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Sharyn Storrier Lyneham, director, EDIT Interiors and fabric designers

What are your favourite antique stores?

The Country Trader in Waterloo and Parterre Garden in Woollahra. In Mittagong I go to The Shed – it’s not well known but has great collectables. If you are in the market for really beautiful decorative arts, no one does it better than Shapiro Auctioneers in Woollahra. The Country Trader. Phone: 9698 4661. Parterre Garden. Phone: 9363 5874. The Shed. Phone: 4872 2295. Shapiro Auctioneers. Phone: 9326 1588.

What are your favourite fabric shops?

I’ve worked with No Chintz [in Woollahra] for years. Owner Chrissie Jeffery is always looking for new fabrics. I like Ici et Là in Surry Hills for striped fabrics. No Chintz. Phone: 9386 4800. Ici et Là. Phone: 9699 4266.

What recent design is set to become a classic?

The Kebab Lamp by British designers Committee: I love its quirky design. Also, anything by Dutch designer Marcel Wanders.

What’s your favourite tile shop?

I like Pazotti in Bondi Junction. I like their passion. Phone: 9387 4500.

Where do you go for rugs?

I’ve always liked Ross Langlands’ range at The Nomadic Rug Traders in Pyrmont – his knowledge of tribal rugs and kilims is extraordinary. He travels and lives with the rug makers to learn more, and it’s in his soul. Robyn Cosgrove Rugs in Woollahra is the other one. The Nomadic Rug Traders. Phone: 9660 3753. Robyn Cosgrove Rugs. Phone: 9328 7692.

Can you recommend an up-and-coming designer who is a face to watch?

Chen Lu. He is a Sydney-based interior designer, furniture designer and stylist. He does wonderful things for Hermès.

Who are some of your favourite artists?

I have many! Luke Sciberras, Gria Shead, Jonathan Delafield Cook, Oliver Watts, Jessica Wright, William Kentridge, Fiona Hall.

What’s your favourite art gallery?

My philosophy is that you have to visit lots of galleries and pick something you truly

love. One gallery I admire is Chalk Horse, in Surry Hills. It’s owned by young artists who put on interesting things using their own money. Phone: 9699 8999.

What’s your favourite paint colour?

Two colours I am seeing a lot of in Europe for accessories are similar to raspberry and oyster from Porter’s Paints. I think Porter’s are the most innovative in this town, but I’ve always loved Farrow & Ball – it’s from Britain. Friends send me colour cards so I can match them. They have names like Elephant’s Breath (taupe). Porter’s Paints. Phone: 9698 5322.

What websites do you turn to?

www.firmdale.com, www.vessel.com and www.20ltd.com.

What’s the best design gift you’ve ever given someone?

A charcoal drawing of American red hawk tail feathers by Jonathan Delafield Cook from the Rex Irwin gallery. Phone: 9363 3212.

How do you give your home a quick lift?

Candles, flowers, a new cushion, or I add something to one of my cabinets.