plaster swirls—there is something for everyone in this, her second collection for Mirror Image Home. Pair with her Bunny Williams Home furniture (formerly BeeLine Home), and you'll BEE very happy ([mirrorimagehome.com](http://mirrorimagehome.com)).

## Michael S Smith

Templeton Crocker, heir to the Union Pacific railroad fortune, was a bit of a design nut. In the 1930s he employed cutting-edge Parisian decorators and architects like Paul Dupre-Lafon and Jean-Michel Frank to outfit his modernist apartment in the hills of San Francisco. Cut to 2013. Smitten with this story, designer Michael S Smith names his new line The Templeton Collection for the aforementioned explorer and heir. A bit of a departure for Smith, this line of prints and wovens includes lots of geometrics as well as some Aztec-inspired patterns. We're happy to see the fearless spirit of Crocker lives on in beautiful textiles ([michaelsmithinc.com](http://michaelsmithinc.com)).

## Bookcase



### Sheila Bridges *The Bald Mermaid: A Memoir*

For years, the elegant designs and eclectic styles of Sheila Bridges have been an inspiration. In her memoir, we are given a refreshingly candid account of her personal and professional successes and struggles. *The Bald Mermaid* is her diary, filled with colorful insight, personal photos, and fascinating accounts of how she found strength and a little bit of humor in the face of adversity. (Pointed Leaf Press, \$35) —Mimi Faucett