

the APRIL edit

NEWS * IDEAS * SHOPPING * INSPIRATION

THIS
MONTH
WE'RE
LOVING

EASTER FLOURISHES

As many of us celebrate the Easter weekend with a seasonal feast, create a pretty spring display on your table with fresh blooms, laidback linens and cheerful decorative touches.



Kenton vases (left and right), £20 each; Burford vase, £40; carafe, £25; wine glasses, £38/four; wooden egg tray, £25; mini basket, £15/three; mini domed cloche with tray, £15; mini eggs, £15/ten; mini glass hearts, £15/six; all The White Company

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BE THE FIRST TO KNOW

Fans of iconic brand Habitat will be pleased to discover it's now easier than ever to track down its quality, affordable furniture and homeware. As well as Habitat's website, the collection can now be found online at Sainsbury's and Argos Home, plus in selected Sainsbury's stores and three Habitat showrooms. Brass table with four chairs, £430; Lowenna mesh ceiling light, £120; Solomon hammered brass vase, £20; all Habitat



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For a beautifully simple seasonal display, try combining tulips of three different colours in a tall, wide-necked glass vase. Cut the outer stems a little shorter and arrange together in a tight swirl for a florist-style bouquet

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STREET

SERVING BOWLS Give your dining table a quick and simple refresh for spring



Camila serve bowl, £39.50,
Oliver Bonas



Broste Copenhagen bowl,
£16, Heal's



Mango-wood serve bowl,
£15, Habitat



Strøm bowl by Raawii,
£45, The Conran Shop

TRENDING NOW

Shades of the sea

Blended hues of blue, green and grey are an ever-popular choice for creating a calm and harmonious mood. Take inspiration from paint expert Benjamin Moore's colour of the year, Aegean Teal, to bring this oceanic trend into your home.



Reactive-glaze dinner set, £25, George Home. Flora pendant light in Pacific Blue glaze, £59, Pooky. Sami cushion in Teal, £68.50, Villa Nova. Alis vase in Reactive Blue, £15, John Lewis & Partners

Aegean Teal 2136-40 paint, from £24/0.94L, Benjamin Moore





MEET THE MAKER

OTTOLINE



HOW IT BEGAN

Growing up just outside Amsterdam, Ottoline de Vries was taught basic decorating skills from a young age and later found herself drawn into the world of design.

DOING IT YOURSELF

'When I began doing up my own home, I was bursting with ideas and energy – and the skills I learned in my early years were so valuable,' she says. Returning home from her day job, Ottoline would happily work through the

night, wallpapering rooms and upcycling furniture. It was a fruitless search for the 'perfect' wallpaper that led her to begin sketching out her own ideas, laying the foundations for what would become her first wallpaper collection, which launched in 2015.

INSPIRE HAPPINESS

Made in the UK and the Netherlands, her designs have since evolved to span wallpapers, lampshades, fabrics and cushions, with uplifting colour remaining at the heart of each collection. Available at The Fabric Collective or online at ottoline.co.uk.



Planters, from £12; cushions, from £5 each; throw, £15; side tables, £35 for two; rug, from £30; all George Home

Now is the time to...

BLUR THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN INSIDE AND OUT



As the days brighten and get longer, bring spring indoors with pretty pots of greenery and echo with textiles and botanical accessories. For inspiration, browse the new range at George Home for plant- and flower-inspired pieces.

Genius!

Known for cleverly designed furniture that makes the most of small spaces, Urbansize has launched a new collection for alcoves. Notoriously tricky spaces to tackle, narrow Victorian recesses can now be home to super-stylish storage, or even transformed into a neat home office with adaptable desks.

For more details, see urbansize.co.uk

