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House Tour: Eva Chen's Charming Connecticut Retreat

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The algorithm doesn't lie. Slowly but surely, the Explore grid on Eva Chen's Instagram feed morphed from shoes, bags, and beauty serums into ceramics, mirrors, and house tours. Meanwhile, words like *patina* and names like *Paul McCobb* began to pepper her conversations and thoughts. All signs pointed to her latest project: the renovation of a Connecticut country home for her young family.

For Chen, a born-and-raised New Yorker and sartorial superstar who now works as Instagram's Director of Fashion and Shopping Partnerships, these newfound fixations marked an even larger shift. "I grew up a first-generation American in Greenwich Village and didn't know a landscape beyond Manhattan," she reflects. "To me, nature was Washington Square Park." A weekend at Troutbeck hotel with her husband, Tom Bannister, an advertising creative director, introduced her to the low-key delights of that sylvan stretch where upstate New York meets Litchfield County. Suddenly the consummate city girl had her sights set on the simple life.

Down came a wall, opening up the living room to allow for several seating areas, with ample space for Ren and Tao to build forts while mom and dad, both avid readers, bury their noses in books. In the kitchen, the removal of partitions yielded an equally multipurpose space, with a dining area, fireplace, window seat, and new beadboard walls that satisfied Chen's call for coziness. And the conversion of the attached garage into a bedroom anticipated visits from her parents, now regular guests. Throughout the home, meanwhile, Hendricks Churchill updated windows, details, and finishes for optimal light and visual cohesion.

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"Our goal was not to reinvent the house but to make it work better," notes Churchill. Adds Hendricks: "It all just sort of flows." She also worked hand in hand with the couple to furnish the rooms, pulling together sturdy, stylish pieces that could withstand the rhythms of their rowdy brood. Some come from showrooms Chen has long admired, places like Plain English, ABC Carpet & Home, and Apparatus. Others were sourced at estate sales or Reservoir, Hendricks Churchill's own trove of antique treasures. And many were online discoveries, from artworks seen on Tappan Collective to vintage finds on Etsy and 1stDibs. "I've always loved the thrill of the hunt," Chen notes.

Since the family moved into the home in the summer of 2020, the slog of urban parenting have given way to long, happy country days, as Ren and Tao splash around the pond and survey the grounds, looking for newts, dragonflies, geese, turtles, and bunnies. "Losing structure has been the greatest gift," says Chen. "I never thought I'd be that person in gardening clogs."



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"We fell in love with the quietness and with the landscape, which was wild and not groomed to perfection," she says, adding that, with two young kids, Ren and Tao, "we needed a break from the weekend birthday-party, playground, park-sprinkler grind." (The couple recently welcomed their third, River.) After a search that Chen, also a celebrated children's-book author, likens to the story of Goldilocks, they fell in love with a contemporary Cape Cod house on nearly 10 untamed acres of land. "Some homes were too big, some were too small, but this one felt immediately right," she recalls of its 2,800 square feet. "The bones were good. The energy was good. I could tell another family had been happy here."

At the recommendation of their real-estate agent and friends, the couple enlisted the Connecticut-based design firm Hendricks Churchill to update the home. "I introduced myself over DM, my primary form of communication," Chen jokes. "Heide [Hendricks] and Rafe [Churchill] really understood how to unlock the potential of the house, to make it warm and elegant and not too precious."



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알고리즘은 거짓말을 하지 않는다. 하지만 분명하게, 인스턴트 익스플로러에 온 에버 앤드 EVO Chen의 인스타그램 피노 사탕의 스낵, 과일, 미니 세팅에서 도시락, 거울, 파우스 투어로 바뀌었다. 한편 그윽한 맛을 뜻하는 'Patrol' 같은 음악과 폴 맥코비Paul McCobb 같은 이름이 그녀의 대화와 사색 속에 간간히 등장하기 시작했다. 모든 일 후가 그녀의 최근 프로젝트들 가까이 있었다. 바로 그녀의 어린 자녀들을 위한 코네티컷 전담주재의 리노베이션



인정받지 않는 Plain English, ABC 가넷 & 홈, 아파타시스(Apparatus) 같은 소품에서 구했다. 소유를 처음 판매한 후 헨드릭스 차일드 소유의 헨리의 소장을 저장고에서 가져온 것도 있었다. 그리고 이런 협력자들(Tappan Collective)에서 찾은 예술 작품부터 옛사우너(Old)와 페르티스타(Fabrizio)에서 찾은 빈티지 소품까지 여러 소품은 온라인에서 구한 것들이다.

"우리는 영문학과 언어학으로 꾸미지 않은 자연 그대로의 풍경에 출몰했어요." 그녀가 말하면서 루 아이 렌(Ren), 타이(Tad)와 함께 "주말 샌딩까지, 놀이방, 스포츠용머리띠 같은 골목 안쪽으로부터 찾아와 했고"라고 덧붙여 말했다. "부부는 최근 생애 최대 River를 맞이했다. 휴일 아침 서적 재자기도 한 찬이 골드락(Goldlock) 통학에 비유할 정도로 열심히 일하는 부부는 1천만, 2천만 달러는 부지에 차익 있는 현대식 캐피트 코드(Cape Cod) 주택에 반하고 있었다. "어떤 집은 나무 코고, 어떤 집은 나무 작업도, 그렇지만 이 집을 보니 제발했어요." 그녀는 그 집이 7만 달러라고 말했다. "기본 골조는 괜찮았어요. 기운도 좋더라고요. 여기서 다른 가족이 행복하게 살아가는 것을 알 수 있었죠."

앤드 헨리 가족이 차남의 여름 이곳으로 이사한 후, 도시 육아로 고부하던 시간이 길고 행복한 전환의 시간으로 바뀌었다. 친구들과 이웃 주변에서 물을 튀기며 놀고, 도롱뇽, 잠자리, 거위, 거북, 토끼 등을 찾아 양을 채우고 다니기 때문이다. "재미있게 양을 구경할 줄 아는 것만으로도 신물이 되었어요." 앤이 말했다. "제가 집안 손님을 신중하고 다정 다단하게 환영합니다." (VIC)

부동산 중개업자와 친구들의 소개로, 이 부부는 브라운링에 본사를 둔 디자인 기업 헨드릭스 차일드(Hendricks Churchill)에 집의 리노베이션을 맡겼다. "주로 사용하는 커뮤니케이션 방식인 DM으로 자기소개를 했죠." 앤이 재밌게 말했다. "자네 헨드릭스 차일드(Hendricks Churchill)와 레이프 차일드(Rule Churchill)은 이 집의 잠재력을 알아채는 방법, 마땅하고 우아하면서도 재치있게 꾸미지 않는 방법을 정말 잘 알고 있었어요." 독서를 즐기는 앤과 이복이 함께 집중하는 동안 앤과 레이프의 요새를 지을 훌륭한 공간과 대안을 찾을 수 있는 몇몇 공간을 만들기 위해 벽을 허물고 용접살을 치렀다. 부엌에는 크리켓을 제거해 다이닝 공간, 벽난로, 창가 좌석에 아이들을 위한 전용 안락시기는 새로운 비드보드(Beadboard) 활을 갖춘 다용도 공간을 만들었다. 또 주택에 붙어 있던 차고를 집으로 개조해 수시로 방문하는 창의 무대상을 만들 계획까지 했다. 한편 헨드릭스 차일드 집안, 최상의 재능과 비주위의 조화를 위한 야간 채취 등 집 전체의 세부 요소들을 새롭게 손봤다.

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Sometimes, a [piece of furniture](#) comes along and changes everything around us. If a painting is meant to be looked at and fashion meant to be worn, furniture is meant to be lived in—slept in, worked in, sat in. It dictates how we interact with our surrounding spaces, how we go about our every day. Even during the most mundane moments: George Nelson's collection for Herman Miller, for example, created the template for cubicles, now omnipresent in office buildings around America.

But what are these pieces that have not only entered our homes but our collective consciousness? *Vogue* asked 22 interior designers and professionals to find out. Their answers ranged from the simple farm table to Gaetano Pesce's Space Age-esque Up chair. Some of them are akin to priceless works of art: Take Yves Klein's Table IKB. In 1961, Klein painted a canvas with International Klein Blue, a color he invented himself. (The work now sits in MoMA.) Two years later, after the artist's death, his widow shepherded a coffee table filled with the same ultramarine pigment to market, based on the late artist's prototype. Yet, unlike fine art, design is a medium where form almost always follows function: You can still set your coffee mug upon a Table IKB—although we'd recommend a coaster.

Below, a list of the most iconic furniture designs in history, as chosen by the experts.

Barcelona Chair by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe



The Mies van der Rohe Barcelona chair immediately comes to mind. Its streamlined form and durable materials are incredibly versatile and easily work with so many styles, from traditional formal antiques to contemporary furniture designs. The chair also ages beautifully over time and acquires a great patina on its leather. —Heide Hendricks, [Hendricks Churchill](#)