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The **20** Best Decorating Tips

Bored with your décor?
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easy-to-achieve ideas from our design experts



The Bedroom

L.A. designer Schuyler Samperton's sophisticated mix

1. CONTROL THE LIGHT
Bamboo, tortoise and natural-reed blinds have a handmade feel and a warm, organic texture, says Samperton. For very bright bedrooms, she says, combine sheer curtains with blackout shades—"The best of both worlds: light and privacy or complete darkness when you need it."

2. FRAME THE BED
Put a twist on the traditional headboard with a statement-making screen—the room gets another great piece of furniture without sacrificing any space. Look at new and antique options, particularly ones with interesting all-over patterns or motifs (for more stability, they can be wall-mounted too).

3. MARRY YOUR PRINTS
Matchy-matchy is a bore. Mix up textures (a ribbed velvet upholstered settee and a woven basket) and complementary but not exact-match patterns, as seen in the embroidered coverlet, silk pillows and the tone-on-tone graphic rug.



4. MAKE YOUR BEDSIDE BEAUTIFUL
Add photos, a grouping of books, flowers (a floating single gardenia bloom will stay fragrant for five days), and a lamp with personality. Stow moisturizers, lozenges and other personal stuff in the night-table drawer; keep magazines hidden but handy in a basket beneath.

Designer Resources

Track down some of the stylish pieces showcased on the previous pages, and learn more about the experts behind the tips



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Antique Sea Creature lamp; at Dan Marty Design, 323-935-5514. 1920s sterling silver clock; at Ralph Lauren, 310-281-7200. Antique Chinese folding screen; at the Fainting Couch, 323-930-0106. Chambray linens, Nancy Koltes \$28-\$230; at Scandia Down Shops, 310-274-6925. Tufted Savannah lounge, \$2,500; Mecox Gardens, 310-358-9272 or mecoxgardens.com.