

we bought our first house **now what?**

Signing the papers was the easy part—decorating, not so much. *HGTV Magazine* to the rescue!



One thing that was already perfect about Katie and Patrick's 1940s cottage: the sweet blue door (Seaside Manor by Clark + Kensington).

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The most exciting part of going from renting an apartment to owning a house: all the space! The most overwhelming part: all the space! That's what Katie and Patrick Roetker discovered when they settled into their 1,510-square-foot house in Madison, WI, in the spring of 2018. "We loved how sunny and open it was, but once we moved our stuff in, it was like, *OK, where's the rest?*" says Katie. Although parents on both sides chipped in old furniture to help fill the rooms, says Patrick, "it felt like a jumble, and we didn't know where to begin with redecorating, so we just left it." Cut to a year later, when *HGTV Magazine* solved their hodgepodge problem with a makeover that brought in furnishings, paint, and wallpaper in colors and patterns that harmonize like a dream. "We never would have been brave enough to mix these things on our own," says Katie. "Our home now has a *look* and a personality. It finally feels like it belongs to us, instead of just someplace we're staying."



before

makeover

wall color
Coral Rock by
Benjamin Moore

living room

A terra-cotta-color wall brings in warmth year-round. "The tone shifts over the course of the day, like a sunset," says Katie. The oversize art from Four Hands Art Studio makes it even more glorious. For seating, the dated brown sectional that dominated the space got replaced with a chic blue wool-blend sofa by American Leather, a curvy armchair by Taylor King, and two leather slingback chairs from Wisteria. Friends at the couple's giant potluck dinners spill into here, so the large coffee table by Jonathan Charles Fine Furniture comes in handy. The rug is by Jaipur Living.

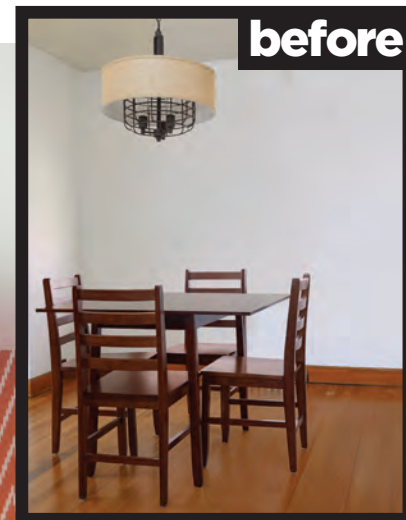


living room

"Our fireplace was painted white when we moved in, and we figured that was the only option," says Katie. Redoing it, hearth to mantel, in the same terra-cotta shade as the accent wall opposite it pulls the room together. Cranking up the cozy: custom-size natural woven window shades by Graber and creamy white paint (Swiss Coffee by Benjamin Moore) on the other walls.

dining room

With tons of light and a pretty archway on one side (seen above in the living room), the dining room had potential, but a lonely, unexciting dining set brought it down. Chevron wallpaper by Schumacher and abstract prints from Four Hands Art Studio give the room major presence, as do a teak table with a slatted base from Wisteria and molded plastic chairs from Industry West. Gold touches, including a chandelier from Lamps Plus and a bar cart from Pier 1, take it to next-level glam.



[makeover]

shop the living room



pillow
Luca 22" x 22" linen and cotton pillow cover in terra-cotta, \$128, serenaandlily.com



chair
Sebastian cotton and wood chair in heni goldenrod, \$2,460, taylorking.com for stores



chair
Ruli leather and teak chair, \$999, wisteria.com



art
Alchemy by Alyson Khan 40" x 60" unframed art, \$1,300, fourhands.com for stores



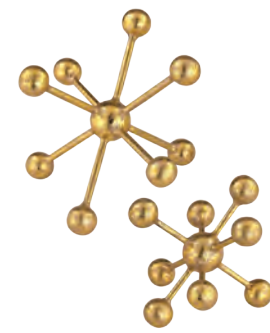
sofa
Siena Grand 95"-wide wool-blend sofa in peacock, \$6,800, americanleather.com for stores



lamp
Grooved 26"-tall stone lamp, \$249, shadesoflight.com



wallpaper
Schumacher Kasari Ikat wallpaper in terra-cotta, \$64.50 per roll, mahoneswallpapershop.com



sculptures
Titan Lighting metal molecule sculptures, \$64 for a mixed set of 2 (large is 8" tall), homedepot.com



table
Slatted 30½"H x 47¼"-diameter teak table, \$999, wisteria.com



coffee table
50"W x 34"D x 14"H oak coffee table in medium brown, \$2,544, jonathancharlesfurniture.com for stores



art
Maximalist Geometric O2 by The Old Art Studio 20" x 26" print with vector white frame, \$96, society6.com



rug
Jaipur Living Luli Sanchez En Casa 9" x 13" wool rug, \$1,455, huzz.com



art
City Map II and City Map III by Gold Rush Art Co. 30" x 40" framed art, \$990 each, fourhands.com for buying info



tray
Element 21"-diameter antiqued-brass-finished aluminum tray, \$100, crateandbarrel.com



art
Modern Irregular Stripes 01 by Vivi Gonzalez Art 15" x 21" print with conservation pecan frame, \$67, society6.com



pillow
Color Block 22" x 22" linen pillow in marigold, \$94, anchalproject.org



side table
Amagansett Zig 18"H x 14"-diameter resin side table, \$348, serenaandlily.com



shades
Tradewinds Moniz natural fibers shades in Peru, graberblinds.com for stores



side table
Cyan Design Moon Shot 23¾"W x 23¾"D x 19¾"H wood and iron side table, \$297.50, bellacor.com



chair
Taka polypropylene and beech chair in white, \$99, industrywest.com



rug
ED Ellen DeGeneres by Loloi Brea 7'9" x 9'9" wool-blend rug in grey, \$829, shopcandelabra.com

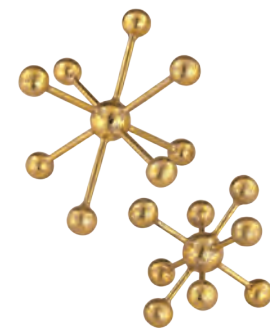
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chandelier
Possini Euro Marya 32"-diameter metal chandelier in satin brass finish, \$500, lampsplus.com



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