

OPEN HOUSE

SHOPS + SHOWROOMS

Holiday shopping just got a little more enjoyable for design-savvy Texans, thanks to a slew of stores that have recently popped up. For starters, contemporary furniture stalwart Kartell (1964 W. Gray St.) is opening a new flagship in Houston's River Oaks. In Dallas, interior designer Kristin Mullen launched an eponymous home décor shop coined Curated by Kristin Mullen (6725 Snider Plaza), which features styled vignettes of hand-selected finds and dually hosts her design studio, while Parisian silversmith Christofle (67 Highland Park Village) chose the city's Highland Park enclave for its second Texas boutique. If you're in Austin, drop by the new 60,000-square-foot **RH Austin** (11720 Domain Blvd.), the latest iteration of the brand's next-generation design galleries, located at buzzy The Domain. Also, Annie Downing Interiors (509 Powell St.), above, launched a chic, lived-in interiors showroom offering accessories, upholstered furniture, art and more in the capital city's growing design district downtown.

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WHO: Dallas-based Judy Aldridge, blogger, tastemaker and the woman behind online décor brand Atlantis Home, arouses some serious decorator envy on her expertly layered and well-collected Instagram account.

WHAT: Mixed prints and rich hues take center stage in Aldridge's perfectly eclectic feed, as she travels the globe in search of handwoven textiles and artisan goods. Also, expect to see recurring appearances from her precious canines—all eight of them.

WHY: If you're a fan of piled-on, Bohemianchic interiors, you will fall in love with the hip and cozy vibe of her ever-changing abode.

IN HER WORDS: "Sometimes my photos are very planned and curated, but other days something specific will stop me in my tracks and I'll have to post it. Shaker chairs, wingbacks, levels of decay and Victorian sofas all catch my eye. And I can never turn down gilt mirrors and unique sconces."



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GIORGETTI HOUSTON

In Houston, century-old Italian furniture maker Giorgetti is making its way into the luxury-branded real estate industry with a new boutique condominium: Giorgetti Houston. Slated for completion in 2018, the seven-story building containing 32 roomy units will be located in the city's tony Upper Kirby neighborhood. Bellaire-based Mirador Group will helm the design of the structure, with the steadfast furniture brand's aesthetic sensibility ever in mind. "Everything from the building's geometry to the fixtures and finishes within have been inspired by the Giorgetti brand," says Jerry Hooker, principal of the Mirador Group. The texture of the exterior façade, for example, is informed by the design house's Origami sideboard, while exotic woods, leathers and fabrics distinctive to the Italian company are woven throughout the interiors. Consider it a home made in Italy. giorgettihouston.com



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