

House Rules

six California women at the forefront of interior design and architecture share their decorating musts and domestic necessities for the picture-perfect CA home **BY ANDREA STANFORD**



SCHUYLER SAMPERTON

LOS ANGELES

Even when I was a TV publicist, I knew I'd end up in interior design," says Schuyler Samperton. After all, she studied art history and decorative arts, and she's the daughter of an award-winning architect. Samperton began her career under prominent decorator Michael S. Smith before starting her own L.A.-based design firm.

NECESSARY OBJECTS Cloth napkins and beautiful flowers. **MONOGRAM MUST** Anything of your grandmother's; other than that, I'm not a huge fan. **DON'T WANT TO SEE** Scads of family photos in cheap, mismatched frames. **DRY OFF WITH** Crisp, white Turkish towels from Calvin Klein. **GO TO**

BED WITH Libeco linens from Belgium. **HOSTESS GIFT OF THE MOMENT** From Napa Valley, John Spenger's Thai Sesame Ginger Marinade. **BEST DECOR FIND** A long fragment of raw redwood that I found in Topanga Canyon and transformed into a mantel shelf. **DECORATING TREND THAT IS SO OVER** Hollywood Regency. **WALLPAPER** I love wallpaper in powder rooms, dining rooms and closets. My new favorite is "Mr. Ino," a multi-colored, graffiti-inspired print from Tres Tintas.

STOCK THE CABINETS WITH A combination of simple pieces like Crate & Barrel's Verano plates matched with Deborah Ehrlich's refined, ultra-thin glasses from L.A.'s Arp. **A HOME CAN NEVER HAVE TOO MANY** Dogs and old books.

FAVORITE CA DECOR STORES Dan Marty and Henry Beguelin in L.A.; and Michael Haskell in Montecito. **GO GREEN** Gorgeous Tierra

Adentro organic linens from Marcela Cortes Nares. **BEST SHOPPING SECRET** Striped cotton rugs from Dash & Albert come in a huge variety of

the most delectable color combinations, and they are insanely inexpensive. 323-655-6603; samperton.com.

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Native Californian Erin Keosian has been designing since the age of 16, when she started her own event planning company. Today, she's the owner of the widely popular, Summerland-based boutique Botanik, launched in 1998. Originally known for out-of-this-world succulents, the garden destination spot is now neighbor to a sister home decor store opened in 2003.

NECESSARY OBJECTS Fresh orchids. They add instant elegance. **MONOGRAM MUST** California's relaxed style isn't a fit with monogramming, but I love monogrammed family photo albums in Italian pewter and vintage leather. **DON'T WANT TO SEE** Anything work-related, especially in the bedroom. A home should be a sanctuary. **GO TO BED WITH** John Robshaw's handprinted, embroidered linens, made from the finest Indian cotton. **HOSTESS GIFT OF THE MOMENT** True Grace candles, handmade in England.

DECORATING TREND THAT IS SO OVER Faux anything! **STOCK THE CABINETS WITH** Wallpaper. I love adding it to the back of cabinets for a pop of color. **A HOME CAN NEVER HAVE TOO MANY** Cashmere throws. I love the cozy knits by Yarnz.

FAVORITE CA DECOR STORES Maison K and William Laman in Montecito. **GO GREEN** Use organic cleaning products by Cal-drea and nearsea naturals.com for textiles. 2329 Lillie Ave., Summerland, 805-565-3831; botanikinc.com.

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