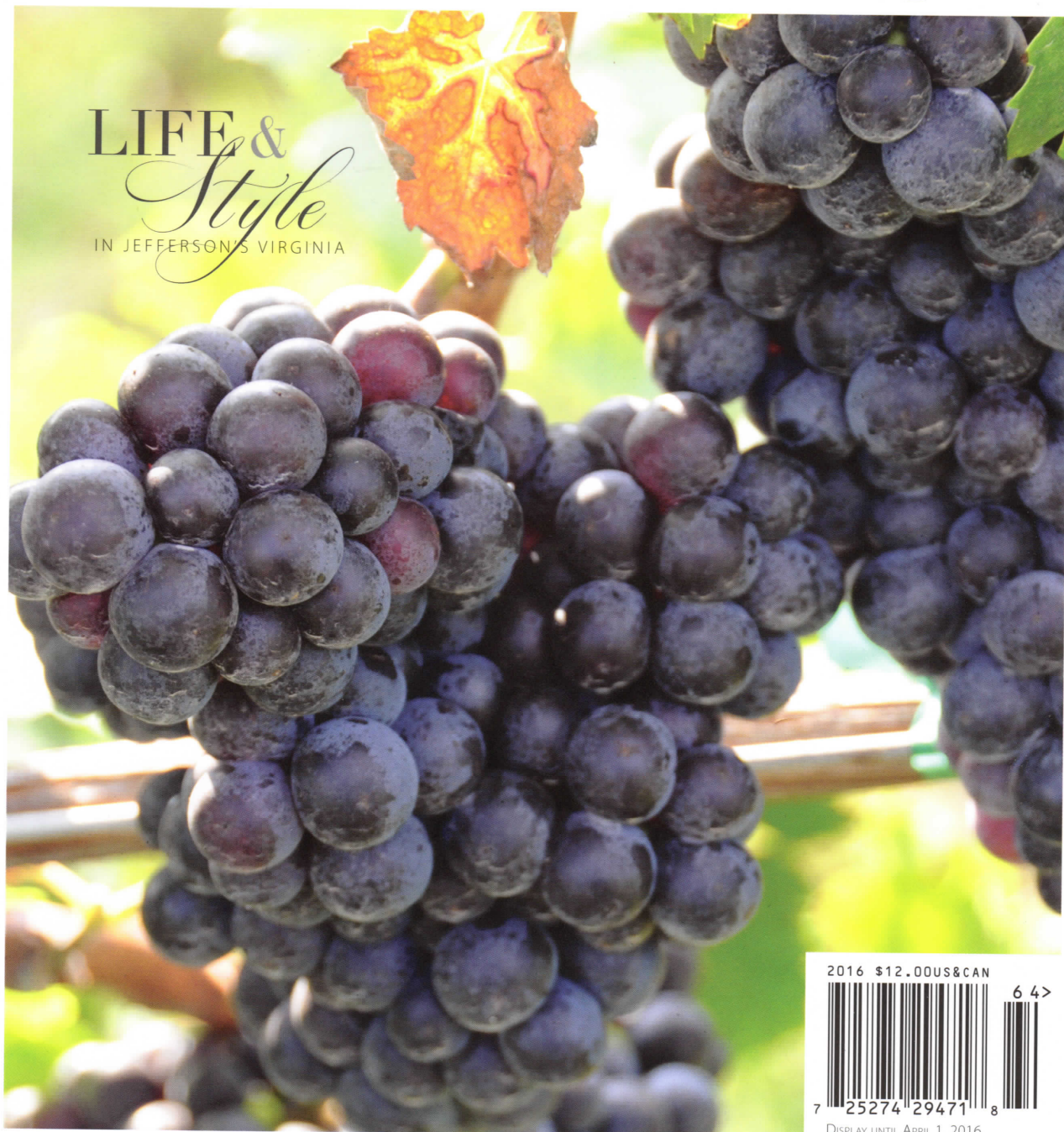


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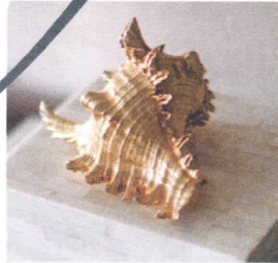
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# Style



A blend of modern, traditional and even whimsy come together for this international couple who relocated from NYC to a loft-style downtown condo.

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Charlottesville is home to a number of financial and high-tech companies, and when Andrea Stiernstrand relocated from New York City, a loft apartment at the Gleason Building felt like the perfect choice to ease the transition. The fourth-floor condo has views of nearby Carter Mountain yet is steps from the weekly farmer's market and the shops, restaurants and bars on the Downtown Mall. Andrea, her husband Reidar, a native of Sweden, and their Cavapoo, Ginger, love living in the middle of Downtown's bustling scene.

As you enter their home, the foyer reveals a chic blend of modern, traditional and even whimsical style. The walls are covered in grass cloth, adding interest and texture. Leather barrel chairs with beautiful patina flank a pair of consoles, and underneath, the Tibetan lamb benches add a little touch of whimsy that lets you know that this couple knows how to balance elegance and fun.



Andrea and Reidar's condo was stark when they arrived, so they enlisted the expertise of interior designers Victoria Pouncey and Beth Ann Kallen of Folly Home Furnishings, a retail store and interior design studio on West Main Street, to bring personality and warmth to their home. The blend of traditional and modern pieces is achieved with an easy but chic flair. "I'm more modern and Beth Ann is more traditional. So, both our styles came together seamlessly with this project, and we're really pleased with it," says Pouncey. "The owners are so great to work with! They let us push the envelope; Andrea wasn't as sure about the leather Barcelona day bed as Reidar was but she loves it now and it's one of the coolest pieces in the space."



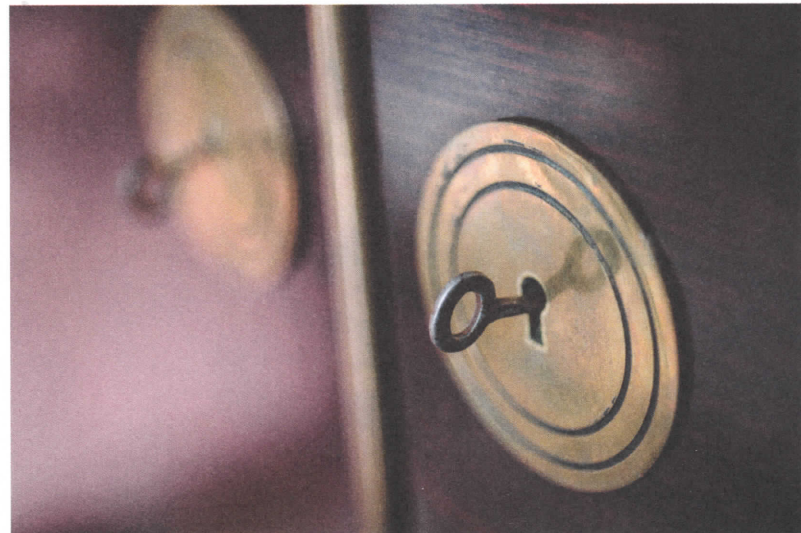




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Using a colorful Ikat fabric by Martyn Lawrence Bullard as a jumping off point, Pouncey and Kallen pulled together the eclectic collection of furnishings and accessories. That same fabric appears on custom lamp shades in the entry hall, tying the two spaces together. The olive green in the Ikat was pulled into the woolen flat-weave area rug, another modern twist. “I love the recurring geometrical references in the pieces. The keyholes of the Jules Leleu style art deco cabinet we recently acquired for the couple and the circular pattern of the carpet are a great example,” says Pouncey.

The couple entertains regularly so the round dining table that can always accommodate the one or two more guests who stop in is an important element to the livability of the space. Andrea and Reidar appreciate the fact that the dining area can become as formal or as casual as they like.







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“The powder room was a delight to put together” says Kallen. “We found this amazing foil wallpaper by Osborne and Little that has a beautiful soft glow, and we swapped out the standard bathroom fixture for a picture light over the mirror that gave it an unexpected twist that really works. The sculpture is one of my favorite pieces.”



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In the den, where the couple curls up to watch TV in the evenings, Pouncey and Kallen created a warm cozy space by painting the walls a deep gray blue that coordinated with the deep blue velvet sofa Andrea already had. Everyone's favorite piece in the room is the large framed celestial map with hand-applied gold leaf stars. The worldly vibe of the rooms remind the couple of their travels and family abroad, making their Charlottesville space feel truly like home. ●

