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BY ACCENTING SPECIFIC AREAS WITH DEFINED DETAILS—A BONE-INLAID CHAIR OR A WHITE CORIAN KNOB—ROOMS CAN BE TRANSFORMED FROM SIMPLE TO SUPPLE



6 "I love contrasting decorative elements, like a metal-and-glass staircase with faux-bois stairs."

THOMAS JAYNE

Custom-designed, Thomas Jayne Studio.

7 "I get furniture with bone inlays from Bali and unusual fabrics from Madagascar."

ROBERT COUTURIER

Chair, \$1,595, ABC Carpet & Home, NYC, 212-473-3000.

8 "I used a technique called trapunto. The pattern is stuffed from the back to create the 3-D effect, and stitched in red to make it stand out. The leather is practical and modern."

KATIE RIDDER

Custom-made trapunto chair, Katie Ridder.

9 "I like this classic shutter hardware because it's substantial and feels authentic. I like the simple holders, and on the back of the shutters there are beautiful strap hinges for those rare times that I close them. I also request that the hardware be hand-hammered so



"A classic elegant shape in a modern clean material—like this Corian doorknob—is such a home run. It's also a lot sexier than its metal counterparts." ERIC HUGHES

Corian knob, H. Theophile.
htheophile.com.

■ "I get enormous embroidered panels from Lesage that I use on dining room walls." ROBERT COUTURIER

■ "Every door in our office has a different knob. We collect them from clients' rejects. We have knobs from the Pierre Hotel. In the powder room, we have a faceted crystal knob that looks like Chanel jewelry on a door upholstered with vintage Chanel fabric." SCOTT SALVATOR

11 rubber shower fittings from Agape. I like materials that reflect the function of the object. The rubber seems more appropriate for carrying water than metal does, as the flexibility of the rubber mirrors the fluidity of water. It reminds me of a garden hose."

DIANA KELLOGG

Kaa showerhead, \$350. agapedesign.it.