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2020 DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE

Denver's top talents beautify a modern organic build in Wash Park.



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statistics

INDOOR HOUSE PLANTS

70

Different species of Snake Plants.

15

Years a Colorado avocado tree needs to mature.

10

Number of plants per room maximizing mental wellbeing benefits.

87

Percent of air pollutants eliminated by house plants within 24 hours.

34%

Reduction in respiratory conditions by the presence of indoor plants.

14

Days most plants can go without water.

1.7

Billion U.S. sales of house plants from 2017-2020.

70°F

Degrees of ideal temperature for growing indoor plants.

25

Percent of air toxins absorbed by a single plant.

5ml

Amount of oxygen house plants produce per hour.

Sources: Ntrs.nasa.gov, Smartgardenguide.com, Bhg.com.au, Nachi.org, Extension.uga.edu, Plantify.co.za, gardening-knowhow.com, gardenguides.com, bloomberg.com



three questions with

SARI MINA ROSS, a talented Interior Designer from NYC who has recently made Denver her home base for work and play. She is determined to break the mold for standard mountain design—making mountain design more modern and more sophisticated, while not losing its connection to nature in the process. Sari still travels back east to work with her upscale clients—some of which also own beautiful multi-million-dollar mountain homes in Colorado.

- 1. Why did you move to Denver to start your business?**
 “I had my own design firm in NYC for 12 years. After 18 years, it was time for a change. Prior to moving here, I spent a lot of time in the mountains skiing, so Denver seemed like the right place for my next adventure. The growth is explosive with so much energy and talent. I also wanted to work on more ski homes. I’ve stayed at so many mountain hotels and homes over the years, and have been able to experience what works and doesn’t work both functionally and aesthetically.”
- 2. How does Denver differ from NYC in regards to interior design?**
 “It’s exciting to be in a city that’s exploring vertical design and growing so rapidly. I love being part of that process. In New York, all of my projects were in high-rises, but it’s so different here. I love translating the mountains, the trees, and the natural beauty with a modern take on design. Connecting the outdoors to soothing home sanctuaries is one of the most exciting chapters of my career.”
- 3. What do you love most about working and living in Colorado?**
 “People are really willing to explore new ideas with design here. I love that! Denverites aren’t as worried about having a home like their neighbors or having a home like what they just saw on Instagram. It’s really exciting because you’re able to create totally unique environments. I also feel such a genuine joy when I create a home where a family can enjoy it and connect—with family dinners, gatherings, and milestones. It makes me feel so good to give clients exactly what they need and want in their home.” —*Kerrie Lee Brown*

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5 best LOCAL HOME DÉCOR STORES

We’ve picked our top five local home décor stores to give your place a style refresh.

- 1. LULU’S FURNITURE AND DÉCOR**
 Lulu’s is Englewood’s furniture and décor boutique, meshing eclectic style with tried-and-true furniture industry experience. Christy Brant and daughter Caitlin Marsh work together to offer contemporary and uniquely selected accessories, gifts, artwork, birthday cards, and more. 3475 S. University Blvd., Englewood lulusfurniture.com
- 2. T IS FOR TABLE**
 This Florida-born boutique made its mark in Centennial over the last three years and is now catering to Coloradan flair. T is for Table provides customers with an incredible selection of linens, fine pottery, china, glass, cutlery, and other accessories for making memorable occasions even more special. 6955 S. York St., #B409, Centennial tisfortable.com
- 3. WHITE PEACOCK**
 Fine tableware, décor, gifts for men, and bridal registry items are essentials at this East 3rd Avenue gem. Timeless pieces are sure to please those who desire a more curated design with a story to tell. 2440 E. Third Ave. whitepeacockdenver.com
- 4. HW HOME**
 Expect curated exceptional home furnishings from around the world. Each piece relays an intricacy and balance between classic style and modernity. Find HW Home in Cherry Creek North, Boulder, and Fort Collins, always with the promise of impeccable service. 199 Clayton Lane, hwhome.com
- 5. THE LARK**
 Denver’s neighborhood treasure offers light, bright, traditional home furnishings, exquisite hard-to-find gifts, presents for kids, art, and décor for locals to cherish. Opened in 1971, the shop makes decorating a fun experience with an all-encompassing tradition to serve its customers. 1219 E. 4th Ave., thelarkdenver.com

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