



WELCOME TO THE BEST OF BIG D: HOME AND GARDEN EDITION.

We're so glad you're here! Look at this list as your personal concierge—unlocking access to all the world-class shops, finest dining, and cultural institutions Dallas has to offer—then enjoy playing tourist in your own town.

The Suite Life

Book a night at these nearby lodgings to score some R&R without leaving DFW.

BEST DESIGN-INSPIRATION STAYCATION

The Madison

Jen Stevens of Fonde Interiors transformed a 1926 boardinghouse in Bishop Arts into a cozy, 27-room hotel. The finished result is a vibe, with a check-in desk straight out of a Wes Anderson flick and vintage-inspired decor throughout common spaces and guest rooms. It's a perfect place to recharge your creative batteries. 1159 N. Madison Ave. 469-778-4319.

BEST DESIGN MINI-GETAWAY

Flintlock Ranch

This deliciously layered rental is only an hour outside of Dallas but feels a million miles away. Designer Denise McGaha rents out the luxe guesthouse of her Decatur working ranch, where her family keeps cows, goats, and chickens. Visit with her menagerie and enjoy scenic vistas (and killer sunsets!); then retreat into the comfort of the well-appointed environs. There's also a lushly appointed Airstream for spillover guests. 272 County Road 3250, Decatur. flintlockranch.com

BEST PLACE FOR A STAYCATION

Ritz-Carlton Dallas, Las Colinas

The former Four Seasons underwent a \$55 million remodel last year. Our favorite updates include the hotel's club lounge (with a 24-hour dessert station!), the dramatically refreshed lobby bar, and the spectacular pool cabanas that, if you squint out at the Texas landscape, will make you swear you've landed in the Mexican Riviera. 4150 N. MacArthur Blvd., Irving. 972-717-2499.

No Vacancy? No Problem.

Your interiors will rival the chicest boutique hotel with help from these home outfitters.

BEST NEW CONCEPT STORE

KD Biel

Luxury homebuilder Kurt Bielawski was a fine apparel buyer in another life. He combines his retail experience and his passion for home in his masterfully curated new shop. Aside from private label items, you'll find hard-to-source brands like Copenhagen-based Bergs Potter and London's Shore Studios. 1316 Slocum St. 214-434-1127.

BEST ANTIQUE STORE

Nick Brock & Company

That famous yellow door has been a beacon for antiques lovers for years. Unique pieces large and small span centuries and tastes—but all are alluring. Pro tip: Take your time and don't skip the display cases. 1322 Slocum St. 214-828-0624.

BEST CONTEMPORARY FURNITURE

Scott + Cooner

In 2021, Lloyd Scott and Josy Cooner handed the keys to longtime employees Jud and Ashley Taylor, who have continued the showroom's legacy of fine contemporary furnishings. Expect brands like Cassina, Baxter, and Poliform—and exceptional client service. 1617 Hi Line Dr., Ste. 100. 214-748-9838.

BEST NEWCOMER SHOWROOM

Verellen Atelier

In March, this High Point favorite opened only its second atelier in the country right here in the Design District, bringing their Belgian-born furniture to Dallas. The brand is known

for shapely pieces covered in neutral textiles that add a dose of understated coolness to any style of room. 150 Glass St., Ste. 100. 214-831-6123.

BEST TRADITIONAL FURNITURE (IF YOU WANT IT NOW)

Blue Print

This local institution has helped define Dallas' preppy-polish-meets-cool-confidence aesthetic. At their original shop or their expansive Design District showroom, you'll find everything from Biedermeier chests to modern art. Best of all, everything is stocked, so you can take it home same day. 2707 Fairmount St. 214-954-9511; 1505 Oak Lawn Ave., Ste. 100. 469-793-6868.

BEST TRADITIONAL FURNITURE (IF YOU'RE WILLING TO WAIT)

Caitlin Wilson

Designer Caitlin Wilson's traditional furniture is exquisitely designed and expertly crafted, with options to customize your choice of upholstery fabric. But as pieces are made to order, most carry a three- to eight-month lead time, so patience is a virtue. 2923 N. Henderson Ave. 469-458-3385.

BEST VINTAGE FURNITURE

Sputnik Modern

Don't come here looking for fixer-uppers. Owner Chris Thurman has an incredible eye for pristine, museum-quality vintage pieces from iconic designers like Karl Springer, Milo Baughman, Dunbar, and Verner Panton. We're not saying we fantasize about his wares—but we're also not saying that. 2241 Monitor St. 214-887-6221.

BEST DESIGN COLLABS

Scout Design Studio

From statement-making accessories with a sense of humor to collaborations with local artists and design darlings, Scout's offerings don't just make a room—they're a whole mood. 155 Howell St. 214-741-2414.

BEST DOPAMINE DECOR

Tlazo Home

This home-decor-meets-gift shop has an identity all its own, thanks to owner Alejandro Gonzalez's keen eye and emphasis on Latino makers. Find whimsical home accents, joy-sparking serveware, vibrant textiles, and an array of artisanal wrapping paper. 411 N. Tyler St. 214-377-8450.

BEST WALLPAPER LINE

Megan Adams Brooks

You can find a print appropriate for any space or scheme in Brooks' eponymous line (plus fabric to match). Of late, the Dallas artist has partnered with creative pals on collaborations that broaden the collection's horizons even further. meganadamsbrooks.com

BEST MINIMAL HOME ACCESSORIES

Anyon Atelier

Find your escape on a side street off Henderson Avenue. Anyon Atelier's peaceful courtyard gives you a taste of what awaits inside. The selection of furniture, art, and accessories is a master class in effortless curation—and a breath of fresh air for Dallas. 5238 Milam St. 214-434-1934.

BEST VINTAGE DIG

Benny Jack Antiques

Every booth boasts pieces of vastly different styles, so you're guaranteed to find something in your wheelhouse. You can also follow the shop's Instagram, where they post new inventory daily. 1026 N. Riverfront Blvd. 214-238-3740. @bennyjackantiques

BEST HOME SALVAGE SHOP

Discount Home Warehouse

The fun is in the hunt. One week you might find the antique arched door you never knew you needed; the next, perfectly patinaed hardware that'll make your new build look like a historic home. 1768 Empire Central Dr. 214-631-2755.

BEST OUTDOOR PILLOW SELECTION

Plein Air Atelier

Outdoor pillows endure the elements. Landscape designer Melissa Gerstle's to-the-trade showroom stocks plentiful options if yours have seen better days, along with an array of high-end outdoor furniture, should you be ready for a complete overhaul. 1205 Slocum St. 214-466-8066.

BEST NURSERY AND GARDEN SHOP

Walton's Garden Center

Walton's stocks it all: herbs, Acers, perennials, indoor plants, pretty pots, and a gift shop filled with everything from mahjong sets to Christmas ornaments. 8652 Garland Rd. 214-321-2387.

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