

# ▶ The Haute List

Here it is... this year's eye-candy roundup of the must-have looks for the home, and two creatives you need to know.

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## Designing Woman

Laguna Beach interior designer **Lisa McDennon** is reinvigorating classic Cali home style, using her background in fine art and architecture to create sublime spaces. "I take cues from many elements and find a wealth of inspiration from my natural surroundings," says McDennon. "I like to incorporate organic elements even in the most glamorous of rooms." She accomplishes this by using surprising pops of color, or creating understated

neutral spaces characterized by clean lines. Though she recently designed a master bedroom around a bed upholstered in Pantone's color of the year, emerald green, the designer loves whites and warm grays. Her secret: "Using these colors as a base, [layer] colors on top of them. ... We are using a lot of smoky blue/gray with persimmon, throwing in hints of yellow." Want more McDennon decorating do's? Her custom tours of O.C. provide insider access to the region's top artisans, boutiques and other specialists. [lisamcdennon.com](http://lisamcdennon.com)

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Lisa McDennon creates elegant spaces by incorporating unexpected hues or simple, neutral elements, and she finds inspiration in nature.