



## REAL LIVING - May Issue 2011



## RETRO HALLWAY - LEFT

Hallways can easily become dark and boring, but they're best suited to a bold design. After all, they provide the first impression of your home. To create interest here we painted the top half of the wall in a vibrant Hermes-inspired orange and the lower half in white. We then created a striking herringbone design after taking inspiration from a chic suit from the S/S '11 Sportmax collection (below). With such a strong pattern it's best to keep the other walls in the space simple.



## CLASSIC COOL

Classic stripes continue to be popular in fashion, and there's no reason this look can't be used in interiors - in a variety of hues. Softer shades were used here to create a cool and calming scheme. We marked a halfway line in pencil on the wall and used a soft blue shade for the complete top half section of the wall. When dry, stripes were drawn in pencil 10cm apart on the lower half of the wall and alternating colours of gray and blue were painted. →

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### Subtly stylish

**THE PAINTS** FROM TOP Porter's Paints Low Sheen in **Attic**, **Smokey Blue**, and **White Rhino**, each from \$39.99 for 1L.

### Also in the scene

Juna Dana **chair**, \$1190, Globe West. Bengal Bazaar **cushion** in Green, \$205, Orson & Blake. Spiral **light**, \$160, Hermon & Hermon. Box driftwood **side table**, \$220, Tam Leveson. **ON SIDE TABLE** **Vase**, \$145, Orson & Blake, holding Celosia **flowers**. Bamboo **bangles**, \$15 each, and Thread **bangle** in Lime & Navy, \$45, My Island Home. Black Amber **scented candle**, \$45, Cotton Love Home. **ON FLOOR** **Bowl**, \$35, Orson & Blake. French **espadrilles** in Navy Stripe, \$48, Eclectica. Flower Weave Zinnia **rug** (1.55m), \$355, Armadillo & Co.





## PINK DONE WELL

Yes, young girls often want pink bedrooms. To stay away from the sickly sweet trap, not only did we knock some of the pink out of the room by teaming the pink shades with a white stripe, but we also

introduced a stronger, contrasting berry stripe. The wall was painted white and when dry a halfway line was marked in pencil horizontally along the wall. We then marked lines 10cm apart vertically on the top half of the wall, and 10cm apart horizontally on the bottom half. The pink stripes were marked off with masking tape and painted.



### Gorgeously girly

**THE PAINTS** Haymes Low Sheen Acrylic in **Nearly White**, **Cherub Pink** (top) and **Berries** (bottom), each from \$65.95 for 4L.

**Also in the scene** Willow king single bed; \$499, Freedom; "123" storage trunk; \$450, Dornayne; Moroccan light; \$290, Silk Route; **ON BED** Swain single quilt cover set; \$186 (includes 1 pillowcase), The Lowercase; Heart-shaped notepad; \$3.95, Kikki.K; Tie Dye cushion; \$49.95, Aura; Sally Campbell pillow; \$115, Little White Home; Apple tote; \$9.95, Kikki.K; **ON TRUNK** Post Gallery card; \$35 for box of 6, The Lowercase; In Ribba frame; \$14.99, Ikea; Flono "Apple" stamp; \$5.50, Kikki.K; Keep Calm And Carry On band aids in tin; \$12, Papier d'Amour; Cute collection notebook; \$24.95, Kikki.K; **ON FLOOR** Moroccan slippers; \$29.95 a pair, and ottoman; \$289, Silk Route; Mrs Little Bunny toy; \$59, Little White Home; Hey Rabbit colouring book; \$29.95, Flourish; Hoop Weave Natural rug (1.4m x 2m); \$465, Armadillo & Co.



**Nautical vibe**  
Chateau wooden-based  
**lamp with shade**  
in Natural, \$219, Oz  
Design Furniture.

**Decorative drum**  
Pierced ceramic **drum**  
**stool** in White (46cm  
x 28cm), \$270, HFOC.

**Feathered**  
feature  
Tjanpi woven  
**basket**,  
\$85, Koskela.

**Flower power**  
Marigold hemp **rug**  
in Natural (1.55m  
diameter), \$450,  
Armadillo&Co.

**Woolly**  
prickles  
Odds & Ends  
**knitted**  
**cactus**, \$79,  
Kido Store.

**Soft spot**  
Frayed appliqué  
**cushion** (50cm), \$110,  
Ruby Star Traders.

*bargain  
buy!*

**Neutral territory**  
Ashbury 3-seat **sofa** in Denver Linen, \$999, Freedom.

**Touch of**  
timber  
Heidi **stool** in  
Natural & White  
(60cm), \$129,  
Freedom.

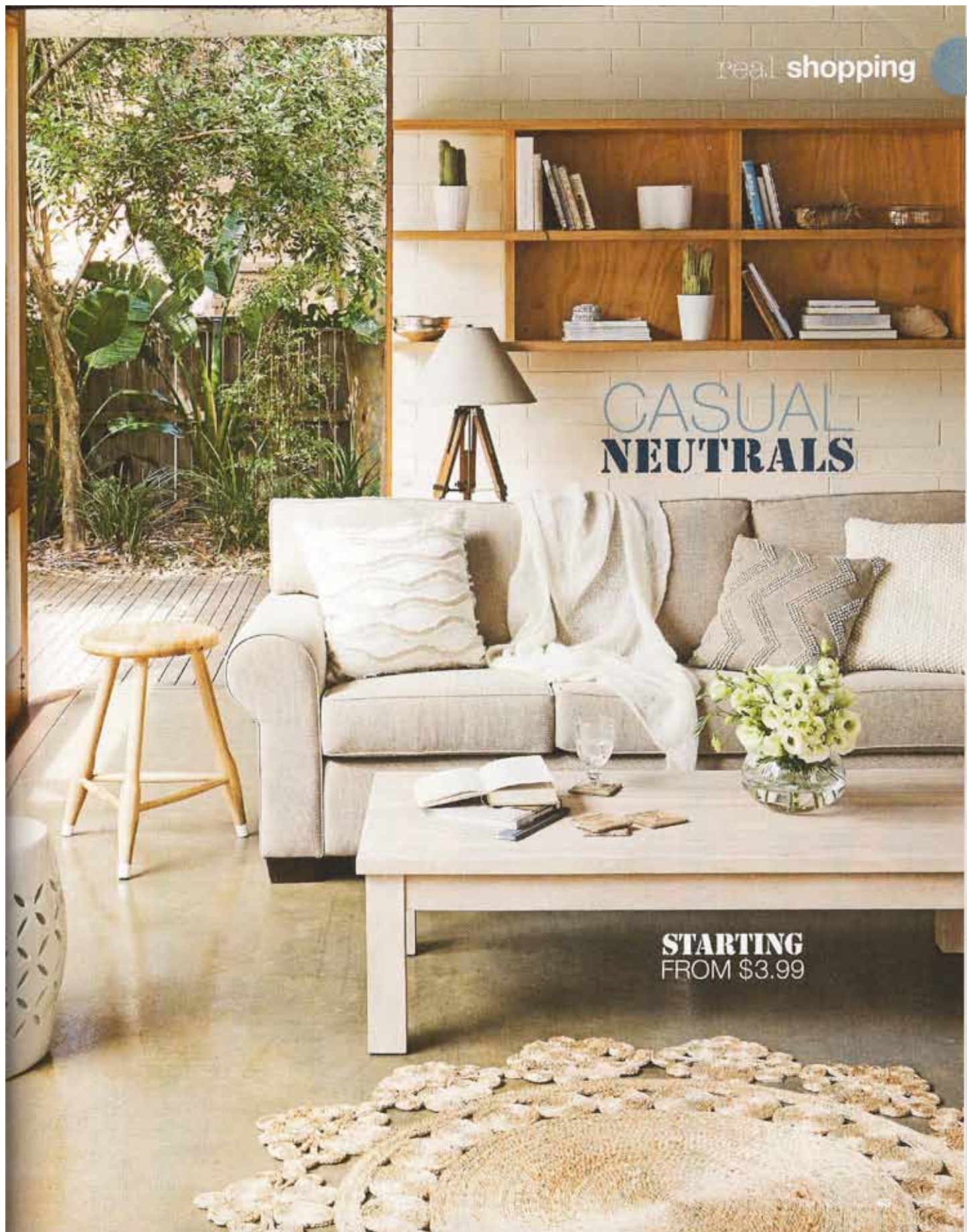
**Also in the scene**

Tamar **coffee table** in White Wash, \$599, Oz Design Furniture. **ON COFFEE TABLE** Selection of **books** includes *My Cool Caravan* (Pavilion Books, \$29.99). Seagrass **coasters**, \$12 each, My Island Home. For similar **glass**, try Närhet dessert wineglass, \$3.99, Ikea. Arik glass **vase**, \$39.95, Country Road, holding Isianthus **flowers**, from \$16 a bunch, MagniScent Flowers. **ON SOFA** Mohair **throw**, \$125, and hand-knotted Zigzag **cushion**, \$189, Orson & Blake. Inka **cushion**, \$79.95, Country Road. **ON SHELVES** TOP SHELF (from left) littala "Savoy" **vase** by Alvar Aalto in Opal (16cm), \$330, Top3 By Design, River **bowl**, \$39.95, Country Road. LOWER SHELF (from left) Hammered **silver bowl**, \$65, and beaded **shell box**, \$36.95, Ruby Star Traders. Clam **shell**, \$110, My Island Home. →

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# CASUAL NEUTRALS

**STARTING**  
FROM \$3.99



3. MODERN revival

An "old-fashioned" pendant or flamboyant chandelier would have been way too much for this room, but this sleek, shiny, oversized dome light works beautifully and injects some modern pizzazz. The light contains a surprise – when you're seated, its opulent floral-embossed interior becomes visible (flip back to page 99). →

**It's a update**

**THE REST** Replica Xavier Patechard, "Tolix" chairs in Yellow, \$139 each, Sokol. **ON TABLE** FROM LEFT Airvase folding paper vase, \$21.95 for 3, Upon A Fold. Black glass ridge vase, \$55, Exhibit. Pantone espresso cups, \$16 each, Top3 By Design. Tapas "Gallery" napkin in Caper, \$19.95 for 6, Aura. The Coffee Percolator porcelain serving vessel, \$90, Siletto. Exorcist and Frankenstein glass vases (holding white chrysanthemums), \$14.85 each, and replica Boccia horse head, \$104.50, Versucci. **ON WALL** Dandelion wallpaper in Anteed, \$190 a 10m roll, Porter's Paints. Small plates: melamine in Futta Fish, Coffee Cup and Pelican, \$20 each, and French Bull in Black & White Stripe, \$22, Terrace Outdoor Living. **ON CHAIR** Zip jacket, \$179, Country Road. **ON FLOOR** Pebble weave wool rug in Coal (1.7m x 2.4m), \$790, Armadillo&Co.

adds "control"

**LIGHT** Replica Marcel Wanders "Sky Garden 1 Luminaire" (60cm), \$695, Matt Blatt. It covers about two-thirds of the tabletop. We hung it dramatically low, directly over the centre of the table.

**TABLE** Coppola in Russian Oak (1.6m x 85cm), \$999, Oz Design Furniture. The turned legs and 90° angles of the table simultaneously echo and contrast with the shape of the lamp, while fitting in with the "traditional" look of the rest of the room.