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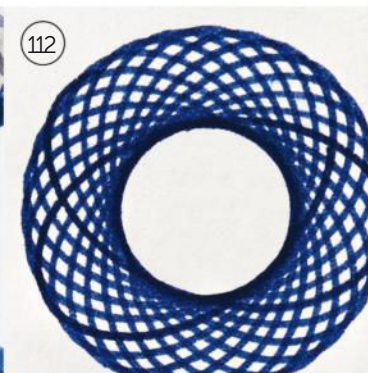
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FROM THE EDITOR

Growing up, rainy days were kinda awesome.

Whenever boredom was creeping in, my sister and I would turn to our Childcraft library, especially Volume 11, “Make and Do.” As we learned to make soap bubble art, papier-mâché masks, crepe paper curtains, and origami lanterns, the day became less dreary and ended up a great time creating new things.

For me, *Do It Yourself*™ is a grown-up version of “Make and Do.” Each issue is an opportunity to experiment with new techniques, sample new products, and develop new skills. This issue is your chance to experiment with the latest in metallic decorating (“Copper Tones,” page 70) or elevate your painting prowess (“Wall Overhaul,” page 78). Try our fresh take on classic embroidery stitches (“Common Threads,” page 90) or turn junkyard salvage into a stunning vertical garden (“Trash to Trellis,” page 64). And don’t miss our special section (“Back to School,” page 41), which is packed with DIY courses that range from free afternoon classes to bucket-list-worthy learning getaways.

And best of all, a rainy day isn’t required to experience the thrill of learning something new.

Brian

Brian Kramer
Editor, *Do It Yourself*™



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SHOP CLASS CUTUPS

During a two-day course at a local woodshop, Team DIY learned to operate power tools, mill rough lumber, and assemble gorgeous hardwood cutting boards.

GLUE KNEW?

WOOD GLUE IS ALL THAT SECURES THESE BOARDS. THE SECRET IS TO APPLY GLUE ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SEAMS, ALLOW IT TO GET TACKY, THEN PRESS TOGETHER. CLAMP FOR 12–24 HOURS WITH PIPE CLAMPS.



TRY IT

SLICE OF STYLE

*Rock the trend of the moment with
these polished agate projects.*

PROJECTS + WORDS **LIZ LIDGETT** PHOTOGRAPHS **JAY WILDE**

GO ORGANIC

ONE THING WE LOVE ABOUT AGATES: NO TWO ARE ALIKE. EMBRACE THE DIFFERENCES BY SELECTING STONES IN VARYING SHADES AND SHAPES.



KNOCKOFF KNOB

Achieve a high-end look for much less by swapping existing knobs with this DIY version. Select agates that are wider than inexpensive knobs with flat surfaces. The slick surfaces require a high-strength adhesive that can bond metal and stone.

We used Loctite Epoxy Quick Set, which combines epoxy resin and a hardener before application. After the glue dries, install the hardware on your cabinet.



MINERAL PATTERNS

Explore the softer side of agates with our pillow ideas. For the rectangular pillow, scan agates and print the images onto iron-on transfer paper. Trim the images and apply them to a pillow cover using an iron and following the transfer paper instructions. For the square pillow, we created a repeating design using a scanned agate image, then we had Spoonflower print it on Eco-Canvas fabric. (Find our design at spoonflower.com/profiles/doityourselfmagazine.) Cut two squares of fabric to fit your pillow form and sew them with wrong sides together, leaving an opening along one side. Turn right side out, insert the pillow form, and use a hidden stitch to close the opening.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

PILLOW INSERTS \$14
PLAIN PILLOW COVER \$4
IRON-ON TRANSFER
PAPER \$10
FABRIC \$32
TOTAL // \$60
(TWO PILLOWS)



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JUST A SPLASH

Add panache to a white subway tile backsplash. Install the tile using mastic and a notched trowel; leave a gap for the agate border. (You may need to install a temporary ledger board beneath the tiles that form the upper section to prevent sagging while the mastic dries for 24 hours.) Remove the board; apply mastic made for glass tile to the back of the agates and firmly press them in place. After 24 hours, apply unsanded grout with a rubber float, working it into the grout lines and the border. Use a damp sponge to wipe away excess grout. After the grout dries, remove grout haze with a cloth. Seal the grout.

DRY RUN

POSITION AGATES ON A FLAT SURFACE TO MAKE SURE THEY COVER THE DESIRED AREA IN A PLEASING PATTERN. WE PLACED THE LARGE AGATES FIRST AND FILLED GAPS WITH SMALLER SLICES.



GET AN EDGE

AGATE COASTERS FROM HOME STORES OFTEN HAVE GILDED EDGES. RE-CREATE THE LOOK WITH PLAIN AGATES BY APPLYING GOLD FOIL OR GLITTER TO THE EDGE.

CURTAIN CALL

Pull an agate coaster from table duty and reimagine it as a curtain tieback with this simple project. Using a putty knife, remove any rubber feet or pads from the coaster. Apply high-strength multipurpose epoxy (such as Loctite Epoxy Quick Set) to adhere the coaster to a simple metal curtain tieback. (We spray-painted our silver tieback matte gold first to elevate the look. Be sure the paint is thoroughly dry before gluing.) After the glue dries, install tieback using a wall anchor and drill.



BUDGET BREAKDOWN

FRAME \$10
AGATES \$10
ADHESIVE \$5
TOTAL // \$25

YOU'VE BEEN FRAMED

Accentuate your artwork by upping your frame game. Hot-glue clusters of small agates to the corners of a basic white frame. (Choose one with a wide edge for the most pleasing look.) We selected agates in pinks and purples to complement the landscape artwork, but they'd also go well with a black-and-white photo, a line drawing, or abstract art.

FOR RESOURCES SEE PAGE 108.

WHERE TO FIND AGATES

Don't know where to look? Check out this treasure trove of possibilities.

TRY LOCAL. We found many of the agates used in these projects for only \$1 each in the gift shop of our local science center.

HIT THE WEB. Search for "agate slices" on Amazon, eBay, or Etsy and find bundles of smaller stones at affordable prices. If you need large quantities for a big project, look into online rock wholesalers that may require a minimum order.

HACK HOME GOODS. Hit up discount stores for agate products. A coaster, bookend, or napkin ring can offer project possibilities.



ORDER IN THE HOUSE

HUNG UP

These 10 projects and products shift ordinary doors into extraordinary storage that occupies zero floor space.

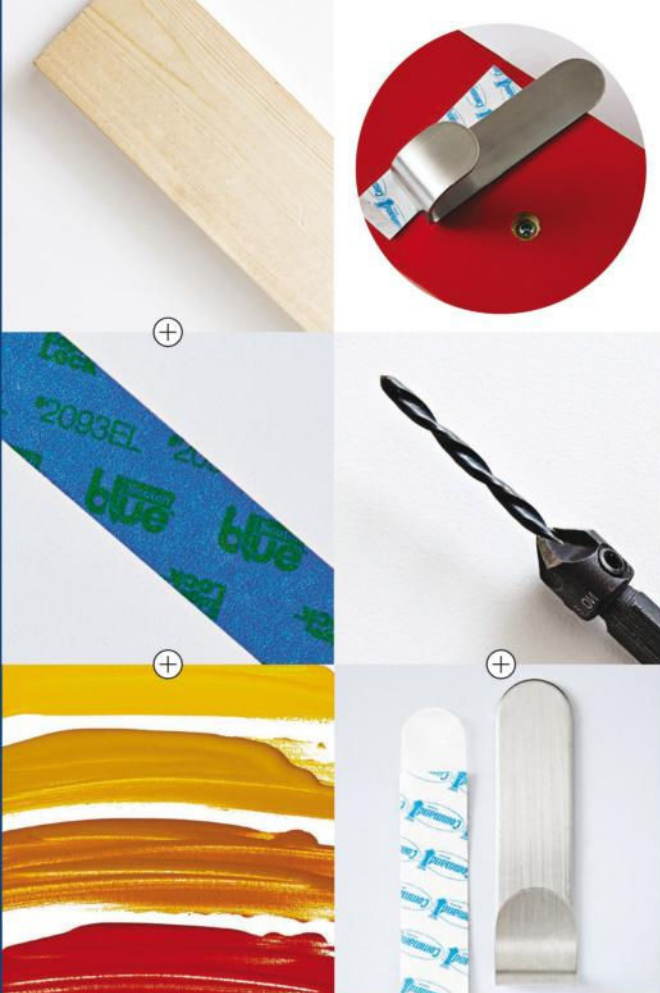
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MAKE IT

COAT CAPTURE

Catch jackets, bags, and backpacks as soon as you come inside with an easy-to-craft coatrack sized to suit your front door. It costs about \$45 to make—even less if your toolbox is well-stocked.





A COUNTERSINK DRILL BIT TOPS OFF A PILOT HOLE WITH AN ANGLED DIVOT SO THE SCREWHEAD SITS FLUSH WITH THE SURROUNDING WOOD. DRILL BIT AND COUNTERSINK; \$5; DEWALT.COM

Cut a 1x4 board to the desired length to fit your door. Use painters tape to create crisp lines, and paint each section; let dry thoroughly between colors. Drill pilot holes into the board with a countersink bit. Drill corresponding pilot holes into the door, then screw the board to the door. (If your door has a hollow core, use anchors, *below right*, to keep the rack secure.) 3M Command Large Modern Metal Hooks (\$6 each; command.com) hide the screws and create hanging spots.

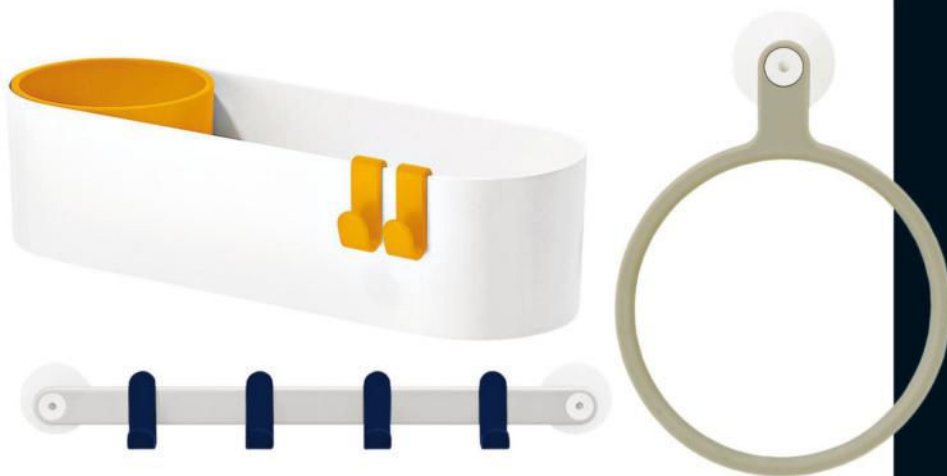


GET IN THE SWING

Loop bags, belts, and other lightweight accessories from this three-armed hanger. It hooks over the door, and the arms separate and swing to make finding your finishing touches a breeze. Swinging Accessory Hanger; \$18; dormco.com



STICK-ON STORAGE Urbio's ultramodern Sabi collection of caddies and hangers installs in a snap: You can use the high-strength, moisture-resistant, self-adhesive tape that comes with each product (best for smooth walls and tile), or opt for screws and anchors to mount the elements to any door. \$40–\$55; myurbio.com



ANCHORS AWEIGH

Most interior doors in American homes have a hollow core, which means that mounting anything heavy-ish—towel bars, hooks, frames—requires more holding heft than a few nails or screws can muster. E-Z Anchor anchors are specially suited for hollow doors (and they're self-drilling in drywall), holding up to 40 pounds. \$2 for a four-pack; homedepot.com

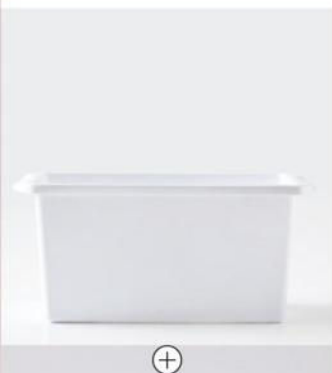
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ANCHOR FOR A
HOLLOW-CORE
DOOR TO ENSURE
THE BATHROOM
BINS STAY PUT.



HACK IT

RUB-A-DUB TUBS

Two ice cube bins—spray-painted black and mounted on the bathroom door—separate his grooming gear from hers. Krylon Fusion for Plastic Spray Paint (\$4 at Walmart) grabs onto slippery surfaces and won't let go, which is ideal for containers getting lots of use in a humid space. For labels, we affixed adhesive letters to the containers before spray-painting, then carefully removed them when the paint was dry. Attach the containers to the door by drilling holes through one long side of the bins to hang from rubber-covered cup hooks.



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BUY IT

OVER-THE-DOOR DISPLAY The magnetic Overboard clutches the top of a door (no screws or drilling required) and lets you post photos, cards, notes, keys, and more with super-strong magnets (12 included). Soft pads on the back protect the door from scratches. \$25; threebythree.com



BUY IT

SNEAKY STORAGE

Swipe a little storage from an unsuspecting spot—on the hinge of the bathroom door. Made of powder-coated steel to resist moisture, the double hook squeezes extra storage for towels or a robe into even the smallest bathroom. Spacemaker Hook; \$8; bedbathandbeyond.com

BUY IT

CAPTAIN HOOK

Stash hats, bags, and other small items on this contraption, which stretches the full length of a door and attaches securely both over and under it. Six hooks slide wherever you want and lock into place for customized storage. It requires no tools to install and can hold up to 3 pounds per hook. Door Hook; \$15; containerstore.com



UNFOLD THE SLEEK BJARNUM HOOK TO HOLD A HANGER OR SCARF, THEN SNAP IT SHUT WHEN YOU'RE DONE DRESSING. \$10 FOR THREE; IKEA.COM



MAKE IT

CHANGING STATION

Wish you had a valet (à la *Downton Abbey*) to dress you each morning? Perhaps our door-mounted (nonhuman) version can be of service. Use it to assemble your outfit, from shirt and skirt to bracelet and bag, so you can view the entire ensemble, then add or subtract pieces with ease. (It's also handy for those overachievers who lay out their clothes the night before. #wardrobegoals)

To make your own, paint a 4-foot 1x2 board (4 feet is a standard length at most hardware stores and home centers) and let dry. Spray with polyurethane. Fasten a folding hook near the top with screws and a couple of knobs near the other end for accessories. Attach the whole assembly to the center of your door.

A PAIR OF SMALL KNOBS (THESE ARE MEANT FOR KITCHEN CABINETS) PLACED AT THE END OF THE VALET DISPLAY JEWELRY OPTIONS. COUNTERSINK THE KNOB SCREWS FROM BEHIND FOR A FLUSH FINISH. ERIKSDAL KNOBS; \$4 FOR TWO; IKEA.COM





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ryobitools.com // \$129

WHAT IT IS This entry-level tool's 25x17-inch table is capable of big cuts.

WHY WE LIKE IT The adjustable miter gauge, table-mounted push stick storage, and heavy-duty stand make it a good value for the price.

circular saw

GREAT FOR quick cuts, cutting down large sheets, and portability.

BOTTOM LINE While not as precise as other saws, circular saws speed through straight rip cuts and crosscuts.



WORXSAW COMPACT CIRCULAR SAW

worx.com // \$60

WHAT IT IS Just over half the size of a standard circular saw, this compact tool cuts through a 2x4 with ease.

WHY WE LIKE IT Sleek and slim, the saw weighs in at only 4.4 pounds. Add it to your tool arsenal for its portability even if you already have a circular saw.



RIDGID GEN5X BRUSHLESS 18V 7¼-INCH CIRCULAR SAW

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WHAT IT IS Equipped with brushless motor technology for longer motor life and run time, this saw allows you to cut the cord without losing out on power.

WHY WE LIKE IT Features like the grip light that illuminates your work space and blower that moves debris away from the cut line set this saw apart.

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miter saw

GREAT FOR angled crosscuts for frames, trim, or molding.

BOTTOM LINE For speedy crosscuts and angled cuts, there's no better saw. The blade size and movement restrictions limit its usefulness.



CRAFTSMAN 7¼-INCH COMPACT SLIDING COMPOUND MITER SAW
craftsman.com // \$170

WHAT IT IS Make cuts at angles up to 47 degrees on boards up to 2x8 inches with nine positive stops at the most-used angles.

WHY WE LIKE IT The compact design cuts down on space requirements but doesn't skimp on cutting power. A laser helps with alignment. The sliding feature allows you to move the blade forward and back.

jigsaw

GREAT FOR intricate cuts and freehand cutting.

BOTTOM LINE If you're looking for a handheld tool that can make curved, straight, and beveled cuts, this is your saw.



BLACK & DECKER 5-AMP JIGSAW WITH CURVECONTROL
blackanddecker.com // \$39

WHAT IT IS This 5-amp saw features a variable speed motor and boasts a new and improved wire guard for precise cuts.

WHY WE LIKE IT The CurveControl technology features four settings so you can pick the orbit and speed right for your project.

reciprocating saw

GREAT FOR demolition and cutting through a variety of materials, including drywall, metal pipe, and PVC.

BOTTOM LINE What it lacks in precision, the saw makes up for in sheer cutting power.



DEWALT DWE305 12-AMP CORDED RECIPROCATING SAW
dewalt.com // \$99

WHAT IT IS The 12-amp motor packs a punch, while the variable speed trigger gives you the ability to easily control the speed from a range of 0–2,900 strokes per minute.

WHY WE LIKE IT The versatile four-position blade clamp makes it possible to make flush cuts.

handsaws

GREAT FOR small, detailed cuts and specialty tasks—or when you don't have power.

BOTTOM LINE As the power source, you have precise control.



DEWALT FLUSH CUT SAW
dewalt.com // \$11

WHAT IT IS The name says it all. Cut flush against adjacent surfaces—without risking damage—with this thin-bladed saw.

WHY WE LIKE IT With a flexible blade and reversible handle, this saw easily slides into tight spaces.



STANLEY 4¾-INCH FATMAX COPING SAW
stanleytools.com // \$11

WHAT IT IS The thin blade of a coping saw allows you to make intricate cuts (think curves and angles) through wood, aluminum tubing, and other metal objects.

WHY WE LIKE IT The ergonomic handle on this small saw provides grip relief when doing more detailed woodworking.



STANLEY 20-INCH FATMAX TRI-MATERIAL HANDSAW
stanleytools.com // \$26

WHAT IT IS This saw's small, sharp teeth are great for cutting lumber or branches.

WHY WE LIKE IT The blade coating reduces friction while cutting for a cleaner finish.



MILWAUKEE COMPACT HACKSAW
milwaukeetool.com // \$18

WHAT IT IS Its fine teeth can cut metal, PVC, and copper.

WHY WE LIKE IT This compact saw is designed for small cutting applications.

BUDGET
BREAKDOWN

WOOD CANVAS \$13
WALLPAPER \$12
DRAWER PULLS \$11
PAINT \$3
TOTAL // \$39

WHAT TO DO WITH

A WOOD CANVAS

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DRAWER PULL



Unprimed wood canvases are constructed of a basswood panel on a frame. This wood's smooth, knot-free surface is suited to woodburning projects and painting. Frame depths range from $\frac{7}{8}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches. Costs vary from \$8 for a 6x6-inch canvas to \$21 for a 12x36-inch version. Our favorite sources include walnuthollow.com (we used Walnut Hollow's square versions), dickblick.com, and michaels.com.



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TRAY CHIC At your service: A 12x16x1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch basswood canvas gets enlisted as a serving tray with the addition of paint, peel-and-stick wallpaper, and cabinet drawer pulls, *above left* and *opposite*. For the handles, mark the positions of the drawer pull's screw holes onto the outer face of the canvas's two short sides. Clamp scrap wood blocks along the inside edge for splinter-free exiting of the drill bit (A). Drill holes. Prime and paint the canvas. Cut wallpaper to line the tray bottom. We used a custom-size peel-and-stick Woven Wallpaper from Spoonflower, but shelf liner, a decal, or any surface with an easy-to-clean, protective coating works, too. Smooth in place. Attach drawer handles with a screwdriver and you're ready for tea and company.

BUDGET
BREAKDOWN

BASSWOOD CANVAS \$13
LED STRING \$8
TOTAL // \$21



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BREAKDOWN

BASSWOOD CANVAS \$13
LED STRING \$8
TOTAL // \$21



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LIGHT BRIGHT Illuminate a hallway or mantel with a night-light, *opposite*, fashioned from a 12×12× $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch basswood canvas and white LED string lights. **TIP:** Score a deal by purchasing the lights after the holiday season. Download our design at BHG.com/DIYLIGHT, or create your own. (We traced small plates to help fashion our starburst.) Plot dots evenly on the pattern, making sure the number of dots doesn't exceed the number of lights on the string. To transfer a design to the face of the canvas, trace it using transfer paper or use an awl to gently press pilot holes at the dots (A). Practice on scrap wood first if desired. Protect your work surface with a scrap of thick wood or a cutting board. This board also acts as a bumper for when the drill bit bores through. To prevent splintering, drill pilot holes at the awl marks using a bit slightly smaller than the individual lightbulb (B). Next, using a drill bit the size of the bulbs, enlarge the holes. Poke lights through the design from the back (C). Plug in.

B



C





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GET IN GEAR Showcase curious collectibles from your junk drawer as a slick, painted shadow box, *opposite*, inspired by the found-object sculptures of Louise Nevelson. Gather an assortment of items with intriguing shapes, profiles, or three-dimensional relief surfaces. Invert a basswood canvas and plot items inside, in layers (A). Snap an image for a visual record. Remove the objects, then glue them in place in layers using a heavy-duty construction adhesive (ours is from Loctite). Allow each layer to dry. Cover everything in an all-surface, spray-on primer. When dry, coat with copper spray paint. Attach a picture hanger to the smooth side of the canvas. For the small shadow boxes, *above*, prime, then spray-paint metallic green. Spray-paint the items in copper. Line the interior of each box in a pretty paper. Adhere objects to the paper, let dry, and attach picture hangers to the back.

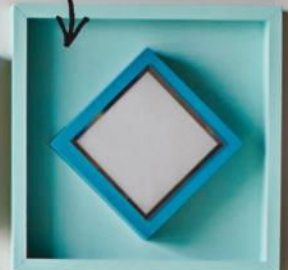




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DROP BOX Make peace with a busy back entry: Utilize wood canvases as organizers. Have young family members personalize square basswood frames with paint to designate their coat and backpack hooks. Glue a small, unframed mirror from a crafts store into an 8×8×1¼-inch canvas, then mount it inside a 12×12×1¼ frame, *opposite*. Stick cork letters onto another 12×12×1¼-inch canvas for posting reminders, *opposite*. Stash keys on press-on hooks and phones in a small mesh cup (hang it from a small brad or two), *left*. Coat another canvas in chalkboard paint for jotting reminders, *below left*. Hang canvases on the wall using hook-and-loop strips or screws.

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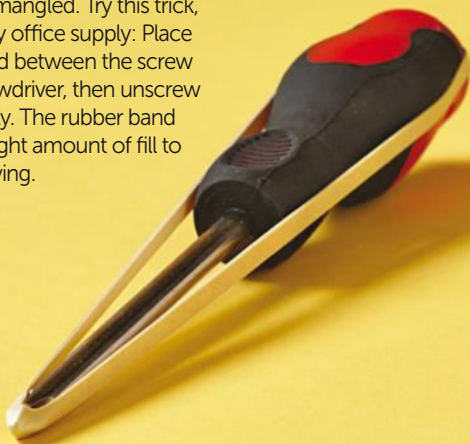
HANDY GIRL

Want to make life easier? These quick tricks and easy fixes are a breath of fresh air for a home improvement-weary do-it-yourselfer.

WORDS **KELLY ROBERSON** PHOTOS **JACOB FOX**

RUBBER BANDS TO THE RESCUE

Those pesky stripped screws are beasts to remove. Traction and tension are nearly impossible if the head of the screw is all mangled. Try this trick, courtesy of a trustworthy office supply: Place a wide rubber band between the screw head and the screwdriver, then unscrew slowly and carefully. The rubber band provides just the right amount of fill to get the screw moving.



WHAT A STEEL

Rather than stocking up on special cleaners, I use cream of tartar to spiff up stainless-steel surfaces. In a bowl, mix 1 part cream of tartar with 4 parts distilled white vinegar to make a paste. Apply it to the stainless-steel surface with a cloth, then wipe off with warm water.



I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW Look, I'll admit it: Washing windows isn't my favorite task. Before I'd flip the window out, take it apart, wash it, and put it back together only to notice a streak. While I can't always eliminate streaks, I do use this trick to make finding them a snap. On the inside, I wipe windows horizontally; on the outside, I wipe them vertically. That way, if I see streaks, I know which side to refresh.



HAMMER TIME

How many times have you fumbled with nails in one hand, hammer in the other? Not exactly the easiest balancing act, right? Do this instead: Superglue a magnet to the bottom of the hammer's handle and use it to keep nails close at hand.



REJUVENATE A RUG

Baking soda is a rock star when it comes to the toughest home maintenance chores. That outdoor rug that you thought was too trashed to rescue? Wet the rug down and sprinkle it liberally—really liberally—with baking soda. Work the baking soda into the rug with a nylon deck brush—softer bristles are better for this chore—then spray the rug clean with the garden hose. Leave it in the sunshine to dry.



DETAIL WORK Next time you're cleaning windows, don't overlook those teensy, tiny crevices where all manner of dirt, grime, and bugs get stuck. Make the job easier by putting cotton swabs to work. PS: They're also perfect for cleaning your remote control, computer keyboard, the back of your hairdryer where lint builds up, and the detergent compartment in your washing machine.



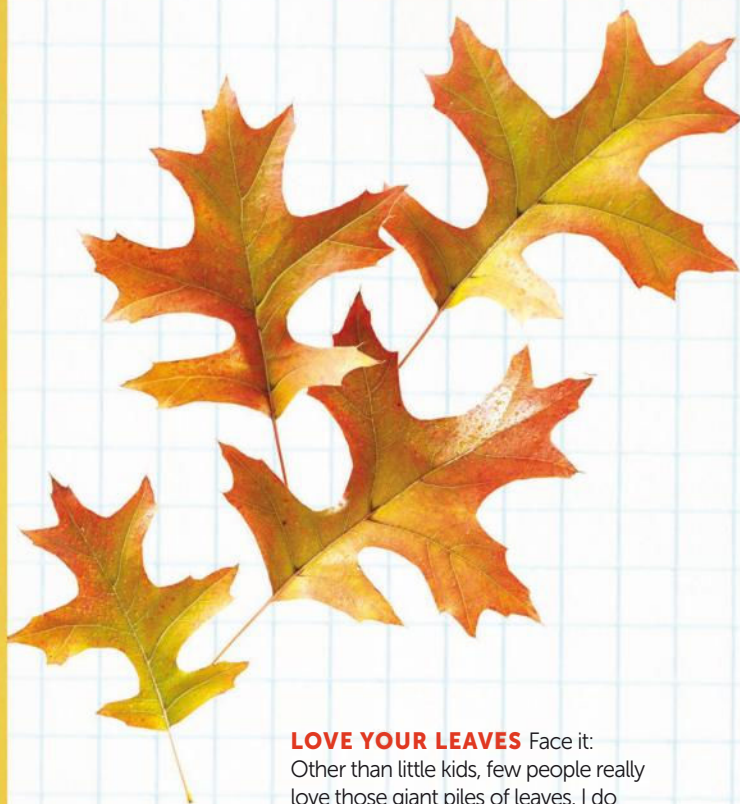
HOLE IN ONE If you're fixing a drywall hole that's about the size of a coin, you shouldn't just fill it with drywall compound, which isn't very resistant to pressure. For best results, the drywall compound needs a filler to adhere to. I like to fill the gap with a chunk cut from a small foam cosmetic wedge or sponge. Cut it just a wee bit bigger than the hole, insert, spackle the hole, dry, sand, and paint—hole fixed, wall beautiful, home Zen returned.



WIPE AWAY SMUDGES ON YOUR PHONE OR TABLET'S TOUCH SCREEN WITH A MAKEUP SPONGE.

SOCK IT TO 'EM

Cleaning window blinds ranks right up there as one of my least favorite maintenance tasks. Here's a trick I've learned to clean them in place: Grab an old sock or two. Mix equal parts warm water and vinegar. Slide your hand in the sock, dip it in the water-vinegar mix, squeeze out excess, and gently clasp each blind in the sock, running your hand along the length to clean. Rinse the sock as needed.



LOVE YOUR LEAVES

Face it: Other than little kids, few people really love those giant piles of leaves. I do a multistep process at my house; it doesn't make the leaves disappear but it does make me feel better about the chore of raking them. First, I pick a sunny day when the leaves are dry. Then, I mow them—several times—to chop them up as fine as possible. I gather the chopped leaves to put over flowerbeds to act as wintertime mulch or dump into my compost pile, where they turn into fertilizer come spring. When I do need to rake, I use a wide tool—the Lee Valley Power Rake (leevalley.com) is a fave—that makes the job that much easier.

A FOAM POOL NOODLE ALSO WORKS IF YOU DON'T WANT TO MAKE A TRIP TO THE STORE FOR PIPE INSULATION.



PAINT PREP WORK

I like painting. It's part meditation, part home improvement rolled into one. But I'm not a fan of the annoying aspects of painting—like losing my paintbrush or roller in a paint tray or cleaning the tray afterward. Here are two tricks that I can't paint without. First, instead of cleaning my paint tray or buying an expensive liner, I just line the tray with aluminum foil. The foil doesn't move and when I'm done—easy peasy, I just ditch the foil. Then, I cut up an inexpensive foam roll—the kind used to insulate pipes—and put a section on the top edge of the paint tray. I cut a slit in the foam as a place to rest the handle of a roller or brush to stop it from sliding into the tray.

TAPE MEASURE TRICKS This workhorse does more than measure. Notice that cutout at the end of the tape measure? If you want to get an exact measurement, hook it over a nail or screw for a tight hold; it makes a one-person measure easy. The serrated edge? Use it to mark a measurement if you don't have a pencil. Plus, did you know the body—the part that holds the tape measure when it's wound up—can be used to measure, too? Look on the bottom and you'll find a measurement—say 3 inches: That's how long the tape measure body is. So if you're doing a measurement that forces you to bend the tape, you can just use the body to find a beginning to end, or corner, number.



FACTOR IN THE WIDTH OF THE TAPE MEASURE WHEN WORKING IN TIGHT SPOTS.

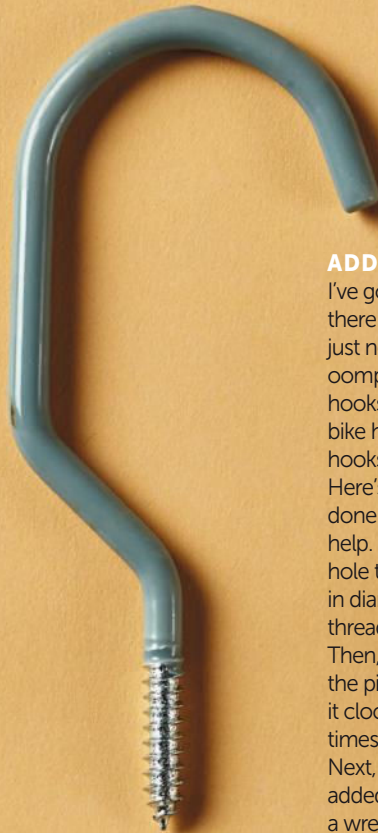
STRAIGHTEN UP

Are you cool, calm, and collected when applying caulk? Me neither. My hands give an ever-so-slight quiver when I'm concentrating on getting it just right. Luckily I've started putting my favorite painting tool—painters tape—to work in all sorts of ways. When I caulk, I simply place a strip of it to each side of the caulk line, fill in, smooth with my finger or a slightly damp cloth—and presto! The neatest caulk job ever.



SCUFFS BEGONE

Shoes, chairs, random objects—all sorts of items can scuff a floor. And, like small drywall holes, floor scuffs are one of those annoying, unattractive home abuses that you'd love to get rid of. Here's how: Just grab a tennis ball and rub it over the spot until it's gone. In a word? Easy.



ADDED LEVERAGE

I've got muscle, but there are some jobs that just need some serious oomph. Take installing hooks—from big hefty bike hooks to small cup hooks—into wood beams. Here's how I get the job done without calling in help. First, I drill a pilot hole that's slightly smaller in diameter than the threaded end of the hook. Then, push the hook into the pilot hole, and twist it clockwise a couple times to get it started. Next, insert a wrench for added leverage. Choose a wrench size based on your hook size. The bigger the hook, the bigger the wrench.



FLOOR FIX Isn't it the best when you can make home repairs without heading to the hardware store? That's why I love this trick for a squeaky floor: Simply sprinkle baby powder onto the area, and use a paintbrush to work the powder into the joints. Squeak solved!

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STICK 'EM UP (OR OFF) My kids have grown out of the sticker phase—or so I always think, until one of them decides to plaster a wood door with a sheet of them. While I wonder why the bulletin board didn't make the cut for sticker abuse, I don't freak out. Instead, my hair dryer comes to the rescue: Direct its warm air stream at the stickers. The air melts the glue and the stickers work their way off nearly any hard surface. Wipe away any remaining residue with a little olive oil.

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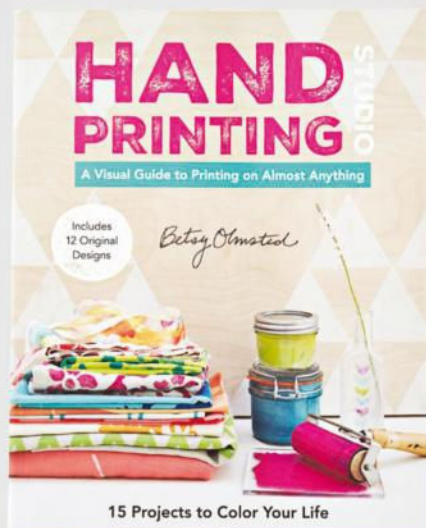
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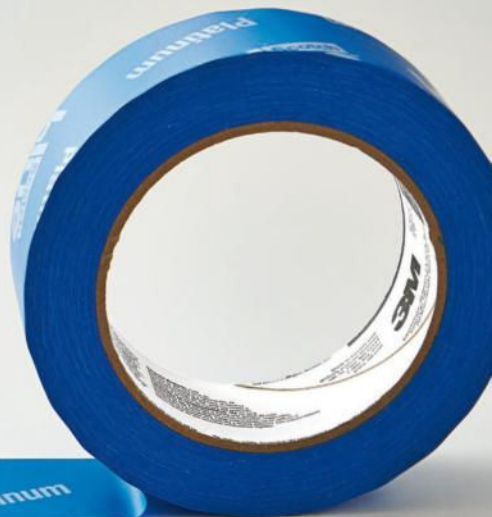
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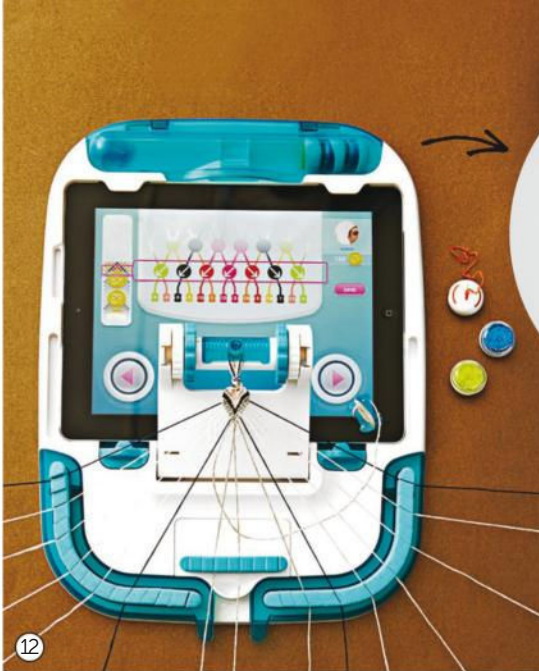
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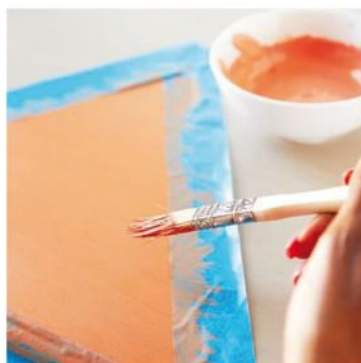
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Think about how you like to learn when deciding which path is right for you.

- How much time do you have?
- What is your learning style?
- Will you get what you need by

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- Would you rather download a course from a website and take it at your own pace without leaving home?
- Which is more your speed: a onetime evening class or an intensive weekend workshop?
- Would you rather join a maker space and become a skilled woodworker over time?
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HOME IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOPS

Acquiring DIY skills through onetime, hands-on workshops builds the confidence that makes home repairs and improvement projects more doable. Whether you learn enough to do the work yourself or manage outside help, you gain a better understanding of your home. Handling minor repairs and seasonal maintenance yourself saves money.



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Mostly half-day or daylong workshops in Overland Park, Kansas, include basic repairs, maintenance, electrical, tiling, plumbing, cabinet restoration, removing a popcorn ceiling, installing a faucet, and more.

REBUILDING EXCHANGE

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This nonprofit social enterprise in Chicago offers dozens of hands-on public workshops year-round to educate and encourage deconstruction and reuse of materials. Workshops include make-it and take-it projects, woodworking for all skill levels, and open shop time.



TOP Do It Yourself team members attend an hour-long class at The Home Depot, where a manager shows how to make a cute address planter. LEFT The results of a make-it, take-it cutting board workshop at Rebuilding Exchange in Chicago are beautiful and functional. ABOVE Woodworking 101 is one of many classes offered at Rebuilding Exchange each year, designed to teach the basics and enable students to use various tools and build a tabletop.

CREATIVE RETREATS

Take a day, weekend, or week to get away to an inspiring place for workshops, meals, and recreation designed to bolster creativity. Enjoy the adventure of travel to beautiful surroundings combined with the pleasure of learning from top-notch artists. Participate with a group to learn arts and crafts in a conducive, relaxing, and refreshing environment.

A FEW FAVES

THE MAKERIE

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Ali DeJohn launched the Makerie in her hometown of Boulder to give people uninterrupted time for being creative in a nurturing setting. What began as weekend retreats in the Colorado mountains has expanded to include annual collaborative retreats in other regions with contemporary crafting and superb meals, as well as a parent-child creative camp weekend. Participants invariably return home feeling rejuvenated, empowered, and inspired with creative ideas.

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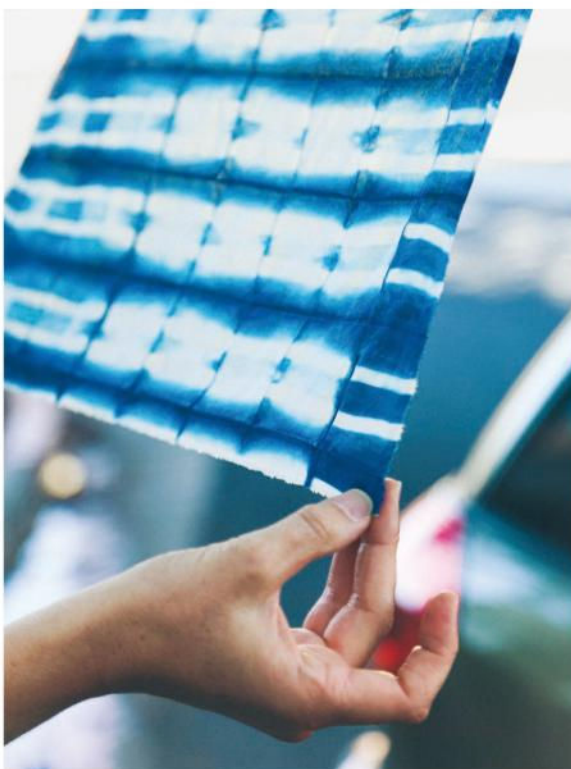
This economic initiative provides Santa Fe arts businesses and artists with the means to develop and promote workshops and other hands-on educational experiences. More than 200 participating artists offered 230 workshops and more than 500 calendar events were offered last year, encouraging visitors to explore and experience the local arts and culture.



TOP At a summer Makerie, stenciling fabric to make giant floor pillows is one of four different classes taken by each participant over the weekend. **LEFT** At an outdoor gathering at a weekend Makerie in Boulder, visitors relax in a peaceful setting and connect with others through creative pursuits as well as enjoy hiking, yoga, healthy meals, and quiet time. **ABOVE RIGHT** Another class at a Makerie weekend explores techniques of woodblock printing.

CREATIVE COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

If you love the handmade spirit, here's your chance to create in a casual, comfortable DIY haven and socialize while you learn. Sign up for a single- or multiple-day class or workshop—more of a party where you make stuff—and explore a topic, such as sewing, block printing, flower arranging, or home brewing—while you network and collaborate with others.



TOP LAB in Minneapolis makes life more Instagramable with workshops such as this one at Munster Rose, a local floral design studio. LEFT At a daylong workshop at Handcraft Studio School in Emeryville, California, participants learn about indigo dyeing and make a set of cloth napkins. ABOVE Spoon carving is one of many popular workshops at Handcraft Studio School.

A FEW FAVES

BROOKLYN BRAINERY

BROOKLYNBRAINERY.COM

Hosting crowd-sourced education for curious New Yorkers, the Brooklyn Braineries handles planning, marketing, sign-ups, and materials. Teachers are pros, hobbyists, and other curious adults. Laid-back classes cover crafts, cooking, and all sorts of practical and esoteric topics.

CRAFT LAKE CITY

CRAFTLAKECITY.COM

As a hotbed of Utah's DIY community, this nonprofit group promotes, educates, and inspires local artisans while elevating the creative culture through science, technology, and art in a range of workshops, events, an annual DIY Festival, and more.

HANDCRAFT STUDIO SCHOOL

HANDCRAFTSTUDIOSCHOOL.COM

Dedicated to preserving handcrafts while supporting local artists, this California business hosts workshops ranging from letterpress printing to natural perfumery, plus field trips and handcraft markets.

LAB

LABMPLS.COM

Unleash your inner creative at a LAB workshop designed to inspire and bring people together to learn a new skill, connect, and have fun in Minneapolis with seasonal topics. Calligraphy, photo styling, or wreath making, anyone?

WORKSHOP SF

WORKSHOPSFORG

DIY classes for adults in San Francisco are taught by local makers, designers, and small-business owners. "Anyone can learn something from a book or online, but we create fun experiences with rad teachers," cofounder Kelly Malone says.

ONLINE LEARNING

Turn screen time into self-education at low or no cost. Typically the process involves reading, listening to an instructor, and viewing a video how-to anywhere, anytime, and at your pace. Take a class over and over, or create a plan to structure your studies, set goals, follow through, and track results. Tap into an online community of kindred learners for support.

A FEW FAVES

CRAFTSY

CRAFTSY.COM

Pick an area of interest: sewing and quilting, home and garden, yarn and fiber arts, art and photo, and more. Once you buy a class of video lessons, it's yours for life to watch on demand. Patterns, project ideas, supplies, and individual guidance from instructors are available, too.

CREATIVEBUG

CREATIVEBUG.COM

For \$4.95 a month, members receive unlimited access to online video classes that can be added to a personal library and kept forever. Classes are crafted for accessibility for all skill levels to spark creativity in a range of DIY interests (sewing, quilting, knitting, home improvement, paper arts, and more).

DABBLE

DABBLE.CO

This marketplace connects people with learning, whether you take, teach, or host a onetime class. The platform makes it easy for people to expand their horizons by signing up for a class in cities, such as Chicago, Denver, St. Louis, Austin, San Francisco, and Orlando. Affordable class fees are set by teachers.

DEAR HANDMADE LIFE

DEARHANDMADELIFE.COM

This aunt-and-niece team have a passion for empowering creative people. The aim is to help crafters and artists make a living doing what they love by offering online workshops, podcasts, a blog, DIY kits, and an annual conference/craftcation.

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ABOVE View videos online or download the mobile app to enjoy classes at *creativebug.com*, including furniture refinishing, drawing, and more. LEFT Sewing and quilting top the list of popular online classes at *craftsy.com*. “Zip It Up” offers easy techniques for zippered bags.

SKILLSHARE

SKILLSHARE.COM

Anyone can access hundreds of classes designed to bring creative ideas to life. Most bite-size classes last less than an hour and focus on a project. Start for free, then join monthly or annually. Build a portfolio of work, get feedback, participate in online discussions, read others' class notes, and become a teacher.



SUSTAINABLE + TRADITIONAL LIVING

Here, learning and making are part practice, part journey, part lifestyle. Some workshops will empower you to live in harmony with nature and be more self-sufficient; others promote more resilient communities. Folk schools typically teach traditional skills, such as blacksmithing, shoemaking, beekeeping, and wood carving.

A FEW FAVES

NORTH HOUSE FOLK SCHOOL

NORTHHOUSE.ORG

Hands-on classes inspire lifelong learning for students of all ages at this haven for traditional northern-region crafts and their low-tech methods. Build a yurt or a canoe; make snow skis or a birch bark basket; turn wool into fabric or clay into dishes. Classes, demonstrations, and seasonal programs attract students and visitors year-round to Grand Marais, Minnesota.

REMAKE.LIFE

REMAKE.LIFE

DIY diva Michele Diane Brown is an Iowa artisan/entrepreneur dedicated to connecting people with an innate desire to live a naturally resourceful and creative lifestyle. Demonstrating her passion, Michele leads a class to turn 2x4s into 20 different and beautiful projects. The DIY diva encourages and inspires you to make the same sort of creative magic in an array of workshops at her studio.

WILDCRAFT STUDIO SCHOOL AND WILDCRAFT WEST

WILDCRAFTSTUDIOSCHOOL.COM

Launched by artist-designer-teacher Chelsea Heffner, the center in White Salmon, Washington, and an extension in Portland, aims to dissolve divisions between art and everyday life. Mostly one-day classes bring nature to studio work, aesthetics to the garden, and design-thinking to all projects. Hunt wild mushrooms, dig native clay, dip beeswax candles, weave baskets, and much more.



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OPPOSITE, CLOCKWISE FROM TOP Newbie foragers learn sustainable ways to gather wild berries and herbs at Wildcraft Studio School in Washington State. They proceed indoors to prepare dishes with their finds. Wildcraft workshops in leather crafting include design, construction, and finishing techniques. TOP During a workshop at Remake.Life in Van Meter, Iowa, Michele Diane Brown shows participants how to transform 4×4-inch wood tiles into personalized art. ABOVE LEFT Students are encouraged to be hands on at Remake.Life. ABOVE RIGHT At Remake.Life, all the tools, supplies, and reclaimed materials needed for projects are provided.

WOODSHOPS + MAKER SPACES

Community-based workshops provide public access to tools and work space. The place may be set up as a sophisticated woodshop or a more diverse maker space (stocked for woodworking plus software and equipment for 3-D printing, welding, powder coating, plastics fabricating, commercial sewing, scanning, laser cutting, and more). Start with an orientation class and safety training before signing up for a membership.



ABOVE *Do It Yourself* editors, designers, and producers gather at a local woodshop in Ankeny, Iowa, to learn woodshop basics from carpenter/teacher Joe Morrissey and to fabricate cutting boards.

A FEW FAVES

ART DESIGN PORTLAND

ADXPORLAND.COM

What started as a DIY maker space in Portland has become a workplace for designers, builders, and entrepreneurs as well as hobbyists and artists. Individuals and organizations use the space to share knowledge and tools and to build the local community of thinkers and makers.

COMMUNITY WOODSHOP

COMMUNITYWOODSHOPLA.COM

In Los Angeles, build your skills, from general to fine woodworking, wood turning, cabinetmaking, and furniture building. Options include \$150 for a one-month membership or two hours of private lessons and \$350 for four-part basic woodworking classes.

SOULCRAFT WOODSHOP

SOULCRAFTWOODSHOP.COM

This Cleveland hub accommodates woodworkers of all sorts. Classes are designed around skill levels: Begin with the basics of creating with wood, then proceed to project design, woodworking fundamentals, and fine joinery. A gallery provides artisans with a place to show and sell their work.

TECHSHOP

TECHSHOP.COM

Located in cities nationwide, these member-based maker spaces are billed as playgrounds for creativity. Part workshop, part learning center, Techshop provides the equipment, software, and staff to help DIYers develop technical skills, ideas, prototypes, and products.

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OFFICE PARTY

Enjoy working overtime—and juxtapose industrial and glam touches—when you furnish your space with these easy projects: a wired memory board with clipped-on ephemera, an easy-does-it desk on top of sawhorses, a flirty chair, and a rustic bookcase built of crates. A festive wall oversees it all.



SHELF HELP

HARNESS THE SAWHORSES' STORAGE POTENTIAL BY ADDING SHELVES MADE FROM RECLAIMED BOARDS CUT TO LENGTH.

HOME WORK

Energize your office space with an easy wall treatment and budget-friendly projects that add industrial edge.

PROJECTS **JODI MENSING HARRIS** PHOTOGRAPHS **NICOLAS GOURGUECHON** WORDS **DEBRA STEILEN**

① CONFETTI CHIC

Make work fun with a festive accent wall. First, roll on deep blue latex paint; let dry. Next, trim the end of a foam brush into an oval (A); dab a metallic paint mixture (we used two parts Modern Masters Antique Bronze, one part Black Pearl) onto the wall. Rotate the brush tip, clustering strokes at the top and spacing them apart toward the bottom.



② **WIRED UP** Keep mementos in view by clipping them to a wire grid. Using heavy-duty wire snippers, cut a steel remesh sheet (found at home improvement stores) to your desired size (B). (If rusty, sand and prime before painting.) Spray on high-gloss white enamel paint; let dry. Repeat to cover all angles. Attach memorabilia with mini bulldog clips.

MIDNIGHT DREAM
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BEHR.COM



CUTTING EDGE

ALLOW PLENTY OF FABRIC TO HUG THE CHAIR'S CURVES WITH ENOUGH LEFT OVER FOR TRIMMING TO EXACT SIZE ONCE THE DECOUPAGE MEDIUM IS DRY.

3 TAKE A SEAT Give a shapely chair a new attitude with fabric. Remove legs, and put the chair on a protected table. Place fabric over the chair, smoothing it flat. Cut fabric roughly the shape of the chair. Apply a thick layer of decoupage medium to the fabric; it will cling to the chair and stiffen as it dries. Trim the fabric again, leaving about an inch of excess (A). Brush on a second coat of decoupage medium; let dry. Using a pen, trace the chair's edge on the wrong side of the fabric. (Hold a piece of light cardboard against the right side of the fabric to steady the pen.) Carefully cut along the line (B). Seal the seat and edges with a final coat of decoupage medium. Spray-paint the legs gold; reattach when dry.



BUDGET BREAKDOWN

CHAIR \$79
FABRIC \$32
DECOUPAGE MEDIUM \$7
SPRAY PAINT \$6
TOTAL // \$124



4 DOT-TO-DOT CURTAINS Upgrade curtains in seconds without sewing a stitch. Press or steam curtain panels sized to fit your windows, then lay them flat on a table. Apply a dot pattern using a dimensional paint (such as Tulip Beads in a Bottle) that creates hard, self-rounding beaded accents (C). Let the paint beads dry before hanging the curtains.



BUDGET BREAKDOWN

SAWHORSES \$36
MELAMINE BOARD \$30
VENEER BANDING \$8
SPRAY PRIMER \$6
SPRAY PAINT \$6
TOTAL // \$86

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5 HORISING AROUND

For an unfussy work surface, combine a white melamine panel with sawhorses. Cut the board to the desired size using a table or circular saw. Disguise the cut edges with iron-on mahogany veneer edge banding (A). Measure and cut the edge banding to fit around the desktop, then center the veneer and apply it according to manufacturer's directions. Stain and seal the veneer if desired (we left ours unfinished). Prime, then spray each sawhorse (hitting all sides) with three thin layers of glossy white paint for hard-to-adhere-to surfaces. (We used Rust-Oleum Professional High Performance Enamel.) Let dry between coats.

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6 A BOLDER HOLDER

Organize pencils, pens, and other supplies in a pretty pencil holder that sparkles with energy. Cut your chosen stencil to fit the vessel (B). (We used a ceramic toothbrush holder.) Adhere the stencil with painters tape, and mask the rest of the holder to protect it. Spray lightly with metallic gold paint. Let dry; remove stencil and tape.

STACK THE DECK

GET CREATIVE WHEN CONFIGURING CRATES. ARRANGE THEM IN A ROW TO FIT BENEATH WINDOWS. USE A VERTICAL STACK TO FILL A NARROW SPACE. ARRANGE THEM IN A STAIR-STEP DESIGN FOR AN ASYMMETRICAL LOOK.

7 CRATE EXPECTATIONS

Give plain-Jane pine crates an authentic industrial-chic patina by distressing them with your favorite shop tools. Sand sharp corners to create rounded ones. Scrape crate edges with a hammer. Hit the sides of the crates with a bag of screws. Hammer random holes with an awl. Once you've done enough damage to simulate decades of wear, use a natural-bristle brush to coat the wood with a penetrating oil-base stain (A). (The stain helps highlight the distressed areas, *right*.) Wipe off extra stain with a rag. Once the crates are dry, stack them in your desired configuration, and screw them together.

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“THE SCREWS ARE EASY TO REMOVE IF YOU DECIDE YOU WANT TO CHANGE UP THE CRATE ARRANGEMENT DOWN THE ROAD.”

JODI MENSING HARRIS, PROJECT DESIGNER

ON THE MOVE

Who says rentals can't have personality, too? This apartment is packed with portable style.

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① **UNEXPECTED TOUCHES** Artwork, curtains, and custom furniture don't sound like the stuff of a rental space, but handy couple Sarah and David Dorsey's temporary take on good design elevated the look of their rental.



MEET THE HOMEOWNERS

Sarah and David Dorsey shared this two-bedroom apartment in Knoxville, Tennessee, with their two dogs—beagle-Jack Russell mix Annabelle and Yorkie-dachshund mix Charlotte.



how to make a wall panel

To add interest to a large wall while sparing it a lot of nail holes, cover it with fabric. Use spray adhesive to attach 2 or 3 yards of fabric to a drop cloth. Fold and glue the fabric around the edges of the canvas on each side for a finished look. Fold the top edge over a thin wood strip and staple in place (A); repeat along the bottom edge. Screw the canvas to the wall (using screws in just the corners reduces the amount of touch-up work required later).



David Dorsey's job with a construction company has moved him and his wife, Sarah, from Tennessee to California to Ohio, back to Tennessee, and most recently to Maryland.

While crisscrossing the country, the couple has signed many short-term leases but never accepted the style restrictions of renting. "Renting doesn't mean we can't make our space our own," says Sarah, an interior designer for model homes.

Their most recent rental—this two-bedroom apartment in Knoxville, Tennessee—had wall-to-wall carpet and forgettable builder basics. Undeterred, the couple turned the bland beige box into a colorful home with some ambitious DIY projects and clever thrift store upgrades.

Sarah shares the couple's handiwork on her popular blog, sarahmdorseydesigns.blogspot.com. She also shares shopping tips (her favorite haunts are IKEA, Goodwill, and Craigslist) and simple ideas for creating affordable, portable style.

"Before you're in your forever home, most people rent at some point," she says. "People don't want to spend a ton of money, but they want it to be a reflection of themselves. If you can't paint, draperies and area rugs are the easiest ways to add personality and make a space



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feel like you're not renting. It's also great if you change your mind a lot, which I tend to do."

After years of the rent-and-run lifestyle, the Dorseys recently purchased a home near Washington, D.C. However, they are still sticking with white walls and filling the space with some of their favorite pieces from past rentals, including the tufted headboard and starburst artwork from this Knoxville apartment. "When I reuse something it means I really like it," Sarah says.

Sarah continues to fill her blog with DIY projects but expects them to become larger and take longer to produce. "With renting, we were only there a short time, so we were never afraid to just try something," she says. "With our home, we take longer to make decisions because they are bigger and more expensive. We want to make sure we'll love them for years to come."

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② BEST OF BOTH WORLDS True to her modern-meets-vintage style, Sarah filled the living room with a mix of old and new. A contemporary IKEA sofa is complemented by an antique chair and a revamped marble-and-brass table.

③ SOFA TABLE Why buy a sofa table when you can make one with more character for less money? Sarah tapped into David's carpentry skills to construct a poplar box, which sits atop iron hairpin legs she found at a thrift store. Simple lidded baskets below give the couple a spot to store blankets and dog toys.



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how to make a sofa table

MATERIALS

- 12 feet of 1x12 poplar
- Compound miter saw
- 2-inch screws
- Wood glue
- Clamps
- Four hairpin legs

Step 1 Cut the poplar wood (good side up) at a 45-degree angle into a 5½-inch length, a 60-inch length, another 5½-inch length, and a second 60-inch length. TIP: Cut the pieces in this order so the wood grain lines up.

WHEN YOU SPOT A GREAT BUY ON A BUILDING BASIC (LIKE THESE FOUR HAIRPIN LEGS FOR \$15), SNATCH THEM UP FOR FUTURE FURNITURE PROJECTS.

Step 2 Using a 90-degree angle, cut three 4-inch sections of poplar for the center dividers.

Step 3 Attach the dividers with 2-inch screws through the underside of the 60-inch bottom board into the dividers.

Step 4 Glue and clamp the top 60-inch board in place atop the dividers. Glue and clamp the side pieces in place. Let glue dry fully, following manufacturer instructions.

Step 5 Remove clamps. Seal the box with clear wax.

Step 6 Screw a hairpin leg into each bottom corner.



how to make pom-pom curtains

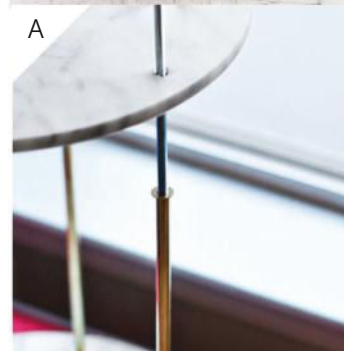
Use inexpensive pom-pom trim to dress up basic curtain panels (Sarah used IKEA's Lenda panels). Sew the trim to each panel's long inside edge, or attach it using no-sew, iron-on adhesive.

CAN'T INSTALL A CURTAIN ROD? PLACE A LINE OF PAINTERS TAPE AT THE DESIRED HEIGHT AND INSTALL CLEAR HOOKS WITH REMOVABLE ADHESIVE BACKING EVERY 8–12 INCHES. REMOVE TAPE. ADD CORRESPONDING LOOPS OF UPHOLSTERY THREAD FOR HANGING ALONG THE TOP AND BACK OF THE FABRIC.



how to refresh a side table

A \$15 thrift store find looks gorgeous when you replace the wood spindles with brass. Sarah Dorsey's version required six top nuts, 15 washers, three threaded zinc rods, six brass tubes, three regular nuts, and three cap nuts. If needed, use a drill with a masonry bit to enlarge the holes in the marble to accommodate the new rods. TIP: Drill underwater to keep the marble from cracking. Place top nuts on the top marble tier, screw in threaded rods from underneath and add washers. Cover rods with tubes (A) and finish with washers. Slide on second marble tier, then washers, tubes, washers, and final marble tier. For legs, add regular nuts over the bottom washers before covering the remaining rods with short segments of tubes. Finish with cap nuts.



④ MOD SQUAD

Although it was dark, bulky, and had a laminate top, Sarah couldn't pass up this midcentury dining table for \$7 at a thrift store. After removing some trim and spray-painting it bright white, it's now a perfect complement to her prized Chinese Chippendale chairs. "The look is really fresh and modern," she says.

⑤ OFF THE GRID

Rather than painting an accent wall in her temporary dining room, Sarah created a large framed canvas to serve as a focal point. She built a simple grid frame out of 1x2 boards and painted it white. After painting cheap artist canvas dark bronze, she stapled the fabric to the back of the frame. The piece is so lightweight, it takes only two screws to hold it in place—and that means only two holes to fill at lease end.

⑥ MATCH SET

When Sarah found a marble slab (originally a backsplash) on Craigslist, she jumped at the offer and decided to use it as a tabletop. She lucked into an affordable Overstock.com console table that was nearly the same size. In place of the wood top, she substituted the marble slab and two thin strips of marble on either side.





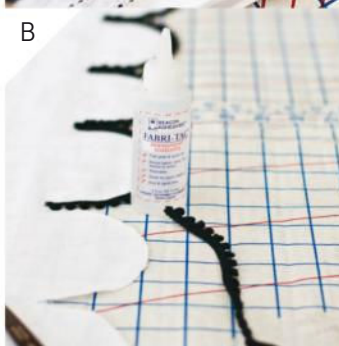
how to make a lacquered table lamp

Transform a brass lamp into a showstopper. Tape off the socket and cord and sand the base with medium-grit synthetic steel wool until the surface is rough. Smooth the surface with fine-grit synthetic steel wool. Remove dust after all sanding with a damp washcloth. Spray two coats of metal primer; sand with 320-grit sandpaper. Add two coats of high-gloss spray paint; sand between each coat with 400-grit sandpaper. Add another coat of paint; sand with 600-grit sandpaper. Finish with three coats of spray lacquer. (Note: Apply primer, paint, and lacquer in thin layers. Let each coat dry before sanding or applying another coat.)



how to make scalloped curtains

Add interest to simple drapery panels with scalloped edges and petite pom-pom trim. Draw a line across the middle of a plastic yogurt lid (A). Use the lid as a guide to draw scallops in pencil along the long inside edge of each panel. Cut out the scalloped edge. Attach tiny pom-pom trim on the top side of the fabric with fabric glue (B). Cut individual



strips of trim for each scallop to avoid bunching. Hang the panels from a curtain rod or follow rod-less hanging tip on page 57.



how to upgrade dining chairs

After a three-year search, Sarah found a pair of Chinese Chippendale chairs on Craigslist for just \$60. To showcase the fretwork, she removed the upholstered chairbacks, including hundreds of staples. After unscrewing the upholstered seats, she covered all staple holes and other flaws with wood filler. When dry, she sanded chairs with a foam sanding block and thin sanding pads to even out the wood filler and remove any finish. She applied two thin coats of spray primer (A) and finished with several coats of bright white glossy spray paint. Seat cushions re-covered in beige metallic linen provide a finishing touch.



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⑦ **EASY UPGRADE**

A master bedroom deserves an eye-catching light fixture. Sarah covered a brass chandelier with soft blue paint and topped it with a large drum shade. David installed the new fixture into the existing electrical housing but kept the original to reinstall when they moved.



FOR NO-FUSS CURTAINS, CUT FABRIC TO LENGTH AND SEW STRAIGHT HEMS AROUND THE EDGES. ADD RIBBON TRIM ALONG ONE EDGE USING IRON-ON TAPE. HANG THE FINISHED PANELS FROM DRAPERY CLIPS. SARAH CHOSE THIS \$10-A-YARD CHINOISERIE FABRIC AND LEMON YELLOW RIBBON TO INJECT COLOR INTO HER NEUTRAL BEDROOM.



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8 UNIQUE RETREAT Their apartment was a carbon-copy of neighboring units, but the Dorseys did their best to make it their own with pops of color, pattern, and texture. Sarah filled the top of a dresser with art, lighting, and accessories that reflect her personality and preferences.

BEFORE

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how to dress a closet door

Upgrade builder-basic closet doors by adding temporary grass-cloth panels. Create a frame for the door panel with 2-inch synthetic trim (cut the pieces with a crafts knife and join the corners and attach the center piece with fast-drying epoxy). Cut grass-cloth wallpaper to fit inside the frame and attach it to the back of the trim with heavy-duty tape. Attach the completed frames to the closet using removable adhesive strips (A).

how to make a tufted headboard

MATERIALS

- ½-inch plywood cut to 48x66 inches (for a queen-size bed)
- 2x4 boards, two 66 inches long and two 44 inches long
- 2x8 boards, two 60 inches long and two 12 inches long
- Screwdriver and screws
- Two 12x60-inch pieces of medium-weight chipboard (look at art and shipping supply stores)
- Staple gun and staples
- Drill with ⅜-inch bit
- 2-inch-thick upholstery foam
- Spray adhesive
- Upholstery needle
- 3 yards of 54-inch-wide upholstery fabric
- Button-cover kit and buttons
- Upholstery twine

Step 1 To create the frame, reinforce plywood by attaching a 2x4 frame to the back (66-inch lengths across the top and bottom; 44-inch lengths down each side). Add wings by screwing 60-inch 2x8 boards perpendicular to the 2x4s, flush with the top of the plywood. Add

legs by attaching 12-inch 2x8 boards to the 60-inch 2x8s below the plywood.

Step 2 Staple the outside edge of chipboard along the inside edge of each wing. Curve the board and staple the other edge to the plywood.

Step 3 Measure and mark desired hole placement for tufting on plywood and chipboard. Drill all the holes.

Step 4 Cut foam to fit top and legs and attach with spray adhesive. From the back, poke an upholstery needle through the tufting holes and cut each hole with scissors.

Step 5 Use button kit to cover half of your buttons with headboard fabric (the other half will be used on the back of the headboard).

Step 6 Place fabric across headboard and around wings with at least 10 inches overlap on all sides. To cover the legs, add a panel of fabric to each, folding top edge under to create a straight seam.

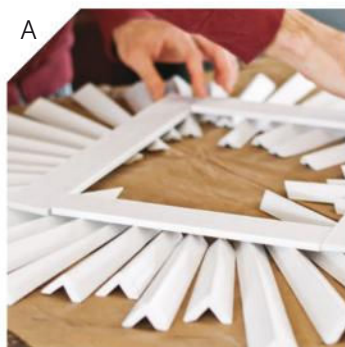


Step 7 Thread twine onto the needle, add uncovered button to end, and knot in place. Starting with the middlemost hole, push the needle from the back of the headboard to the front, pulling the button tightly in place in back. On the front, thread the needle through the hole on the back of the covered button, loop around, and return through the hole in the headboard to the back side. Pull the button as tight as possible, and tie into a secure knot. Repeat this process for remaining tufts. Staple excess fabric snugly in place around the back of the headboard.

9 COMPLEX COMPOSITIONS

Inspired by a Pinterest post, Sarah devised a plan to create this striking starburst artwork. When she turned to David for help, however, he didn't share her excitement. "Cutting and sanding all those pieces wasn't fun," he says. Similarly, the tufted headboard was the couple's most difficult upholstery project to date. Although the projects were challenging, Sarah and David were so happy with the results that both pieces are among the few things to make the move to their new home.

10 MIXED BAG "When thrift store shopping, be certain of your style and know exactly what you need," Sarah says. This approach allowed her to quickly pull the trigger on purchasing a campaign dresser and two similar but not matching nightstands. She loved them, knew where she could use them, and was certain they could be updated to feel cohesive.



how to make starburst art

Craft an abstract starburst from plastic corner molding. Cut the pieces to various lengths using a saw or utility knife and, using a belt sander, sand the ends at an angle for a finished look. Use epoxy to attach the first, outermost layer around the edge of a simple wood frame (A). Add additional layers on top, working toward the middle, to achieve your desired design. Secure the pieces to each other with epoxy, using tape to hold them in place while the glue sets.



how to rehab a dresser

Take a laminate campaign dresser from cheap to chic with a few simple tricks. Remove the corner plates with a pointed trowel (A) and unscrew the drawer pulls. Clean and polish the hardware using Bar Keeper's Friend. On the dresser cabinet, reinforce the drawers and other joints with wood glue. Cover any holes or scratches with wood filler. Use a random orbital sander with 100-grit paper to make the entire surface paintable. Remove dust, then add two thin coats of primer. Lightly sand with a foam sanding block and wipe clean. Apply three thin coats of white acrylic latex interior paint. When the paint has cured, reinstall the hardware.

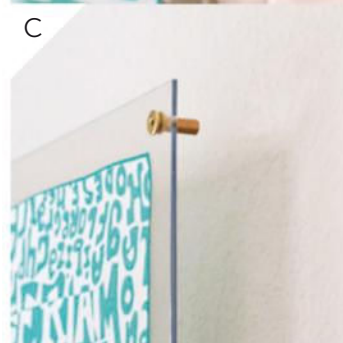
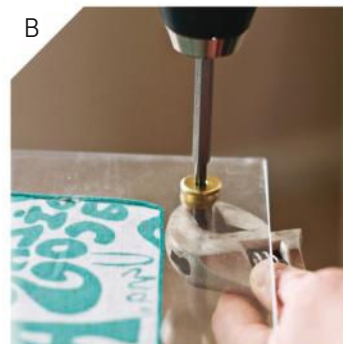


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how to turn a scarf into art

A vintage Vera scarf becomes stunning wall art. To create the frame, have a hardware store cut two pieces of acrylic 4 inches taller and wider than your scarf. Gently drill holes into the corners of each acrylic piece and sandwich your scarf between the pieces. Place a washer on a flat-head bolt, thread it through the hole (B), add a washer on the underside, and finish with a coupling nut. Attach it to the wall using smaller screws that fit inside the nuts (C).





TRASH

TO

TRELLIS

Crafted from salvaged treasures, these garden structures will send vines scrambling skyward.

PROJECTS **KASEY & JORDANA HENKE** PHOTOGRAPHS **ADAM ALBRIGHT**
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TENDRILS HOLD TIGHT TO A TRELLIS AS ANNUAL FLOWERING VINES RACE UPWARD, BEARING BEAUTIFUL AND FRAGRANT BLOOMS.



ROLLING UP

Make your own wheel trellis by gathering four to six bicycle wheels in various sizes. Check with your local recycling or salvage center for low- or no-cost wheels. Coat the rims and tires with spray paint for a pop of color. Let dry. Arrange the wheels in a rough rectangular shape so each wheel is touching at least two other wheels. Attach the wheels to each other at their points of contact by drilling holes and securing hex-head bolts, washers, lock washers, and nuts, *opposite* and *above*. Measure the rectangular shape created by the attached wheels. Add 3 feet to the length measurement. That additional length will be partially sunk into the ground to support the trellis. Form a frame, based on your measurements, from plated steel slotted angle, found at home improvement stores. Use hex-head bolts, washers, lock washers, and nuts to connect the slotted angle at each corner, working carefully to ensure the corners are square. Then connect the bike tires to the frame using bolts.







SALVAGE SAVVY

PREVENT OLD WINDOW FRAMES FROM SPLITTING BY DRILLING PILOT HOLES BEFORE ADDING SCREW EYES.



GARDEN VIEW

Suspended from a porch beam, vintage windows create a pretty trellis and view into the landscape beyond.

Begin by collecting several old window frames. Remove glass if necessary. Measure the length and width of the space where your trellis will hang. Using the measurements as a guide, arrange the window frames on the ground, leaving several inches between each frame. After the layout is set, attach the top window to the beam or ceiling using four screw eyes and two S hooks, *above right*. Check for level and adjust the screw eyes as necessary.

Continue attaching windows together with screw eyes and S hooks, *above left*. Attach the lowest window to the porch floor with four screw eyes and two hook binders, *right*, which will limit overall movement of the trellis.



HANDLE IT
LEAVE HARDWARE,
LIKE THIS HANDLE,
IN PLACE—IT
ADDS CHARM AND
ANOTHER CLIMBING
SPOT FOR VINES.



NO NEED FOR A SCREEN

An old screen door, purchased at a vintage shop, and salvaged wood combine to create a trellis with rich patina. Begin by removing the screen from the door. Gather lumber, preferably vintage pieces with eye-catching color or texture. Use a table saw to cut the lumber into 2-inch-wide strips. Cutting the strips to length as necessary, create a simple geometric pattern or two inside the door frame. Nail the salvaged wood to the door frame, *above*. You can seal the finished trellis with varnish to preserve the wood, or leave it unfinished and allow it to weather naturally. Anchor the trellis to the ground by attaching it to two 4-foot-long U-channel posts that are sunk 2 feet into the ground.



GREAT GARDEN VINES

Long stems and twining tendrils make these vining plants perfect candidates for trellises. For quick color, choose an annual flowering vine. If you would like a vine that returns year after year, go with a perennial vine.

ANNUAL VINES



HYACINTH BEAN is a long-blooming and easy-to-grow vine that will decorate a trellis with flowers until the first frost in fall.

VEGETABLE VINES



CUCUMBER VINES are easy to train to a trellis. Using soft pieces of cloth—an old T-shirt cut into strips works well—tie the young tendrils to the trellis. Soon the vine will take off and begin climbing on its own.

PERENNIAL VINES



CLEMATIS boasts blooms in many colors and flower types. Choose your favorite cultivar and water regularly during the first year to help the plant get established.



MORNING GLORY unfurls its circular blossoms when the sun comes up and then closes them in the heat of the day. Soak seeds over night before planting to soften their hard seed coats.



POLE BEANS are known for their copious production of French, Roma, or shelling beans. Many bean varieties are available as a climbing plant; look for “pole bean” on the package.



CLIMBING HYDRANGEA is an elegant vine for shade. It has clusters of fluffy white flowers for several weeks in summer.



SWEET PEAS are prized for their fragrance, and the blossoms make wonderful cut flowers. Plant seeds in early spring and enjoy blossoms in early summer.



SUGAR SNAP PEAS thrive when planted in early spring and harvested in early summer. Or plant a fall crop in late summer and harvest in midfall.



HOPS rapidly produce 15- to 20-foot-long vines that are decorated with yellow-green pinecone-shape flowers. The vine dies back to the soil in winter. Prune old growth.

COPPER TONES

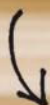
Warm metallic hues are easy to love and don't cost a pretty penny when you rely on hardware and crafts store supplies.

PROJECTS **KAREN BRADY & SARA PEREZ**
PHOTOGRAPHS **JAY WILDE**
WORDS **SARA PEREZ**



COPPER TAPE

COPPER FOIL TAPE IS AN ELECTRICIAN'S STAPLE. IT QUICKLY FANCIES UP VASES AND THE EDGE OF OUR UNFINISHED SHELF. 3M.COM



① **FOILED AGAIN** A rugged tree slice gets a brilliant makeover when layered with copper leaf. We generously applied gilding adhesive and copper sheets to the flat surface until we had consistent coverage and shine. For an aged effect, you can apply fewer metal sheets and let some wood grain show.



② SHELF UPGRADE

Basic brackets become lovely accents when treated with metallic spray paint. Apply three light coats for a thorough, durable finish—and don't forget to spray all screwheads.

③ LIGHTEN UP

A copper-painted pendant brightens a room from all vantage points. A metal primer and a slow and steady motion while painting minimize drips on the curved shade.

④ SUNSET GLOW

Throw pillows are an easy way to experiment with metallic touches. Copper fabric paint (we combined Martha Stewart Crafts Multi-Surface Copper Paint and an acrylic medium such as Liquitex Slow-Dri Fluid Retarder) and a foam brush create an uneven edge and variegated effect.

⑤ SHIMMERY STRING

Add a monogram or other design to plain pillows by attaching metallic cording with clear-drying fabric glue and a few reinforcing stitches.

⑥ ROUGH BEAUTY

Give hardworking burlap an opportunity to shine by lightly coating a scrap in metallic spray paint. A white mat hides frayed edges, and a glass-free frame puts all the focus on the fabric's nubby texture.





COPPER SPRAY PAINT

WE TRIED SEVERAL SPRAY PAINTS AND LOVED THE LUSTER OF RUST-OLEUM'S VINTAGE COPPER. RUSTOLEUM.COM



⑦ GRIT & GLITZ

For this custom headboard, we installed leftover laminate flooring on 1/4-inch plywood cut to span the bed. We cut hardboard strips to match the flooring pattern, wrapped them in thin copper sheets, *opposite*, and affixed them with construction adhesive. A frame of white trim with miter-cut corners finishes the piece, which is hung on the wall with a French cleat.

⑧ SHINY SILHOUETTE

We traced a pretty profile onto a thin sheet of copper using a fine-point permanent marker, then cut out the image using detail scissors. Sketch a floral background on thick crafts paper with a metallic paint pen (we used a Sharpie in Bronze) and attach your head-turning likeness with construction adhesive.



THUNDERBIRD

675, BENJAMIN MOORE;
BENJAMINMOORE.COM

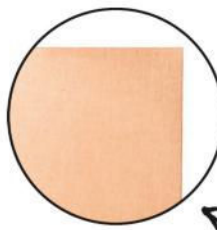
YOU'LL LEAVE
YOUR MARK WHEN
CUTTING AND
FOLDING THIN METAL
SHEETING. EMBRACE
THE CHARMING
IMPERFECTIONS.





FIND DETAILS TO BUILD
THIS SIDE TABLE:
BHG.COM/PIPETABLE

9 PIPE NIGHTSTAND Spend some time in the plumbing aisle combining pipe and elbows (the curved pieces) to fashion a cubical table base. You can have your pipe cut at most home improvement stores, or do it yourself with a pipe cutter. We used the laminate flooring and painted trim from the headboard project to fashion the tabletop, then connected the base and top with U clamps (A). **TIP:** If you want copper pipe to stay bright and shiny, finish it to stop oxidation. Scratch the metal with emery paper, then seal it with spray polyurethane.



COPPER SHEETS COPPER SHEETS COME IN VARIOUS THICKNESSES. WE USED 5-ML (36-GAUGE) SHEETS BECAUSE IT'S PLIABLE FOR FOLDING AND WRAPPING YET STURDY ENOUGH TO AVOID TEARING. BASICCOPPER.COM



POPULAR GRAY

SW6071, SHERWIN-WILLIAMS;
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS.COM





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SPRAY PRIMER

METAL HARDWARE WAS A CINCH TO UNIFY THANKS TO SPRAY PRIMER APPLIED BEFORE A COPPER TOP COAT. ZINSSER.COM

10 AT YOUR SERVICE

We made this entry butler from a 11x16-inch wood slice and an array of hardware and office store standards that function as clamps for test tube vases and a hang bar outfitted with S hooks.

11 **FANCY FEET** To take a console table from fine enough to fancy, tape 6 inches from the bottom of each leg and spray with a coat of primer for glossy surfaces, then two coats of copper spray paint.

12 COPPER COATED

Bands of copper foil tape add Art Deco-inspired flash to a blah slab door. After a long time adhered to a surface, the tape may leave behind sticky residue that can be removed with citrus cleaner and a plastic scraper.

FOR RESOURCES SEE PAGE 108.



WALL OVERHAUL

One wall at a time, this Texas blogger turned her neutral home into an oasis of color, pattern, and personality.

WORDS **KATELYN PHILIPP & AMY PALANJIAN** PHOTOGRAPHS **ALISE O'BRIEN** STYLING **BRENDA WEGNER**





Lindsay Ballard's mission was simple: to banish beige from her Austin, Texas, home, one room at a time.

Offsetting a tiny budget with a generous supply of creativity, she chose bold hues and graphic patterns to match the energy of each member of her young family. "There is no room that has the same personality as any other room. They all stand on their own," she says. Flea market furnishings, quirky collections, and custom art complement her wow walls and extend her eclectic style to every corner. She blogs about her projects and lessons learned at makelyhome.com.

HERRINGBONE ◀ PANEL WALL

"The mood in this room is nothing short of inspiring," Lindsay Ballard says of the panel wall in her home office. To get the look, calculate the number of planks needed to make a herringbone pattern on your wall; divide planks into three equal piles. Wipe on wood conditioner with a lint-free cloth. Let sit for 15 minutes; remove excess. Stain each pile a different shade of brown; let dry. Find the wall's center point and draw a 45-degree angle with a framing square and a level. Line up one board on the mark and secure it to the wall using a power brad nailer and two 3/8-inch brads in each board. Place three more boards, fitting the tongue and grooves together and attaching with brads. Continue placing boards to build a herringbone pattern (A). At the floor, mark 45-degree angles on the boards at the bottom. Trim with a miter saw.

PRODUCT PICKS



PINE TONGUE-AND-GROOVE WALL PLANK
lowes.com // \$11 for 9.33 square feet of coverage



PRE-STAIN WOOD CONDITIONER
minwax.com // \$12

STAIN COLORS



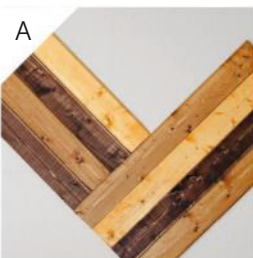
ULTIMATE WOOD STAIN IN SUMMER OAK
rustoleum.com



ULTIMATE WOOD STAIN IN KONA
rustoleum.com



WOOD FINISH STAIN IN PROVINCIAL
minwax.com



▲ PAINT BY NUMBERS

A vintage score of a painting that resembled her childhood dog started Lindsay's collection of paint-by-number kits. Each pup painting in her office has a coordinating frame, although she purposefully seeks different frame styles so she can easily grow the collection.

“I DON'T WANT MY HOUSE TO LOOK LIKE EVERYONE ELSE'S HOUSE.”

LINDSAY BALLARD, HOMEOWNER/BLOGGER



▲ CHEVRON WALL

To re-create the high-contrast look of Lindsay's master bedroom, paint the entire wall the lighter of two colors. Cut a chevron template from foam-core board. Tape off stripes using the template, a laser level, and 1-inch painters tape. Use a foam brush to dab the light base color along the edge of the tape that marks the color transition; let a little paint seep underneath. Smooth the paint with the brush and let it dry completely, which seals the tape and prevents the second color from bleeding. Paint inside the tape lines with the second color. Remove the tape before the paint dries.

PAINT COLORS



DARK GRANITE
behr.com

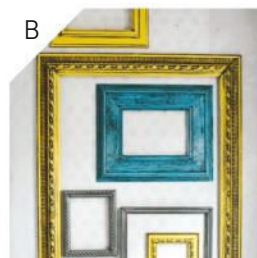
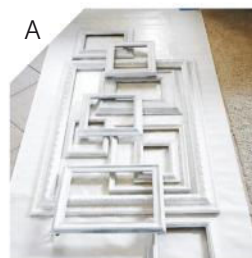


POWDERED SNOW
behr.com



▲ LAYERED FRAMES

Lindsay's interconnected collection of frames makes a big impact in a small space. Gather your own group of frames in various sizes and designs. Measure the space on the wall and lay out paper in a corresponding size. Remove any artwork and glass from the frames, prime, and let dry. Arrange frames on the paper (A) and trace layout. Label each outline and frame with corresponding numbers, then paint the frames as desired and let dry. Hang the template on the wall with painters tape, position and hang all the base frames with nails (B). To layer a frame, drill a hole in the back of the top frame, and insert a small finishing nail with the head clipped off. Hammer the top frame into place. After your top layer is in place, take down the entire piece, flip it over on a towel-covered work surface, and drive additional nails through the frame backs to secure the top layer. Remove the paper template and rehang the display, using adhesive poster strips for extra security.





PRODUCT PICK

PRE-TAPED PAINTER'S PLASTIC scotchblue.com // \$7

PAINT COLORS



GARDEN PARTY
glidden.com



ONYX BLACK
glidden.com



**MARTHA STEWART
LIVING POLISHED SILVER**
homedepot.com



**MARTHA STEWART
LIVING VINTAGE GOLD**
homedepot.com



PEACOCK BLUE
glidden.com

GEOMETRIC WALL

Mary Blair, the artist who designed Disney's Small World ride, is known for using bright colors and a profusion of simple graphic shapes. To mimic Blair's mod look, Lindsay painted an intricate mural on walls at her home's entry. To do this at your home, start by painting the wall a base color. Draw a grid using a pencil, laser level, and straightedge. Fill sections with geometric designs, varying the scale. Label sections with the intended paint colors. Cover nearby surfaces with taped drop cloths (A). Working with one paint color at a time, fill the design using artist brushes. (Lindsay used a 1/4-inch flat brush.)



THE WORK OF MARY BLAIR
INSPIRED LINDSAY'S
HAND-PAINTED WALLS.



WALL STENCIL

Lindsay livened up a small powder room with a wall stencil that's visible from her home's main hallway. To enrich your own small space, paint the base color and let dry. Secure the stencil to the wall with spray adhesive. Dip a mini roller into contrasting paint and roll it in the tray until it no longer looks wet. Roll out on a paper towel, then over the stencil four or five times. Remove the stencil, clean, and reposition, using spray adhesive. Touch up with a small paintbrush.

PRODUCT PICKS



**WHITE DOVE MINI
ROLLER COVER**
purdy.com // \$12 for 3-pack



**MOORISH CIRCLES
MOROCCAN STENCIL**
royaldesignstudio.com // \$23

PAINT COLORS



SMOKED TURQUOISE
glidden.com



**ENGLISH CHANNEL
INTERIOR/EXTERIOR**
behr.com





RUST-OLEUM'S FURNITURE TRANSFORMATION KIT INCLUDED EVERYTHING LINDSAY NEEDED TO GIVE THIS 1960s STEREO CABINET A GLAZED FINISH.

MIDNIGHT GLAZE KIT, \$35;
RUSTOLEUM.COM

▲ BOLD STRIPES

Stripes add a bold punch to the playroom. To get a similar look, paint the wall the lighter color. Let dry. Slightly overlap two strips of painter's tape applied vertically from ceiling to baseboard, using a corner or door frame to keep the line plumb. Mark the desired place for horizontal stripes across the two strips. Peel off one strip and reapply it across the wall, using a laser level to align marks. Use the laser level to guide the placement of horizontal tape on each pair of marks. Remove vertical tape. Press on the tape edges that mark the color transition. Dab on light paint with a foam brush and let a little seep under the tape; smooth the paint. Let dry to prevent the second color from bleeding under the tape. Paint two coats of the stripe color (A) and remove the tape while wet. Touch up as needed.



PRODUCT PICKS

SCOTCHBLUE PAINTER'S TAPE
MULTI-SURFACE
scotchblue.com // \$10

DIGITAL LASERTRAC 24-INCH LEVEL
craftsman.com // \$70



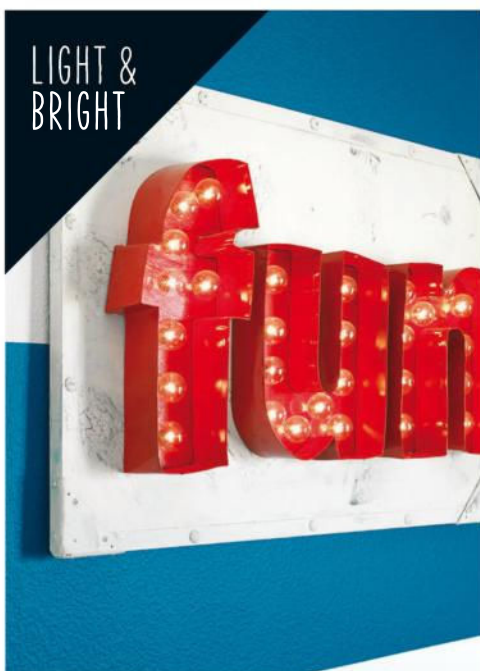
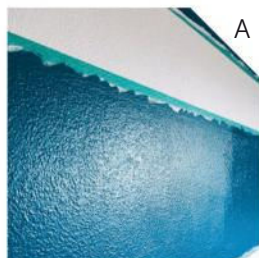
PAINT COLORS



PEACOCK BLUE
glidden.com



FLAT WHITE
glidden.com



LIGHT &
BRIGHT

▲ MARQUEE LETTERS

After seeing vintage marquee letters fetching high prices online and at flea markets, Lindsay made her own. You can, too. Trace letter shapes onto $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch plywood and cut out with a jigsaw. Drill holes for lights using a spade bit sized to fit the light base on a strand of party lights with removable bulbs. (Lindsay used a $\frac{7}{8}$ -inch spade bit.) Wrap strips of aluminum roof flashing around the letter forms, tacking in place with staples. TIP: Wear gloves while shaping flashing. Trim excess flashing with tin snips. Prime and paint the letters with spray paint and let dry. Mount your letters on a piece of sheet metal or $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch plywood with construction adhesive. (Lindsay's plaque is a 24x36-inch piece of sheet metal wrapped in trim and treated with a distressed paint treatment.) Drill holes for lights through the backing piece. Thread lights through holes and secure. Tuck cords behind the plaque, holding everything in place with cloth tape.

FOR RESOURCES SEE PAGE 108.

5 DIY IDEAS TO STEAL

Add bold color and pattern with these products inspired by Lindsay Ballard's head-turning style.

WORDS **KATELYN PHILIPP & OLIVIA ALBERS**



1. AUTHENTIC APPEAL Light up your walls with a 12-inch letter designed by husband-and-wife artists and made from reclaimed rusty metal for an antique look. Starting at \$129; vintagemarquellights.com



2. CUT IT OUT To get Lindsay's frame wall art in half the time, use frames that are already painted and distressed. Multiple sizes and finishes available. Starting at \$18 each; therustyroom.etsy.com



3. ROLL AND GO A stencil is another way to bring large-scale chevrons to your walls. Chevron Allover pattern, \$32; cuttingedgestencils.com



4. BY THE NUMBERS

Turn any photo into a paint-by-number masterpiece. Upload a photo, select your color scheme, and receive a complete kit ready for painting a few days later. \$39 for 8×8-inch canvas kit, larger canvases available; easy123art.com



5. CRISP EDGES Create sharp paint lines on heavily textured walls with a combination of FrogTape and a liquid sealant. Apply tape, then brush on a clear polymer that reacts with water in latex paint to instantly seal tape edges. \$17 for kit; frogtape.com

OUT OF THIS WORLD

A handy family pulls out all the stops to create a space-theme bedroom.

PROJECTS **KIMBERLY MORGAN METZ**
PHOTOGRAPHS **JAY WILDE**
WORDS **NANCY RICHMAN MILLIGAN**



VISIT BHG.COM/SPACEART TO DOWNLOAD A COPY OF THESE PRINTS.

THIS PHOTO There's no need to buy new when redecorating a room. Homeowners Kim and Ray Metz painted an IKEA dresser from son Nathan's room the same shade of blue as the walls. Kim designed the playful space art on the computer.

LUNAR SLEEP SPOT!

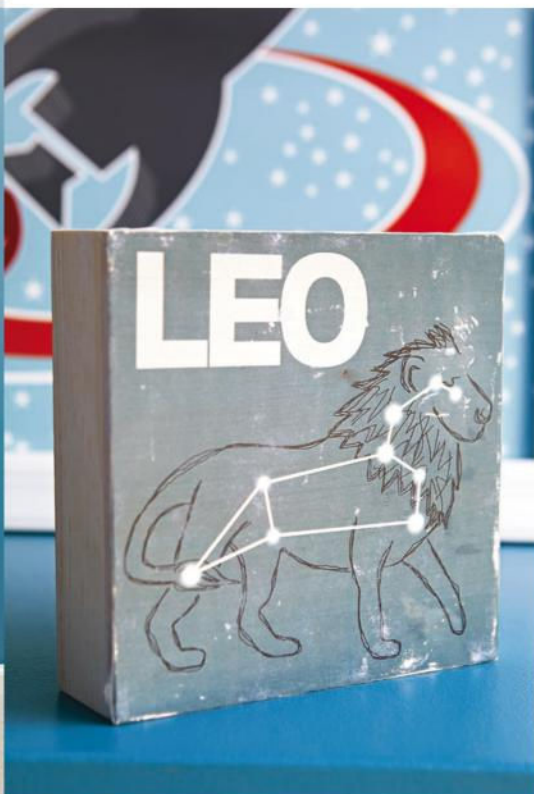


Color, fun, and personal style were homeowner Kim Metz's prime priorities when it was

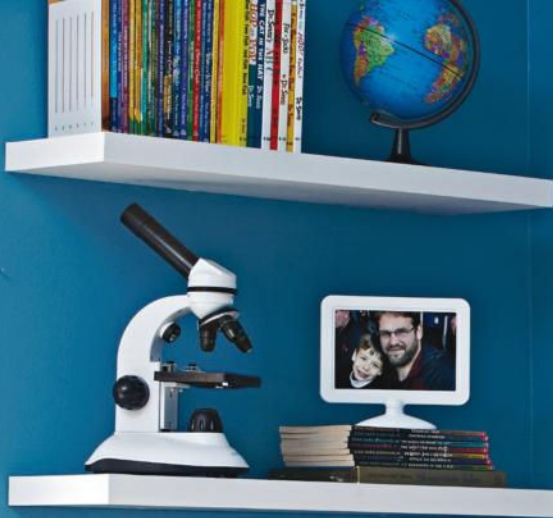
time to redesign her son Nathan's bedroom. "I'm not big on store-bought if I can do something myself," Kim, an art director, says. "I prefer to make one-of-a-kind things."

While her husband, Ray, took care of building and painting tasks, Kim let loose her creativity with original space-theme art and accessories. Even Grandma got into the act, sewing a window valance that reflects the lively pops of green and orange that Kim sprinkled throughout the room.

They repurposed furniture and added a few thrift store finds. Most of the furnishings are neutral enough to grow into the future and adapt to decor changes. "We didn't want to spend a lot since we'll likely change it up in a few years," Kim says.



TOP Rather than paint directly on the wall, Kim created a moonscape on a hollow-core door painted the same blue as the walls. She applied swirls of white latex paint to simulate the craters of the moon, layering on texture while allowing some blue to show through. **ABOVE LEFT** A thrift store nightstand with a midcentury vibe gets a fresh new look with white paint on the cabinet and metallic silver on the drawers. **ABOVE RIGHT** Kim designed this constellation art on the computer, flipped it to a mirror image, and printed it on an ink-jet printer. She used decoupage medium to adhere the paper to a painted wooden block and transferred the ink. After the paper dried, she applied water and rubbed her fingers in a circular motion, removing the paper but leaving the transferred design on the wood.



SECURE BLUE

SW 6508,
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS;
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS.COM

COSMIC
READING
NOOK!





BUDGET BREAKDOWN

8×10-INCH BASSWOOD
CANVAS \$12
5 SILICONE BANDS \$8
SPRAY PAINT \$5
TOTAL // \$25

OPPOSITE Taking up much less floor space than a conventional bookcase, these wall-hung book holders are painted basswood canvases turned backward and screwed to the wall. (See “What to Do with a Wood Canvas,” *page 22*, for more ideas.) LEFT Colorful, oversize silicone bands are configured different ways to hold books, magazines, and important papers. BELOW LEFT Canning jars with labels give Nathan a visual reminder of how to begin managing his money. BELOW RIGHT Kim designed the Leo symbol art on the computer, printed it on fabric transfer paper, and then ironed it onto a pillow cover.



BUDGET BREAKDOWN

MELAMINE SHELF **\$15**
3 BRACKETS **\$21**
WIRE CUBE SHELVING
SYSTEM **\$33**
SPRAY PAINT **\$4**
4 LIDDED PROJECT
BOXES **\$66**
5 PLASTIC BINS **\$65**
TOTAL // \$204

STELLAR
STUDY
STATION!



ABOVE Nathan's desk is really a budget-friendly shelf supported by brackets screwed to the wall. Freestanding wire cubbies were spray-painted silver (including the plastic corner-connector pieces) and fitted with various bins and boxes to hold toys and art supplies. As Nathan gets older, he can swap out the boxes for magazine holders or fill the bins with hanging file folders.

BELOW LEFT For the cost of paper and paint, you can create original watercolor art following Kim's tips. She began by drawing a grid of boxes in pencil, then painted colorful visions of the planets. "When doing a series of designs, vary the scale and position of what is inside the box," Kim says. "The beauty of watercolor is its organic, imperfect nature." She finished the design by outlining and labeling the boxes with a permanent marker. BELOW RIGHT Instead of attaching the ribbon-trimmed fabric valance to the window shade, Kim and Ray screwed it to the bracket above so it can be changed easily. "I'm big into not permanently attaching things, especially in kids' rooms," Kim says. "It's fun to reflect their personalities, but preferences change quickly."

FOR RESOURCES SEE PAGE 108.



3 DIY IDEAS TO STEAL

Launch a young astronaut's style with these products.



1. SNAP TO IT

Perfect for Nathan's wall-mount book holders, these silicone bands are also great all-around organizers and are available in nine colors. \$10 (for five-pack of 9-inch bands); grifiti.com



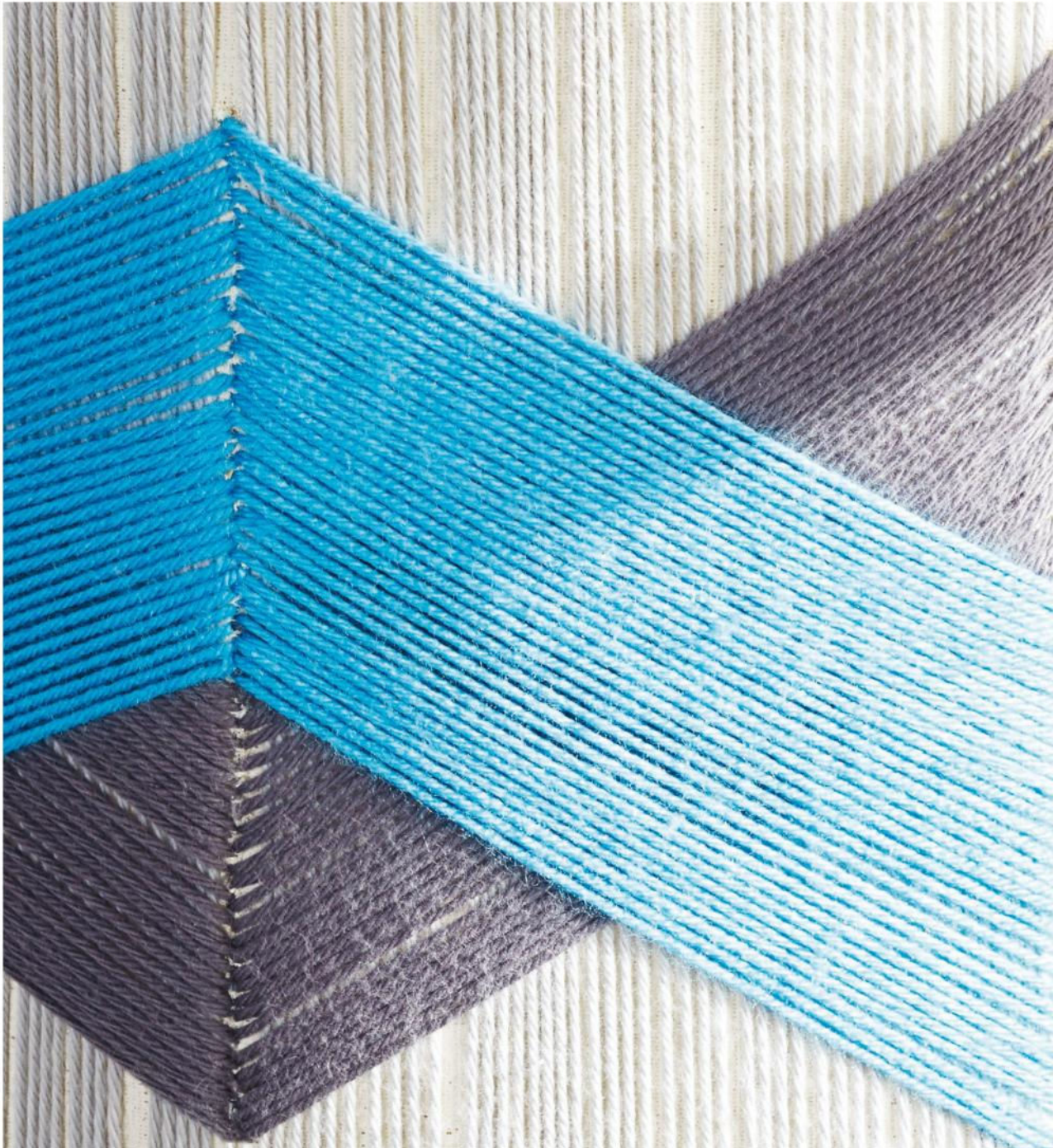
2. CUSTOM COSMOS

Make your interplanetary journey more colorful with this kit that includes a cotton pillow cover and 12 fabric markers. \$31 (for 16×16-inch size); poutysprouts.etsy.com



3. HEAD SPACE

Ground control to Major Tom! Add a headboard behind a twin-size bed in seconds with this repositionable rocket-theme vinyl decal. \$36; wallpops.com



common threads

Traditional embroidery gets a modern makeover with easy stitches on a variety of unexpected surfaces.

PROJECTS **KATIE LEPORTE** PHOTOGRAPHS **ADAM ALBRIGHT** WORDS **HEIDI PALKOVIC**



ADD BORDERS TO THE SHADE BY WEAVING PINK AND GRAY YARN UNDER AND OVER THE VERTICAL BACKGROUND STITCHES.

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① MADE FOR SHADE

Long stitches refresh a tired lampshade. Punch holes close together along the top and bottom edges and in 6-inch vertical sections through the center around the shade. Stitch light gray vertical background lines with yarn, then use dark gray yarn to stitch from the bottom half of one line to the top half of the next to create a zigzag, *opposite*. Switch colors and direction of stitches.

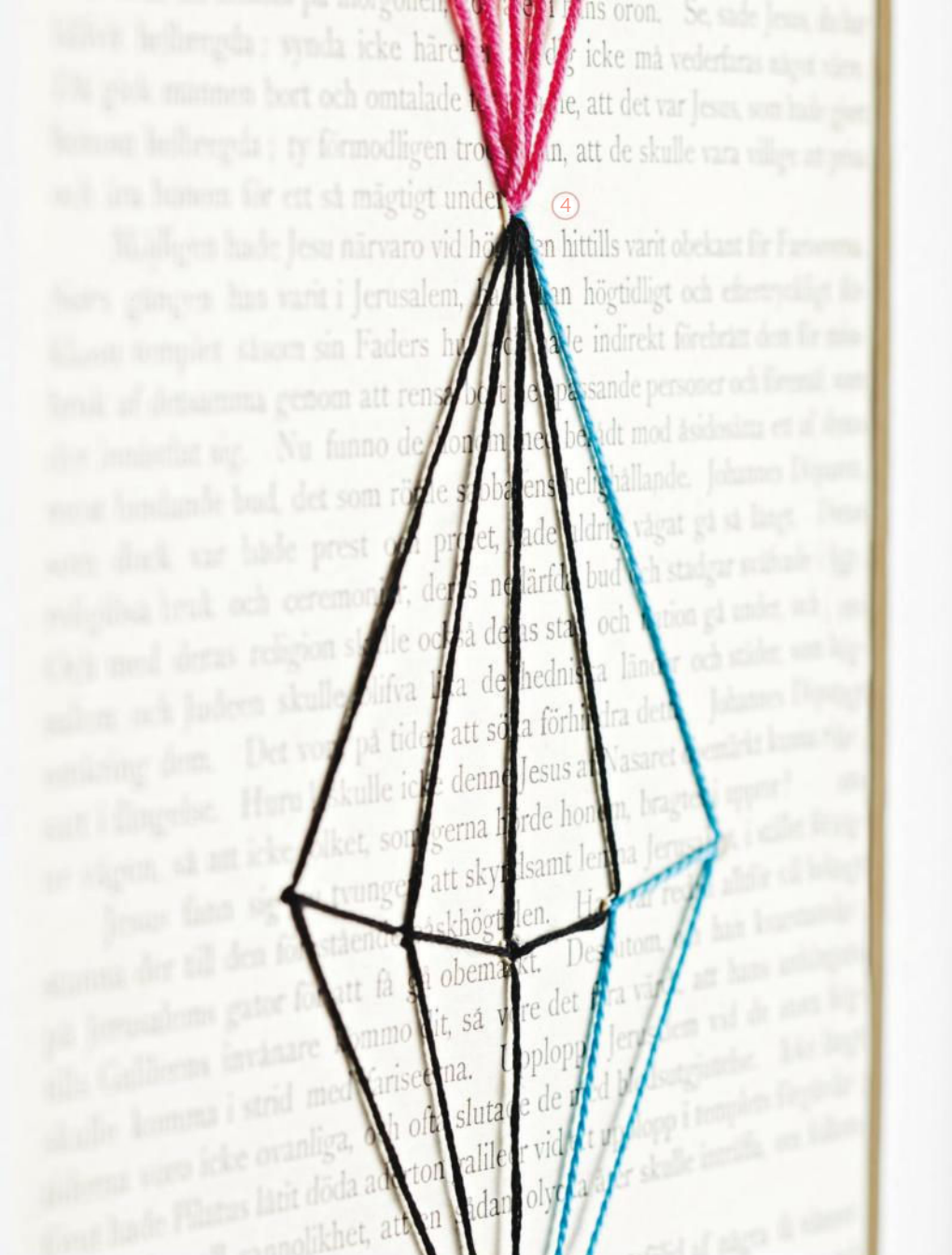
② **X FILES** Shades of pink, coral, and gold create an ombré effect on this pillow. Plot a design on graph paper (we planned for 1/2-inch-wide cross-stitches), poke a hole in the center of each X, then lay the paper on a purchased pillow cover with a loose weave. Transfer the pattern by marking each hole on the fabric. Cross-stitch the design, working the rows from dark to pale hues of floss.

③ FOR THE PICKING

Cherry tree branches extend across a pair of canvases. Stretch white linen across assembled 36-inch stretcher bars; staple to back of frame. Lay jute twine across the canvas and shape into branches, tack with small stitches, and wrap with gold cord. Trace the flower and birdcage patterns found at BHG.com/StitchPattern, and straight-stitch along the lines with assorted fibers.

A STITCHED SCARF BECOMES
ART WHEN MOUNTED IN A
FRAME. USE TAPE TO SECURE
IT TO THE FRAME BACKING.





④ SIMPLE GEOMETRY

Salvage a faded page from an old book (or photocopy one at a light toner setting), and use it as a background for this framed embroidery. Download the prism pattern at BHG.com/StitchPattern. Mount the book page on cardstock and follow the pattern to pierce stitch holes through the paper with a sharp needle before stitching the outlines in aqua, black, and pink.

⑤ TIME TO ACCESSORIZE

Let embroidery floss be your medium for a scarf with a coloring-book look. Stitch shades of coral, orange, and green on the white areas of the black-and-white design, using both long and short straight stitches and selectively coloring a few blooms. Add French knots (see BHG.com/BasicStitches) to the flower centers for added texture.

⑥ PHOTO FINISH

Give a vintage photograph a modern edge with embroidery. Print a black-and-white photo onto white cardstock, pencil beginning and ending points for diagonal lines around the subject, and connect the points with metallic threads, yarn, and embroidery floss. Straight, back, chain, stem, and running stitches are all good choices for stitching straight lines.





⑦ **CHERISHED CHAIR**

Save a worn-out rattan chair from the junk pile and use your creativity to give it new life. Remove the old rattan from the seat, and wrap black twine around the seat frame from front to back. Weave contrasting twines under and over the black twine. Use chunky yarns to cross-stitch a floral design onto the intact rattan on the chairback.

⑧ KNOW THE DRILL

X marks the spot on a wooden bed frame turned bench that's adorned with simple cross-stitches. Using a drill bit sized wider than paracord, mark and drill an 8x14-inch grid of holes through the bench back, spacing the holes about 1 inch apart like a pegboard. Stitch in the desired pattern. For a modern Scandinavian style, limit the palette to three colors of paracord.



TAPE A NEEDLE TO THE
END OF THE PARACORD
FOR EASY STITCHING.





9

HIDE THE KNOTS ON
THE BACK OF THE
STITCHES TO PREVENT
SHOW-THROUGH FROM THE
BACK OF THE SCREEN.



9 SCREEN TIME

Black and white fan-shape stitches enhance the honeycomb pattern on a purchased folding screen. Knot a 3-foot length of yarn 5 inches from the end, thread needle, insert from back of screen, and straight-stitch the center of the fan. Angle stitches on either side of the center stitch, and tie the yarn ends in a neat knot on the back.

5 DIY IDEAS TO STEAL

These clever embroidery tools, kits, and materials will leave you in stitches.



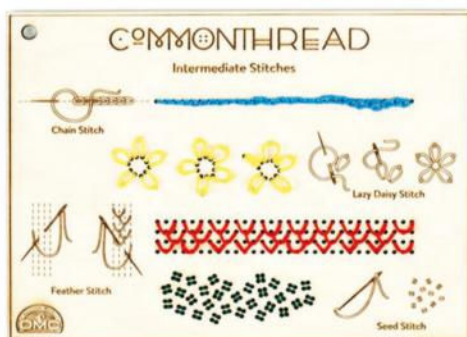
1. IN THE THICK OF IT Half the challenge of working with multiple plies and bulky fibers is getting them through the eye of a needle without breaking or stripping them. The flat metal tip of the Embroidery Threader slips through the needle's eye while compressing the fibers for easy threading. \$10; clover-usa.com



3. A BLANK CANVAS Today's embroidery needn't be solely on fabric. Bucilla String Creations Stitch Blanks are 8-inch plywood pieces with laser-cut holes that are the perfect size for floss or yarn. How you stitch or string each piece is up to you. Choose from round border, square border, or map designs. \$6; plaidonline.com



4. GET IN SHAPE Add this innovative thread to your stitching repertoire when you want a 3-D effect. Memory Thread is a pliable, wrapped copper wire that you can bend and shape. It makes curves, spirals, and swirls a cinch to form. It's available in 28 colors that match DMC embroidery floss. \$3; dmc-usa.com



2. WHAT A STITCH Learn the basics or take your embroidery skills to the next level with handy wooden cards that you can stitch on. The set includes three laser-etched 5x7-inch birch cards in three skill levels, along with 12 colors of embroidery floss, scissors, needle, and needle threader. \$85; commonthread.us



5. FOLKY FOXES Take the work out of transferring a pattern and finishing your stitchery with this folk-art inspired fox design on a premade pillow cover. The pattern is printed on the fabric, so it's ready for stitching through the unzipped opening. \$28 cover only; \$32 includes floss and instructions; sublimestitching.com

BUDGET
BREAKDOWN

PAINT \$8
ART PAPER \$2
2 MATS & FRAMES \$24
TOTAL // \$34

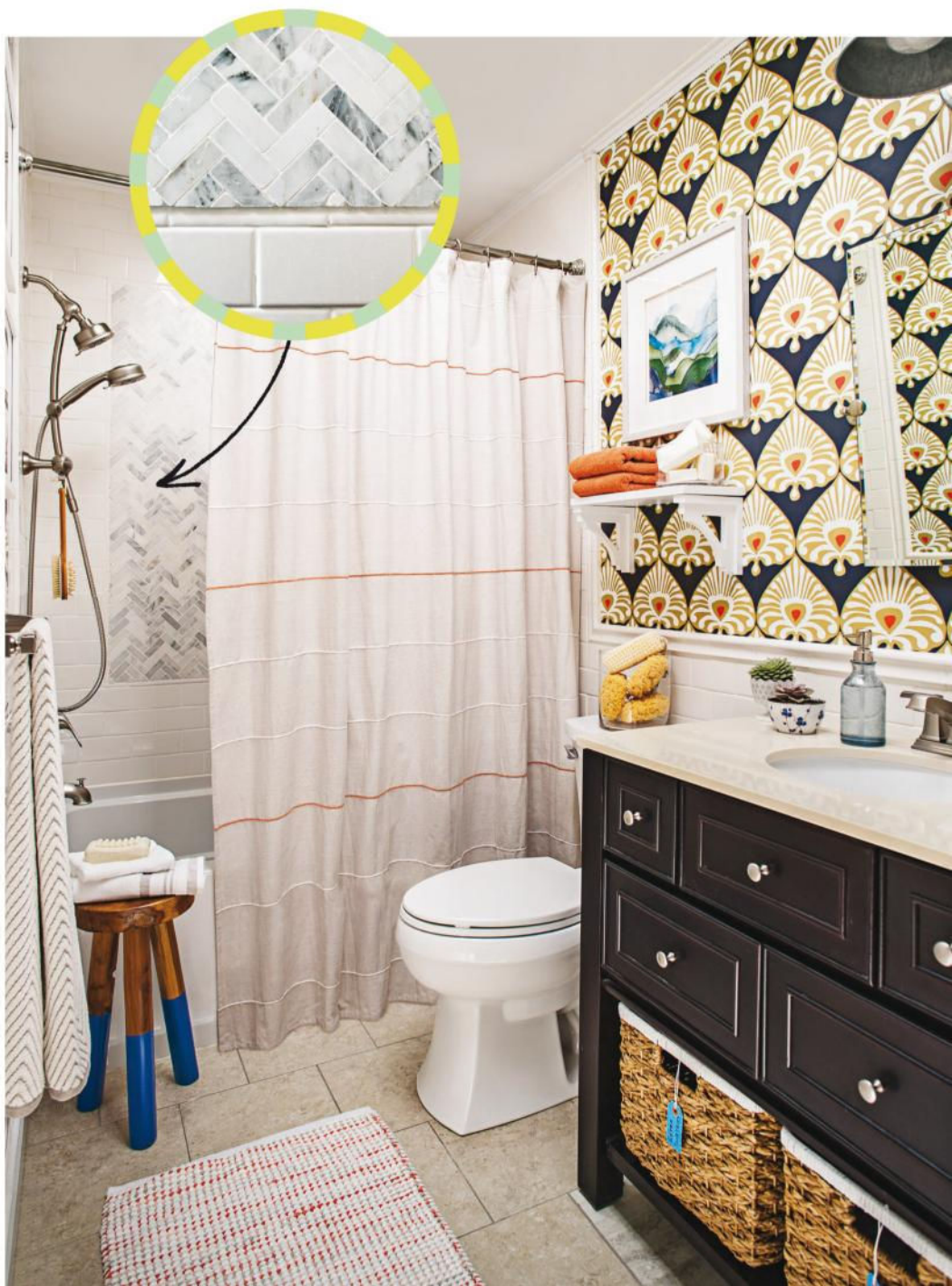


BATHING Beauty

Roll up your sleeves and upgrade your bath in a major way with tile, wallpaper, and fixtures.

PROJECTS **JENNA BURGER** PHOTOGRAPHS **JOHN BESSLER** WORDS **MEGAN BOETTCHER**

OPPOSITE A fashionable bath is within your reach. Set and grout the subway wall tile first, then add the wallpaper above. (Visit BHG.com/DIYWallpaper.) Once the glue is dry, install the trim tile so it overlaps the wallpaper. Simple wall art starts with using a ruler and a pencil to mark dots about $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart on an $8\frac{1}{2}\times 11$ -inch sheet of art paper. Apply a colorful assortment of crafts paints to the marks with your fingers. Mat and frame for a polished look. RIGHT Add interest to a shower with a marble tile inset pattern. Draw an outline on the wall where the inset tile will go. Set the subway and thin liner tiles around the designated area. For the inset, find the center of the space and set the first mesh-backed tile panel. Work up and out from the center piece. Cut to fit edge pieces within the border.





COLOR OPTION

OUR UNIFORM LOOK ISN'T THE ONLY WAY TO GO. PAINT EACH LEG A DIFFERENT COLOR. OR APPLY BANDS IN SEVERAL COLORS FOR A MORE PLAYFUL LOOK.



HOW MUCH WALLPAPER
DOES YOUR BATH NEED?
BHG.COM/WALLBASICS



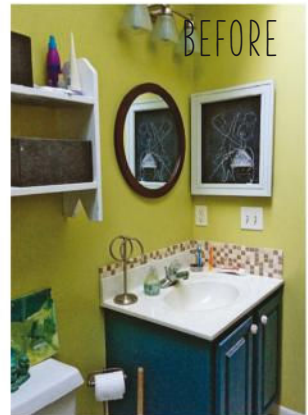
PALMETTO
INKWELL BLUE/KHAKI
(WALLPAPER),
SERENA & LILY;
SERENAANDLILY.COM

OPPOSITE Create an unexpected splash of color by painting the legs of a stool. Flip the stool upside down and measure the height of the area to be painted. Place painters tape around each leg. Paint the legs and let dry. Remove the tape and coat the entire length of each leg with polyurethane. ABOVE Forgo the standard vanity light. Install an industrial outdoor wall sconce centered above the vanity mirror. RIGHT Sand an unfinished wooden shelf. Prime and paint the shelf white so it doesn't compete with the bold walls. Finish with a polyurethane top coat to combat moisture. Frame a print you find online—or paint one yourself using watercolors.





LEFT Refreshed once with chalkboard paint, an old medicine cabinet makes way for a stylish tiled niche. Cut the mosaic tile sheet to size, and apply it to the back wall using thinset; let dry. Install subway tile on sides, and incorporate marble slabs for shelves. Grout, and finish with trim tile. BELOW LEFT Install an open vanity and faucet after tiling the wall. Boost storage with baskets on the vanity's open shelf. Attach large paper tags with twine to label the baskets.



5 DIY IDEAS TO STEAL

Unleash your creativity with DIY products—and projects—inspired by Jenna Burger's bath design.



1. EASY UP, EASY DOWN

Bold wallpaper ups the style factor in a small bath. Make life easier on yourself and select a removable wallpaper with a trendy design from Chasing Paper. When you want to switch the design, it'll be easier to remove. \$35 for a 2×4-foot panel; chasingpaper.com



2. TAKE A MODERN DIP

Start with the Skogsta stool from IKEA for a dipped leg piece that boasts contemporary lines. Made of naturally durable acacia wood, it's a great option for a damp bath environment. \$19; ikea-usa.com



3. PATTERNS MADE EASY

You can confidently install a complex tile pattern when you select an option, such as this Allen + Roth herringbone pattern, that comes mounted on a mesh backing so there's no need to lay out each piece by hand. \$11 for a 13×13-inch panel; lowes.com



4. UPGRADE WITH EASE

A new showerhead can update the look—and improve the performance—of a bath without the messy construction of a complete remodel. Moen's Caldwell showerhead with hand shower is a simple swap, and the base adheres to the shower wall with a suction cup. Available at Lowe's for \$109; moen.com



5. PUT YOUR STAMP ON IT

Create a custom color palette for your own fingerprint wall art with the colorful Basics line of acrylic paints from Liquitex. Its heavier body means it will retain peaks and textures. For a frameless look, use a wrapped canvas for your finger-painted masterpieces. \$5 each; michaels.com

TURN TABLES

When a store-bought coffee table just doesn't cut it, create your own design that stands out from the crowd.

PROJECTS **LORI HELLANDER**
PHOTOGRAPHS **JAY WILDE**
WORDS **BECKY MOLLENKAMP**



how to make a tire table

MATERIALS

- Two same-size tires (clean and dry)
- Two unfinished wooden tabletop rounds (large enough to cover tire openings)
- Drill with 1/4-inch bit
- Eight bolts (at least 3 inches long) and nuts
- 36x45-inch natural-color cotton batting
- Staple gun and 1/2-inch staples
- 50 yards 1-inch-thick cotton cording (We used Wrights.)
- Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
- Cloth tape
- Glass round (diameter slightly smaller than tires)

Step 1 Gather supplies (A). Drill four evenly spaced holes around one tabletop 1 inch from the edge. Place the tabletop on a tire and drill through each hole into tire wall. Secure tabletop to tire with bolts and nuts (B). Repeat on second tire. Stretch batting tautly over one tire. Staple in place (C) and cut off extra batting.

Step 2 Stand covered tire on its side. Wrap cording around tire, leaving plenty of open space (D); secure cording as you work with hot glue. Wrap the second tire, but this time cover the tire with cording. When cutting the cording, wrap with cloth tape to prevent fraying (E).

Step 3 Stack the wrapped tires, placing the wood-round sides on the outside. Top with a glass round.



A



B



C



D



E



SAVE TIRES FROM THE LANDFILL!
MANY AUTO-BODY SHOPS AND
TIRE CENTERS WILL HAPPILY HAND
OVER USED TIRES AT NO CHARGE.
CRAIGSLIST IS ALSO A GREAT SOURCE.



KEEP IT
SIMPLE: FIND
FIVE RUGS FIRST,
THEN BUILD THE
PLYWOOD BOX
UNDERNEATH
TO SUIT.

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

PLYWOOD \$30
RUGS \$60
JUTE \$3
NEEDLE \$2
TOTAL // \$95

how to make a rug table

MATERIALS

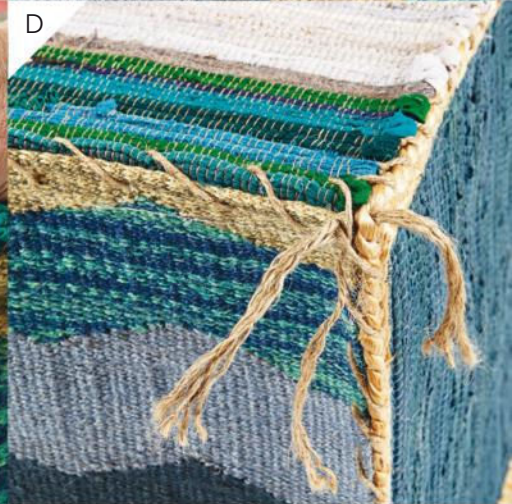
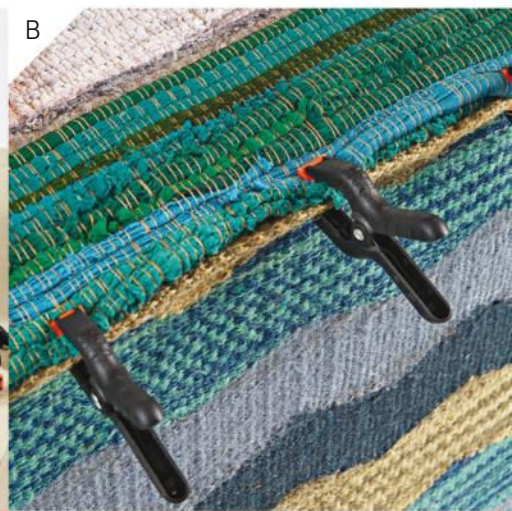
- 4x8-foot sheet of 1/2-inch plywood or medium-density fiberboard, cut into two 24x36-inch rectangles (top), two 23x36-inch rectangles (sides), and two 24x24-inch squares (ends)
- Wood glue
- Clamps
- 1-inch nails
- Hammer
- Five 2x3-foot rugs (cut two into 2x2-foot pieces for the ends)
- 8 yards jute twine
- Tapestry needle

Step 1 Gather supplies (A). Attach the two plywood end pieces to one side piece, using glue and clamps to hold in place, and nail to secure. Add the second side piece, then the top in the same manner.

Step 2 Use clamps to create a rug slipcover. Place one full rug on top of the box, and clamp two full side rugs and two shortened end rugs in place (B). Thread needle with jute and, working around the top rug first and then down each side, secure the rugs to each other with a whipstitch (C).

Step 3 For tassels, thread an 8-inch length of jute into each top corner (D). Add three more 8-inch lengths of jute to each corner, then untwist and fluff. Secure the tassels by tying them in place with the first lengths of jute (E).

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RESOURCES

SHOPPING GUIDE

Here's where to find building materials, furnishings, and accessories shown in Do It Yourself™ magazine. We cannot guarantee the availability of items or services.

[P] Paint Color Because of the magazine printing process, paint colors depicted on our pages might vary slightly from manufacturers' colors. Use paint color names or numbers, when provided, as a starting point. To get a color as it appears in the magazine, take the page to a paint retailer for matching.

[T] To the Trade
Contact a design professional to find more information about this product or service.

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Large agate pieces—Amazon; amazon.com, search: agate slice.

Small agate pieces—Science Center of Iowa; 515/274-6868; sciowa.org.

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Sideboard American Home Charlotte—Safavieh; 866/422-9070; safavieh.com.

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Frame—Michaels Stores, Inc.; michaels.com. **White framed artwork** from the book *Art for the Contemporary Home* from The Handmade Home book series—The Handmade Home; thehandmadehome.net.

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Wood board kiln-dried whitewood softwood board, countersink drill bit DeWalt—The Home Depot; homedepot.com (product line varies). **Painters tape**—ScotchBlue by 3M; scotchblue.com. **Paints on**

board, left to right: Orange Glow, Pumpkin Squash, Autumn Surprise, and Scarlet Sun purchased individually in sample size—The Valspar Corp.; 800/845-9061; valspar.com [P]. **Hooks with adhesive** Large Modern Metal Hooks—Command Brand; 800/934-7355; command.com.

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Ice cube bins Sterilite, **letter stickers**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; target.com (product line varies). **Spray paint** Fusion for Plastic Spray Paint in Satin Black by Krylon—Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.; walmart.com. **White vinyl-coated steel cup hooks**—The Home Depot; homedepot.com (product line varies).

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Wood kiln-dried whitewood softwood board, polyurethane spray for board sealant Minwax Fast-Drying Polyurethane Spray in Clear Gloss—Lowe's; lowes.com. **Paint** Enchanted Navy in sample size—The Valspar Corp.; 800/845-9061; valspar.com [P]. **Metal folding hook** Bjarnum, **white knobs** Eriksdal—IKEA; ikea-usa.com.

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Ottoman 3981-00, 31 inches, in Café Natural—Lee Industries; 800/892-7150; leeindustries.com. **Decal** Emerald Diamond by Holli Zollinger—Spoonflower; spoonflower.com. **Wood canvas** Unprimed Wood Artist Panel, 12×16 inches—Blick Art Materials; 800/828-4548; dickblick.com. **Paint for project** SW6927 Greenbelt—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; sherwin-williams.com [P]. **Cabinet pulls**

printed after purchase, **paint for pulls** Lowe's Gold Spray Paint—Lowe's; lowes.com.

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Canvas basswood canvas 12×12 inches—Walnut Hollow; walnuthollow.com. **Wallpaper** Fretwork Trellis in Mint Green—Ballard Designs; 800/536-7551; ballarddesigns.com (product line varies).

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Canvas Basswood Canvas, 6×6 inches—Walnut Hollow; walnuthollow.com. **Rectangular wood panel** Unprimed Wood Artist Panel, 12×16 inches—Blick Art Materials; 800/828-4548; dickblick.com. **Decorative paper** Myth Clover & Peacock On White Fine Paper—Paper Source; 888/727-3711; papersource.com. **Spray paints** Stops Rust Metallic in Racing Green 7252830, Metallic Spray Paint in Copper 1937830—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; rustoleum.com. **Wallpaper** 730-Ashford Stripes, JPO103, Ashford House—York Wallcoverings; 800/375-9675; yorkwall.com. **Moose head**—Cardboard Safari; cardboardsafari.com.

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Basswood canvases 8×8 inches and 12×12 inches—Walnut Hollow; walnuthollow.com.

Cotton floor runner

Pembetateau—CB2; 800/606-6252; cb2.com. **Umbrella stand** Kensington Umbrella Stand—Crate & Barrel; 800/967-6696; crateandbarrel.com. **Rhino head**—Cardboard Safari; cardboardsafari.com. **Backpack hooks** discontinued, similar items available—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; target.com (product line varies). **Other hooks**—Command Brand; 800/934-7355; command.com.

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Home Improvement Workshops The Home Depot; 800/466-3337; workshop.homedepot.com. **Rebuilding Exchange**, 1740 W. Webster Ave., Chicago, IL 60614; 773/252-2234, ext 5; rebuildingexchange.org. **K2 Workshops**, 7393 W. 97th St., Overland Park, KS 66212; 913/439-1581; k2workshops.org. **DIH: Do-It-Herself**; 408/247-5202; do-it-herself.com.

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Creative Retreats

The Makerie, P.O. Box 4810, Boulder, CO 80306-4810; 303/885-3807; themakerie.com. **Santa Fe Creative Tourism**; 608/792-5746; santafecreativetourism.org.

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Creative Community Workshops

Workshop SF, 1798 McAllister St., San Francisco, CA 94115; 415/874-9186; workshopsf.org. **LAB**, 1629 Hennepin Ave., Suite 300A, Minneapolis, MN 55403; labmpls.com.

Brooklyn Brainery, 190 Underhill Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11238; 347/292-7246; brooklynbrainery.com.

Handcraft Studio School, 5885 Doyle St., Emeryville, CA 94608; 510/332-6101; handcraftstudioschool.com.

Craft Lake City, 351 S. Pierpont Ave., 4B, Salt Lake City, UT 84101; 801/487-2551; craftlakecity.com.

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Online Learning

Craftsy, 999 18th St., Suite 240, Denver, CO 80202; craftsy.com. **Creative Bug**; creativebug.com. **Dear Handmade Life**; dearhandmadelife.com. **Dabble**, Chicago; 312/945-8011; dabble.co.

Skillshare; *skillshare.com*.

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Sustainable and Traditional Living

Remake Life, 408 Grant St., Van Meter, IA 50261; 515/996-2600; *remake.life*.

Wildcraft Studio School, 27 Bates Rd., White Salmon, WA 98672; 509/310-3344; *wildcraftstudioschool.com*.

North House Folk School, 500 Hwy. 61 W, Grand Marais, MN 55604; 888/387-9762; *northhouse.org*.

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Woodshops and Maker Spaces Community Woodshop, 2558 N. San Fernando Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90065; 626/808-3725; *communitywoodshopla.com*.

Soulcraft Woodshop, 3619 Walton Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113; 216/961-5668; *soulcraftwoodshop.com*.

Techshop; 800/640-1975; *techshop.com*.

Art Design Portland, 417 SE. 11th Ave., Portland, OR 97214; 503/915-4342; *adxportland.com*.

HOME WORK

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Decorative painter; Darcy Fangi, Darcy Paige Design; *darcypaigedesign.com*.

Wall paint Midnight Dream—Behr Process Corp.; 800/854-0133; *behr.com* [P]. **Metallic wall treatment** a mix of Antique Bronze and Black Pearl from the Modern Metallics collection—Modern Masters, Inc.; 800/942-3166; *modernmastersinc.com*.

Melamine desktop cut to size—contact local home improvement stores. **Iron-on mahogany veneer edging** Mahogany Hot Melt Edge Banding—Rockler

Woodworking and Hardware; 800/279-4441; *rockler.com*.

Metal sawhorses, stain for crates Red Oak by Minwax—The Home Depot; *homedepot.com* (product line varies).

Reclaimed wood boards for sawhorse shelves—Rebuilding Exchange, Chicago; *rebuildingexchange.org*. **Wood crates, stencil for pencil cup,**

decorative paint for drapery panels Beads in a Bottle by Tulip—Jo-Ann Stores;

888/739-4120; *joann.com*. **Paint for pencil cup** Super Maxx gloss white spray paint, **gold spray paint for stencil on pencil cup**—Krylon Products Group; 800/457-9566; *krylon.com*.

Rust-removal preparation for wired memory board Rust Reformer, **paint for wired memory board** Professional High Performance Enamel Spray Paint in White—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Chair for project** Pepper Mill—West Elm; 866/428-6468; *westelm.com* (product line varies). **Chair fabric** Eco Canvas Hand-Painted Watercolor Abstract in Coral and Yellow by Ivie Cloth Co.—Spoonflower; *spoonflower.com*. **Fabric adhesive and sealant**—Mod Podge by Plaid; 800/842-4197; *plaidonline.com*.

Linen drapery panels, Audrey Hepburn calendar—World Market; 877/967-5362; *worldmarket.com*. **Remesh for memory board, wire snippers**—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **White area rug** Faux Sheepskin 52482 in White—Home Decorators Collection; 877/537-8539; *homedecorators.com*. **Sea urchin on desk**—Furbish Studio; 866.241.8329; *furbishstudio.com*. **Desk lamp, Hello sculpture in crate, gold geometric sculpture, fox candle**—West Elm; 866/428-6468; *westelm.com* (product line varies). **Greeting cards, blue feather pen in pencil holder**—Anthropologie; 800/309-2500; *anthropologie.com*. **Woven basket on desk shelf, metal clips on memory board**—The Container Store; 800/786-7315; *containerstore.com*. **White flowerpot**—CB2; 800/606-6252; *cb2.com*.

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Fabric for panel homeowner's design—Spoonflower; *spoonflower.com*. **Fabric glue** Aleene's Fabric Fusion—Jo-Ann Stores; 888/739-4120; *joann.com*. **Floor lamp** Arco—Y Lighting; 866/428-9289; *ylighting.com*. **Sofa** Karlstad, **television stand** Expedit—IKEA; *ikea-usa.com*. **Lamps on**

sofa table Geodesic—Ross; *rossstores.com*. **Blue-and-white ottomans**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **Green-and-white Greek key pillow on sofa**—Trina Turk; *trinaturk.com*.

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Primer for lamp project Cover Stain—Zinsser Co., Inc.; *zinsser.com*. **Spray paint** Cadmium Yellow Light 5—Liquitex; 888/422-7954; *liquitex.com*. **Top coat** Lacquer Spray—Krylon Products Group; 800/457-9566; *krylon.com*. **Primer for dining table project** Kilz—Masterchem Industries, Inc.; 866/774-6371; *kilz.com*. **Paint** Glossy Enamel in White—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Fabric for dining chairs** Alchemy linen in Zinc, similar colors available—Robert Allen; 800/333-3777; *robertallendesign.com* [T]. **Fabric for curtain project** two white linen-look tablecloths—HomeGoods; 800/614-4663; *homegoods.com* (product line varies). **Small black pom-pom trim**—Hobby Lobby; 800/323-9204; *hobbylobby.com*. **Fabric glue** Fabri-Tac by Beacon—Jo-Ann Stores; 888/739-4120; *joann.com*. **Chandelier** Possini Euro design Glass Sphere 15-light P4847—Lamps Plus; 800/782-1967; *lampsplus.com*.

Console table base Holly & Martin Macen Console—Overstock.com; 800/843-2446; *overstock.com*. **Upholstered ottomans**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **Starburst mirror**—The Home Depot; *homedepot.com* (product line varies). **Pages 60-63**

Fabric for striped pillows on bed Calypso Tidepool Stripe Drapery D2664—Roth & Tompkins Textiles; *roth-tompkins.com* for a retailer near you. **Primer for dresser project** Kilz—Masterchem Industries, Inc.; 866/774-6371; *kilz.com*. **Paint** Pro Classic in Alabaster—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Lumbar pillow** Katsugi Pillow

Cover in Gold and Mushroom—F. Schumacher & Co; 800/523-1200; *fschumacher.com* [T]. **Framed artwork** *Bluebeard* by Britt Bass Turner, *Sunshine* by Kristi Kohut—Artfully Walls; *artfullywalls.com*. **Drum shade for chandelier**—Lamps Plus; 800/782-1967; *lampsplus.com*. **Toile fabric for drapery** Cidalia in Celadon—Robert Allen; 800/333-3777; *robertallendesign.com* [T]. **Bedside lamps**—Marshalls; 800/627-7425; *marshallsonline.com* (product line varies).

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Planters—find similar styles at HomeGoods; 800/614-4663; *homegoods.com*. **Chair on porch**—Hunt & Gather, Minneapolis; 612/455-0250; *huntandgatherantiques.com*. **Rug**—T.J. Maxx; 800/285-6299; *tjmaxx.com*.

COPPER TONES

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Geodesic terrarium—World Market; 877/967-5362; *worldmarket.com*. **Lampshade for pendant project** Black Pendant Lampshade by Style Selections—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **Primer** 123 Primer by Zinsser, **spray paint for lamp and framed burlap artwork** Vintage Copper—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Tree stump slice**—Save On Crafts; *saveoncrafts.com*. **Copper foil, gilding adhesive, frames**—Michaels Stores, Inc.; *michaels.com*. **Burlap for artwork**—Etsy; *etsy.com*, search: loose weave burlap. **Copper tape for shelves**—Basic Copper; *basiccopper.com*.

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Wall paint Thunderbird—Benjamin Moore; 855/724-6802; *benjaminmoore.com* [P]. **Copper pipe, tee and elbow fittings for side table project, wood flooring for tabletop and headboard** Tavern Oak Embossed Laminate by Style Selections, **adhesive for projects** Liquid Nails—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **Copper sheeting for**

headboard and silhouette—Basic Copper; *basiccopper.com*. **Coverlet** Ayar, **floral overlapping fabric decorative pillow** Crystal Dendrite—Anthropologie; 800/309-2500; *anthropologie.com*. **Bed linens and euro shams** Nate Berkus—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **Pages 76-77**
Wall paint Popular Gray SW6071—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Primer for table** 123 Primer by Zinsser, **spray paint for legs** Copper—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Wood plank for message board**—Save On Crafts; *saveoncrafts.com*. **Copper supplies for message board**—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **Test tubes** similar available—Hobby Lobby; 800/323-9204; *hobbylobby.com*. **Copper tape for door**—Basic Copper; *basiccopper.com*. **Tray on table** Smith & Hawkin Boot Tray, **copper-look baskets**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **Scarf, bag**—T.J. Maxx; 800/285-6299; *tjmaxx.com* (product line varies).

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Wood for wall Ever True 32-inch pine tongue-and-groove plank paneling—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **Stains for wall** Kona and Summer Oak—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Stain for wall** Provencial—Minwax; 800/523-9299; *minwax.com*.

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Gray wall paint Dark Granite 780F-6, **white wall paint** Powdered Snow WD700—Behr Process Corp.; 800/854-0133; *behr.com* [P]. **Yellow frame paint** Decisive Yellow SW6902, **bed stain** custom mix—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Light gray frame paint** Classic Gray Spray Paint—Krylon Products Group; 800/457-9566; *krylon.com*. **Teal frame paint** Lagoon Spray Paint from the American Accents collection—Rust-Oleum; 877/385-8155; *rustoleum.com*. **Black frame glaze** Black Silk—Ralph Lauren Paint; 800/379-7656; *rlhome.polo.com* [P].

White duvet and pillow shams, gray decorative pillow, gray throw—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **All furniture**—homeowner's vintage finds. **Shade for bedside lamp**—Hobby Lobby; 800/323-9204; *hobbylobby.com*. **Drapery panels**—IKEA; *ikea-usa.com*. **Cellular shades**—Payless Decor; *paylessdecor.com*. **Curtain rods**—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **Page 81 (top)**
Green wall paint Garden Party, **black paint** Onyx Black, **blue paint** Peacock Blue—Glidden; 800/454-3336; *glidden.com* [P]. **Silver paint** Polished Silver, **yellow paint** Vintage Gold, both from the Martha Stewart Living collection—The Home Depot; *homedepot.com* (product line varies). **Drop cloth** Pretaped Painter's Plastic—ScotchBlue by 3M; *scotchblue.com*.

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Wall paint English Channel—Behr Process Corp.; 800/854-0133; *behr.com* [P]. **Stencil paint** Smoked Turquoise—Glidden; 800/454-3336; *glidden.com* [P]. **Stencil** Moorish Circles—Royal Design Studio; *royaldesignstudio.com*.

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Wall paints Peacock Blue and Flat White—Glidden; 800/454-3336; *glidden.com* [P]. **Painters tape**—ScotchBlue by 3M; *scotchblue.com*. **White rocking chair** similar available as Vinnie Small White Cradle Chair—Overstock.com; 800/843-2446; *overstock.com*. **Blue cabinet**—homeowner's refinishing project.

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Paint for walls and dresser Secure Blue SW6508—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Dresser, white bins, orange pillow for transfer project**—IKEA; *ikea-usa.com*. **Green pillow fabric** Emily in Artist Green, **orange pillow fabric** Magna—Macon in Cinnamon, **fabric for chevron pillow** Zoom—Zoom—Macon in Mantis, all three by Premier Prints—Fabric Guru; *fabricguru.com*. **Duvet cover** Wamsutta Twin in white, **art supplies bin on desk**—Bed Bath & Beyond; 800/462-3966; *bedbathandbeyond.com* (product

line varies). **Lamp** Nucleotide in polished chrome—Lamps Plus; 800/782-1967; *lampsplus.com*. **Stacked clear bins** Creative Options Project Box in clear, latch color was originally magenta, painted silver by homeowner—Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.; *walmart.com*. **White floating shelves, desktop**—The Home Depot; *homedepot.com* (product line varies). **Chevron beanbag chair**—Kohl's; 866/887-8884; *kohls.com* (product line varies). **Glass jars for coins**—Michaels Stores, Inc.; *michaels.com*. **Wood frames for book holders** Basswood Canvas—Walnut Hollow; *walnuthollow.com*. **Silicone bands**—Grifiti, LLC; *grifiti.com*. **Fabric for valance** John Wolf Zinger outdoor fabric in Sterling—Richloom Fabrics Group; *richloom.com*. **Bedside table, bed, wire shelving for bins**—homeowner's collection.

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Wall paint Snowfall SW7000—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Gold rope for cherry blossom art, canvas stretchers**—Michaels Stores, Inc.; *michaels.com*. **White linen**—Jo-Ann Stores; 888/739-4120; *joann.com*. **Stain for frame** Spanish Oak—Old Masters; 800/747-3436; *myoldmasters.com*. **Rug, pillow cover for ombre pillow project, small vase on coffee table**—Anthropologie; 800/309-2500; *anthropologie.com*. **Sofa**—Projects Contemporary Furniture, Des Moines; 515/557-1833; *projectsfurniture.com*. **Retro white top coffee table, gold pear on coffee table**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies).

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Wall paint North Star SW6246—The Sherwin-Williams Co.; 800/474-3794; *sherwin-williams.com* [P]. **Vase**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies). **Page 95**
Rug—World Market; 877/967-5362; *worldmarket.com*. **Throw**—Asher Market; *ashermarket.com*. **Basket**—Serena & Lily, Inc.; 866/597-2742; *serenaandlily.com*.

Pillows—Anthropologie; 800/309-2500; *anthropologie.com*.

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Screen for project Monarch Specialty—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies).

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Project design: Jenna Burger; *jennaburger.com*. **Wallpaper** Palmetto in Inkwell Blue and Khaki, **dip-dyed stool**—Serena & Lily, Inc.; 866/597-2742; *serenaandlily.com*. **Cabinet** Allen & Roth Hagen in Espresso with engineered stone top, **faucet** Moen Boardwalk in brushed nickel, **mirror** Gatco Latitude rectangular tilting frameless bathroom mirror with beveled edges and satin nickel hardware, **sconce** Portfolia Dark Sky outdoor wall light, **toilet** Kohler Highline Classic, **tub** Sterling Ensemble White Vikrell rectangular skirted bathtub, **shower fittings** Moen Caldwell in brushed nickel, **towel holder, bar, toilet paper holder** Moen Boardwalk in brushed nickel, **tile** American Olean Starling Line White Gloss ceramic wall tile, **tile accent** Allen & Roth Genuine Stone White Marble and Natural Stone Mosaic, **vinyl flooring** Luxury Vinyl Tile by Stainmaster—Lowe's; *lowes.com*. **White frames**—A.C. Moore Arts & Crafts; 888/226-6673; *acmoore.com*. **Soap dispenser, toothbrush holder, soap dish, towels, shower curtain, throw rug**—Target Stores; 800/800-8800; *target.com* (product line varies).

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Area rugs for table project—World Market; 877/967-5362; *worldmarket.com*. **Drapery**—JC Penney; 800/222-6161; *jcpennyc.com*. **Tray, vase**—T.J. Maxx; 800/285-6299; *tjmaxx.com* (product line varies).

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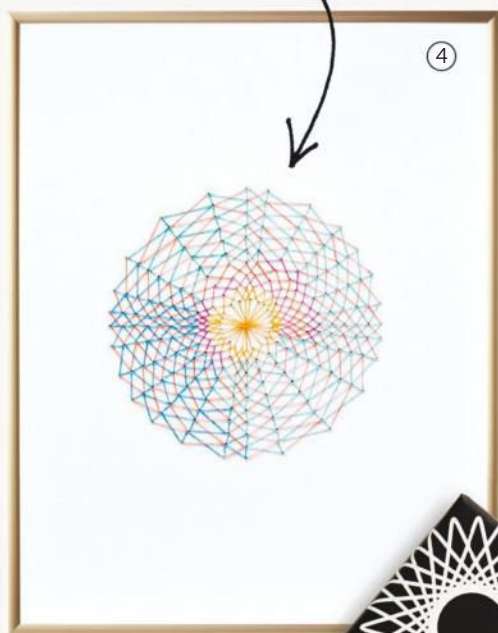
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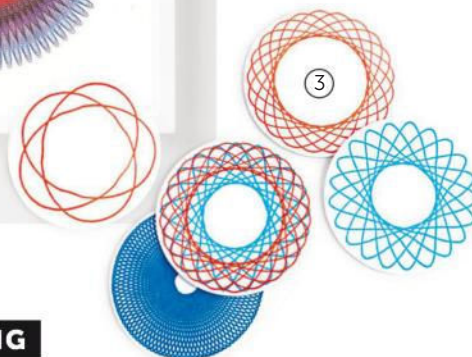
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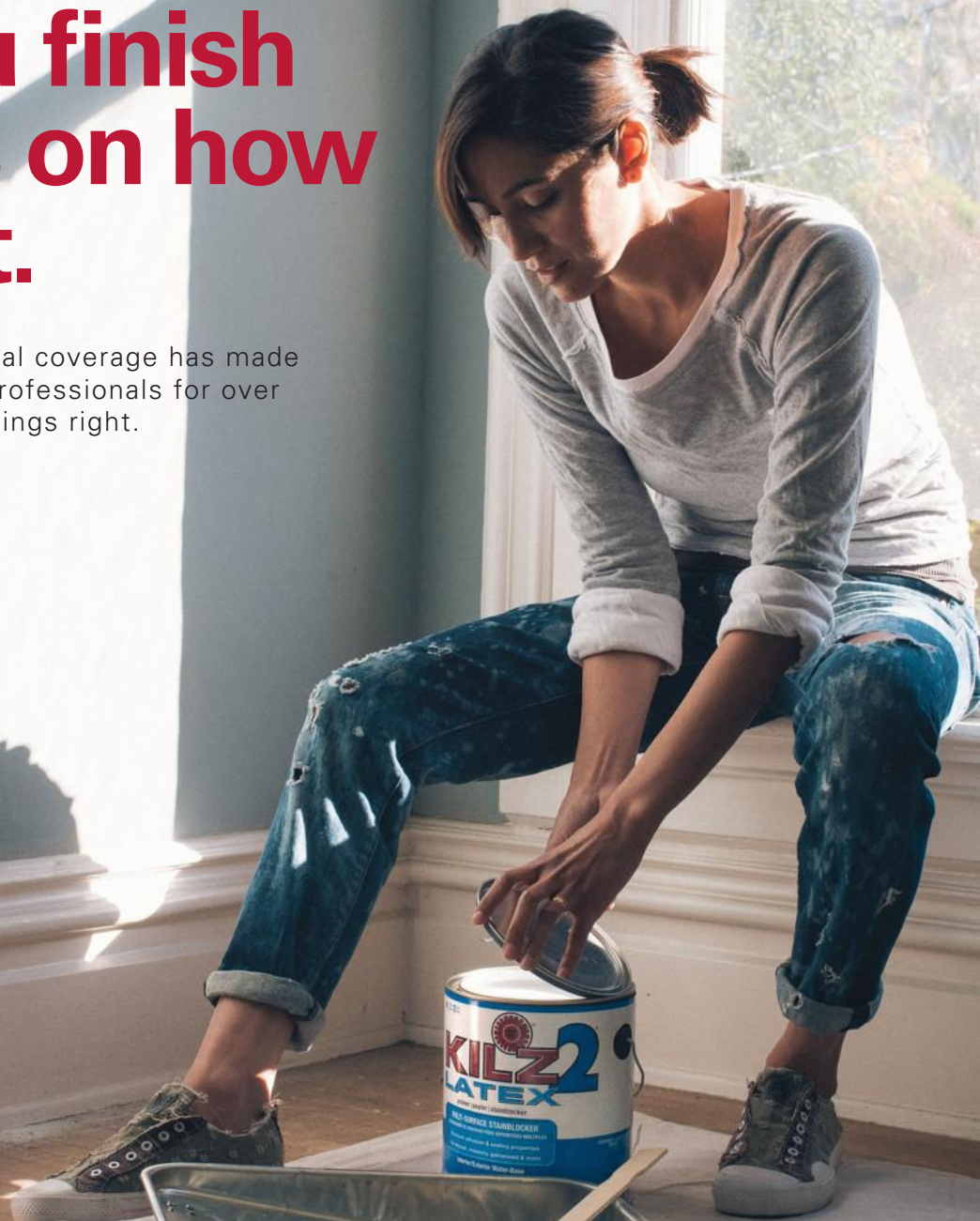
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