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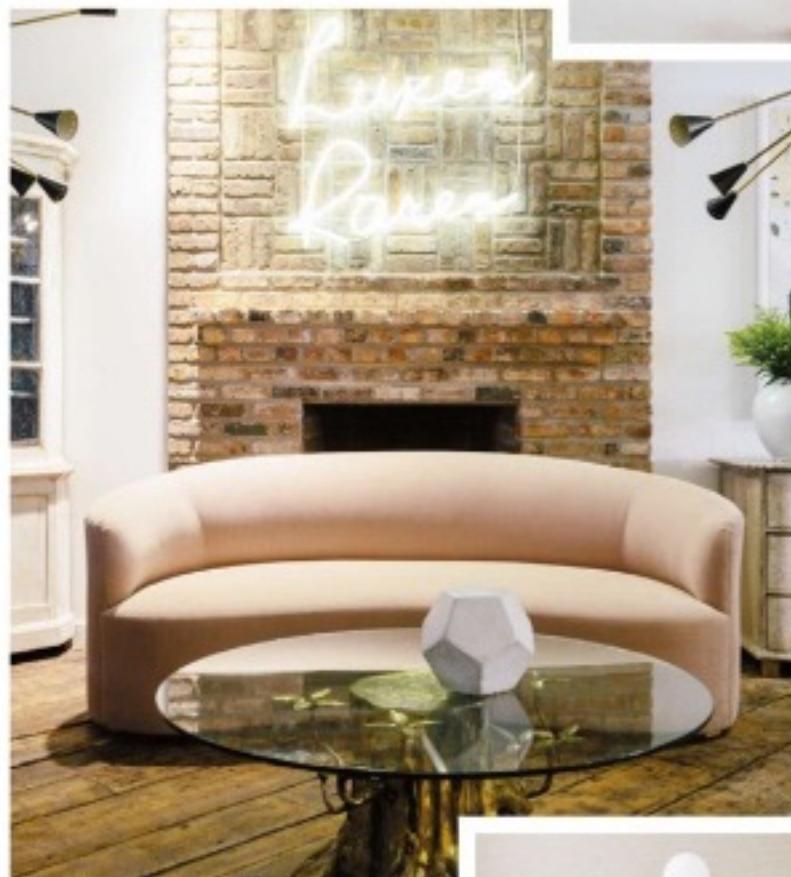
### ECHE MARTINEZ ▶

San Francisco | [echemartinez.com](http://echemartinez.com)

**WHY WE LOVE HIM:** Argentinian-born designer Eche Martinez's masculine, dramatic interiors showcase a global perspective while nodding to the diverse and rich culture of the Bay Area. He believes in using shape and color to drive design, instead of clipping into what he calls the "pattern pool," and cites David Hicks, Jean-Louis Deniot and Zaha Hadid as major influences.

**ON THE HORIZON:** Martinez is literally setting sail with a new design—a private unit aboard *MS The World*, a luxury condominium at sea. The ship travels the globe, changing routes every year, so Martinez's designs could be in Alaska for the summer and in Sydney for New Year's Eve.

**IN HIS WORDS:** "For me, new apps and websites are key to spotting the genesis of trends and color palettes. Using graphic black and white, 'millennial pink' and ombre effects as visual backdrops are all things I noticed online years before they started making a splash in our industry."



### MARGARET NAEVE ▲

Houston | [mnaeve.com](http://mnaeve.com)

**WHY WE LOVE HER:** Mixing muted palettes with unexpected large-scale contemporary art, Margaret Naeve strikes a sophisticated balance between soft and edgy. Inspired by her travels, Naeve is currently obsessing over early 20<sup>th</sup>-century French and Scandinavian furniture and believes in a curated, collected home.

**ON THE HORIZON:** The designer continues to introduce cutting-edge brands, such as Apparatus, Martyn Thompson Studio and Egg Collective, to her shop M Naeve, and subsequently to the Texas design market. Up next, she has a new project in the works on Houston's much-sought-after North Boulevard.

**IN HER WORDS:** "I look at selecting items for clients as a global shopping experience. I'm not a go-by-the-rules type of designer; I'm more intrigued by creating a 'feeling.'"



### ◀ MEGAN MOORE

Denver | [dado.design](http://dado.design)

**WHY WE LOVE HER:** Employing monotone palettes and a Zen-like restraint, designer Megan Moore takes a refreshingly minimalist approach to interiors. Her thoughtful spaces favor clean lines, calming neutrals and natural, tactile materials.

**ON THE HORIZON:** Moore is looking beyond the Denver residential scene this year with interior projects in Manhattan and Seattle in the works, giving her a new bicoastal perspective that informs her evolving aesthetic.

**IN HER WORDS:** "Style as it relates to any specific design period doesn't really interest me. Instead, the things people want to surround themselves with are interesting to me. I think about how people will feel in the space and how our interior environments impact us on a daily basis."

### ASHLEY WADDELL AND COURTNEY WHATLEY ▼

Vero Beach, FL | [olivlaobryan.com](http://olivlaobryan.com)

**WHY WE LOVE THEM:** Sister act Ashley "Olivia" Waddell and Courtney "O'Bryan" Whatley teamed up to form the design firm Olivie O'Bryan in 2005 and have since perfected their signature coastal-cool look. Their homes are full of visual surprises—with neutral palettes that pop when punctuated by vibrant soft goods.

**ON THE HORIZON:** The duo is excited to be working with architects Moor, Baker & Associates on a creative, understated interior in the exclusive luxury enclave of Windsor, Florida. Plus, they've got a residential project in the works on nearby Jupiter Island, which will showcase a more tropical vibe.

**IN THEIR WORDS:** "We love our projects to feel lived in and collected so that the clients can experience an immediate connection to the home."