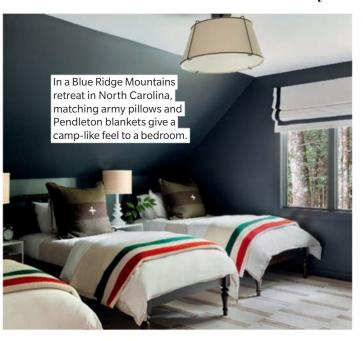


# HOUSE&HOME



## MUST READS

Three new books about living in style in the country, the city and upriver. By WENDYJACOB



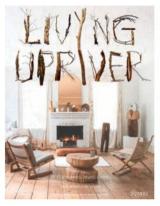


### THE NEW **CLASSIC HOME: MODERN MEETS TRADITIONAL STYLE**

#### By Paloma Contreras

If you like decorating elements such as de Gournay wallpaper and skirted upholstery, you'll love this book by Houston

designer Paloma Contreras, who shows how classic and antique elements can thrive in a hip setting populated by abstract art and 1970s Lucite martini tables. Paloma launched her design business following the explosive success of her blog, La Dolce Vita, and champions details including monogrammed linens, Greek key drapery trim, Louis XVI-style antiques and chinoiserie wallpaper, all buffeted by a fresh breeze of modernity that makes her designs feel full of life. India Hicks writes in the book's foreword, "Paloma's modern take on traditional style is completely brilliant. She layers pieces of different eras and varying styles fearlessly and doesn't shy away from bold prints." Abrams, 2023, \$57.





#### LIVING UPRIVER: ARTFUL HOMES, IDYLLIC LIVES By Barbara de Vries

What happens when 12 creative homeowners flee the city to embrace slow living in rural Upstate New York? Living Upriver offers a tempting peek into the rustic homes of modern-day "pioneers" who make living simply beautiful. For this book, former fashion designer Barbara de Vries presents restored farms, barns, cabins, schoolhouses and churches clustered around the Hudson and Delaware Rivers. All have been transformed by designers, artisans and entrepreneurs who have preserved and amplified their inherent charm. Elizabeth Starks and Jake Sackett's Bovina Farm and Fermentory, for instance, is a newly built farmhouse and tavern where they host a communal supper series. Also included are ideas on upcycling furniture, foraging, gardening and tabletop arranging. Rizzoli, 2023, \$75.





#### SENSE OF PLACE: DESIGN INSPIRED BY WHERE WE LIVE By Caitlin Flemming and Julie Goebel

San Francisco designer Caitlin Flemming teamed up with her mother, Julie Goebel, for their second book, which explores 21 unique homes from across the globe. Discover a refurbished Maine dairy farm, Nate Berkus and Jeremiah Brent's folkloric Montauk property, the London studio of Nathalie Farman-Farma of Décors Barbares, fashion designer Malene Birger's place in Mallorca, Spain, and more. The book is formatted around 10 questions that reveal personal takes on what makes each home so unique. Sharing an elevated but casual sense of boho decorating, these homes are packed with artisanal fabrics, painted furniture and tile. The last chapter, Little Black Book, is a treasure trove of Caitlin and Julie's favourite flea markets, craft stores and online sources. Abrams, 2023, \$57.