

# bold moves in every room

Poppy colors (hello, hot pink!) and gutsy patterns make this Texas home stand out from all the rest.

**bold move**  
What looks like cool geometric wall art is really a set of sliding barn doors that hides the master bedroom suite. Sneaky!

**bold move**  
Black-and-white-striped ottomans from One Kings Lane are a noticeable-now focal point.

**living room**  
Daring decorating in the living room started with a neutral base: creamy white walls (Alabaster by Sherwin-Williams) plus gray Belgian linen sofas and white chairs from Restoration Hardware. The fun marched in with striped ottomans, gleaming metal accents, and pink-infused pillows. The spiffed-up barn doors with black wood molding were inspired by paneling in BG Restaurant, homeowner Katie Kime's favorite spot at Bergdorf Goodman in New York City.



Greg and Katie with (from left) Halle, 5; Will, 10; Ava, 8; and Duke, the family's labradoodle

**h**ere are a few things you should know about Katie Kime's decorating style. One: Her favorite color is pink. Two: Large prints do not scare this designer. And three: She's a whiz at mixing fun, whimsical patterns. So when she and her husband, Greg Henry, bought a house just west of Austin, TX, with uninspiring beige/khaki walls, Katie seized the opportunity to dive into a total transformation. Her mission: Make the two-story home burst with color, personality, and one-of-a-Kime touches that would feel in sync with the young family of five (six including 75-pound Duke, their chocolate labradoodle). "The key is to trust yourself," says Katie, who owns a home decor store in Austin. "If you like it and your eye says it works, then it does."



**exterior**  
Located in Rollingwood, TX, a 10-minute drive from downtown Austin, the house was built in the late 1990s, but its Southern-style columns and wide porches evoke an earlier era. Other than painting the trim Dark Kettle Black by Valspar to contrast with the limestone, Katie and Greg left the exterior as is. A black-and-white-striped sofa and pink pillows from wayfair.com hint at what's inside.

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**entry**  
Katie was determined to use the pink rug she bought on a trip to Turkey as the centerpiece in the foyer, but Greg was reaching his pink limit. Her solution: Soften the impact with a sleek white console with silver leaf doors from High Fashion Home, seagrass wallpaper, and traditional blue-and-white vases. Dark-stained hardwood floors help balance the rug color, too.

**bold move**  
Kilim rugs may look too fragile for an entryway, but they're actually made of durable wool that wears well over time.

**bold move**  
Giant metal lampshades from a nearby Williams-Sonoma outlet were turned into pendants for a fresh take on a chandelier.

**bold move**  
Wrapped in seagrass wallpaper, the dining room feels cozy instead of formal.

**dining room**  
A fuchsia rug from One Kings Lane and shiny blue seats lend a shock of color to the dining room, the spot for special-occasion meals both large and small. "Every once in a while we'll do a fun family dinner with candlelight—just the five of us," says Katie. Thanks to an extension on the Restoration Hardware dining table, she's also able to entertain a crowd. The tall gold lamps are from Z Gallerie, and the mirror-front wood buffet is from High Fashion Home.

**bold move**  
Katie's twist on traditional dining chairs? Patent leather on the front, marbled zinc-print cotton by HGTV HOME on the back.



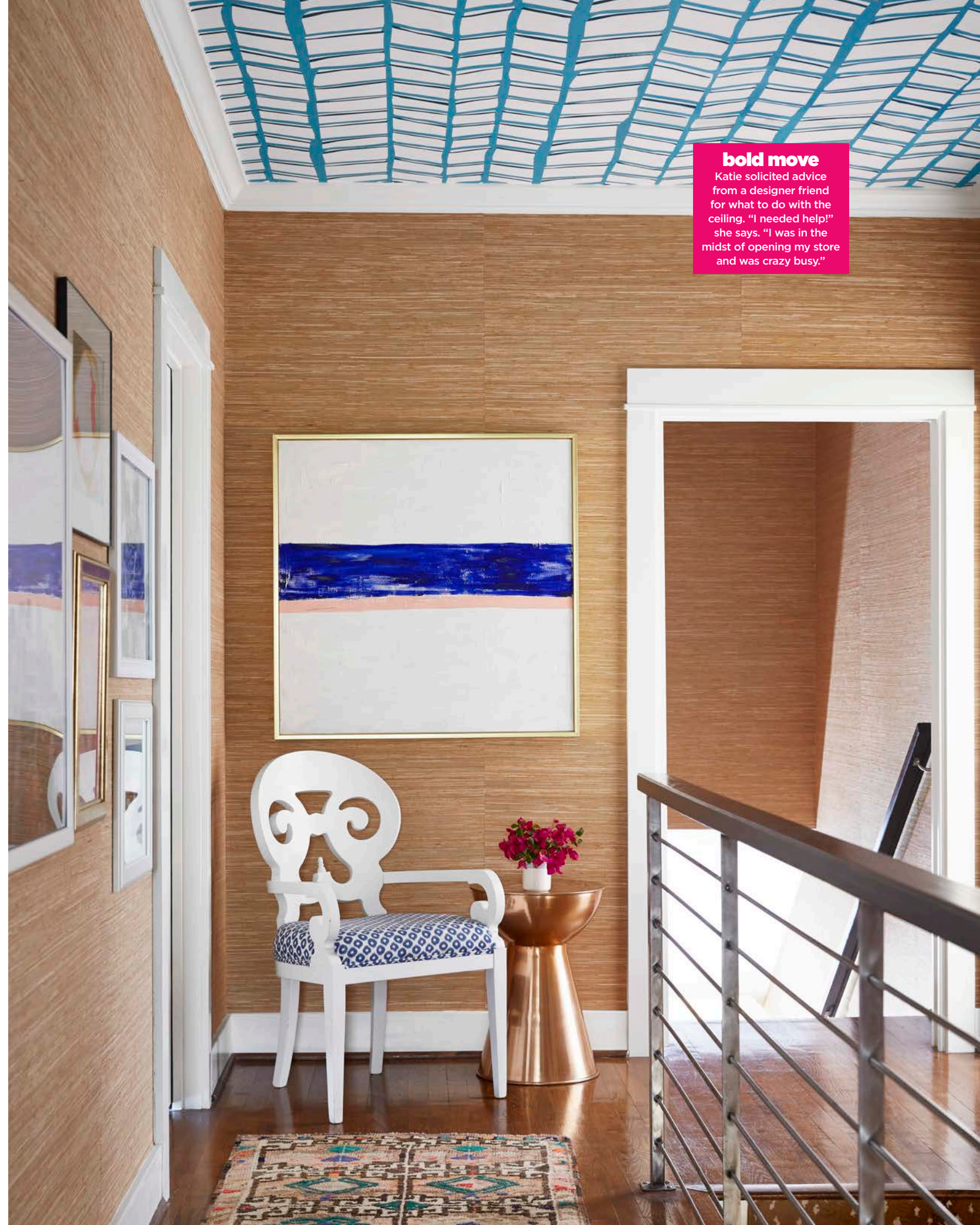
**bold move**  
Open shelving for a family of five is arguably the boldest move of all, but it forces everyone to put stuff back in its spot.

**kitchen**

For the busiest room in the house, Katie went with a clean, quiet white scheme, adding color with accessories and servingware. She kept the subway tile backsplash, the cabinets, and the farmhouse sink from the previous owner, but installed Macaubas quartzite countertops on the Lucite-base island and across the counters. "It looks like marble but doesn't scratch," Katie says.

**upstairs landing**

"Wallpapering the ceiling with a print that I designed was a way to incorporate pattern without it feeling in-your-face," says Katie. "Plus, I wanted to pick up the blue in the vintage kilim runner." Pretty details—like the upholstered chair (from her store) and an oil painting, her own work—also contribute hits of the hue. The copper side table is from Target.



**bold move**  
Katie solicited advice from a designer friend for what to do with the ceiling. "I needed help!" she says. "I was in the midst of opening my store and was crazy busy."



**bold move**  
Katie personalized a bed from wayfair.com with a custom canopy and panels of crisp white linen that puddle on the floor.

**wall color**  
Gravel Gray by Benjamin Moore

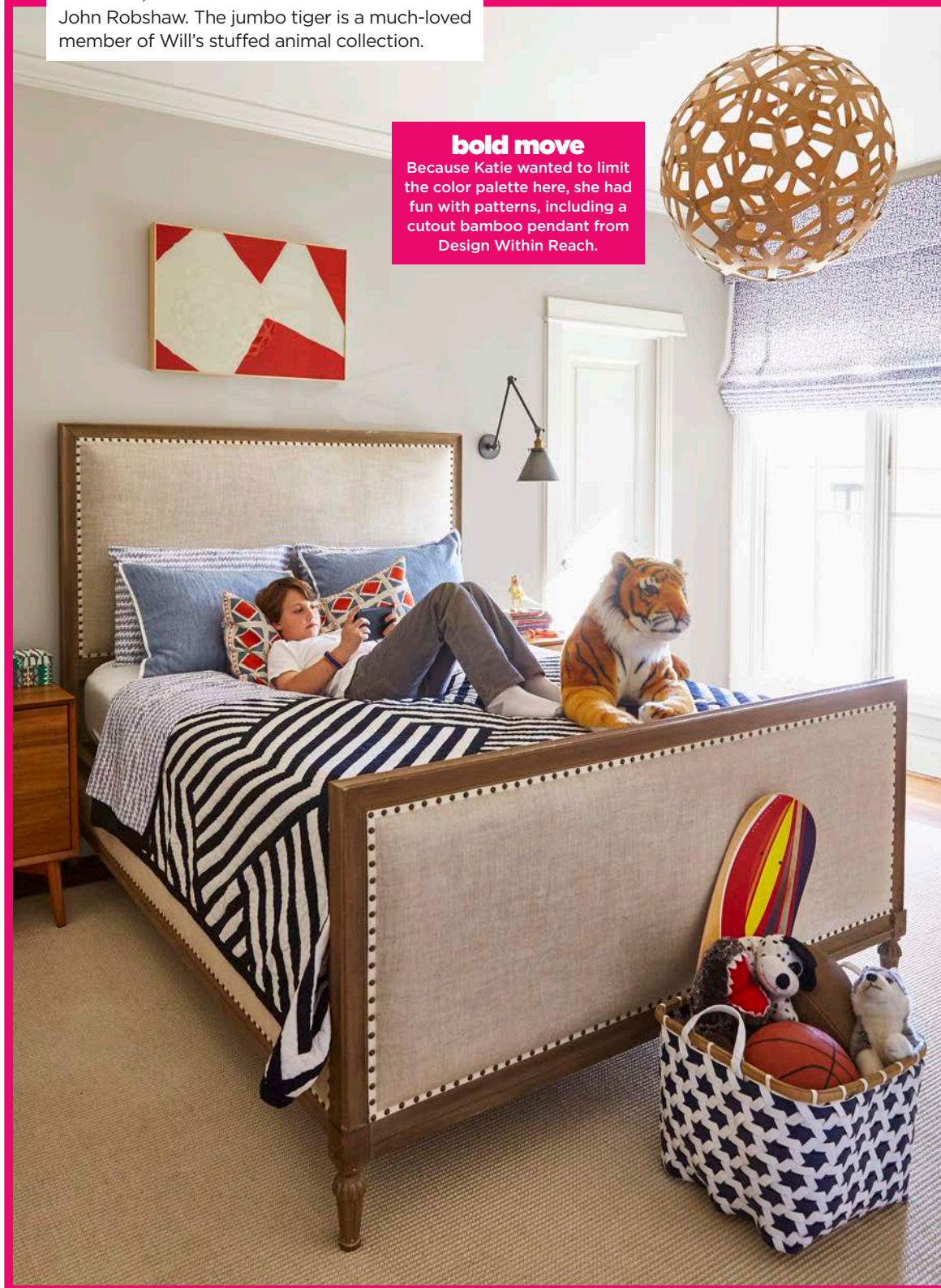
**bold move**  
The 38-inch-wide gold-finish chest from High Fashion Home pulls double duty: It serves as a nightstand and a dresser.

**master bedroom**  
Katie's formula for a dramatic room: Paint the walls a super-dark color—like gunmetal gray—then incorporate white for contrast. Along with the white bed canopy, she added preppy Roman shades trimmed with navy grosgrain ribbon. The groovy cone-and-sphere chandelier is from Jonathan Adler. The aqua blue settee is from Restoration Hardware, and the pillow on it is from Williams-Sonoma. Katie found the gold-trimmed acrylic bookshelf on One Kings Lane.

“Use your favorite colors throughout your house. Go ahead and commit to them.”  
—Katie

**will's bedroom**

“The challenge with Will's room was designing it in a way that lets him be a kid but will still look appropriate when he's 18,” says Katie. She settled on a sisal rug, a bed frame upholstered in stain-treated sandy linen from Restoration Hardware, and a black-and-white coverlet from John Robshaw. The jumbo tiger is a much-loved member of Will's stuffed animal collection.



**bold move**  
Because Katie wanted to limit the color palette here, she had fun with patterns, including a cutout bamboo pendant from Design Within Reach.



**bold move**

"I love the old-school look of matching fabric and wallpaper," says Katie. "It has a sixties mood, but it feels modern thanks to all the white."

**ava's bathroom**

Want to fill an entire room with one pattern? "The large scale is key," Katie says of her Bees Knees design. "If those bees were small, it would look dizzying." Two-inch honeycomb-shape floor tiles take their cue from the buzzworthy print. The vanity is painted Admiral Blue by Benjamin Moore.

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**bold move**

Katie customized the headboard with fabric she designed, and paired it with a pink-stripe duvet. The stripes are the same scale, but because they go in different directions, the look isn't too matchy.

**ava's bedroom**

Like in Will's bedroom, Katie picked a scheme that's young and fun, "but that Ava will like beyond her next birthday." The grown-up-looking burlwood bedside tables hold a pair of sleek lamps from HomeGoods, and the periwinkle medallion rug is from Lulu & Georgia.

**back porch**

The family's favorite spot before they even moved in—a screened-in porch with killer views—is now their go-to for movie nights. To make it feel cozy, Katie outfitted the space with a linen sofa from Restoration Hardware, which she had weatherproofed by a company called Fiber-Seal, and a coffee table that's big enough for casual dinners. Assorted pillows from her store and IKEA fill the swing bed that the previous owner left behind.

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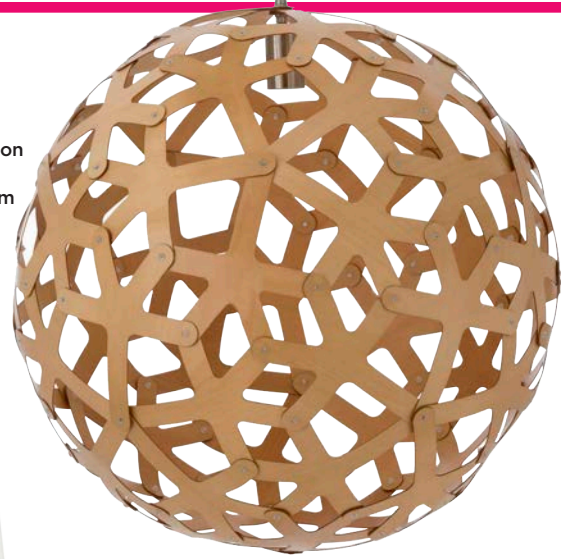
When Katie ordered fuchsia slipcovers for the swing's cushions, Greg cried foul. How could he invite his buddies over to watch football if they'd be lounging on a bed of pink? The family now has a second set of slipcovers in gray.

**bold move**

The kids are always in and out of this space, says Katie. The Anthropologie poufs are perfect for plopping down.

**pendant**

US Imports Coral 15 3/4"-diameter basswood suspension lamp, \$210.50, Imodernlighting.com



**chair**

Safavieh Buchanan linen and wood chairs in navy, \$450 for a set of 2, bedbathandbeyond.com



**side table**

Maci 19"W x 19"D x 17 1/2"H acrylic and steel table, \$499, highfashionhome.com



**vase**

Blue & White Diamonds 13"-tall glazed ceramic vase, \$30, jamaligarden.com



**art**

Flow by Julianne Gilpin 44" x 44" print, \$175, minted.com



**lamp**

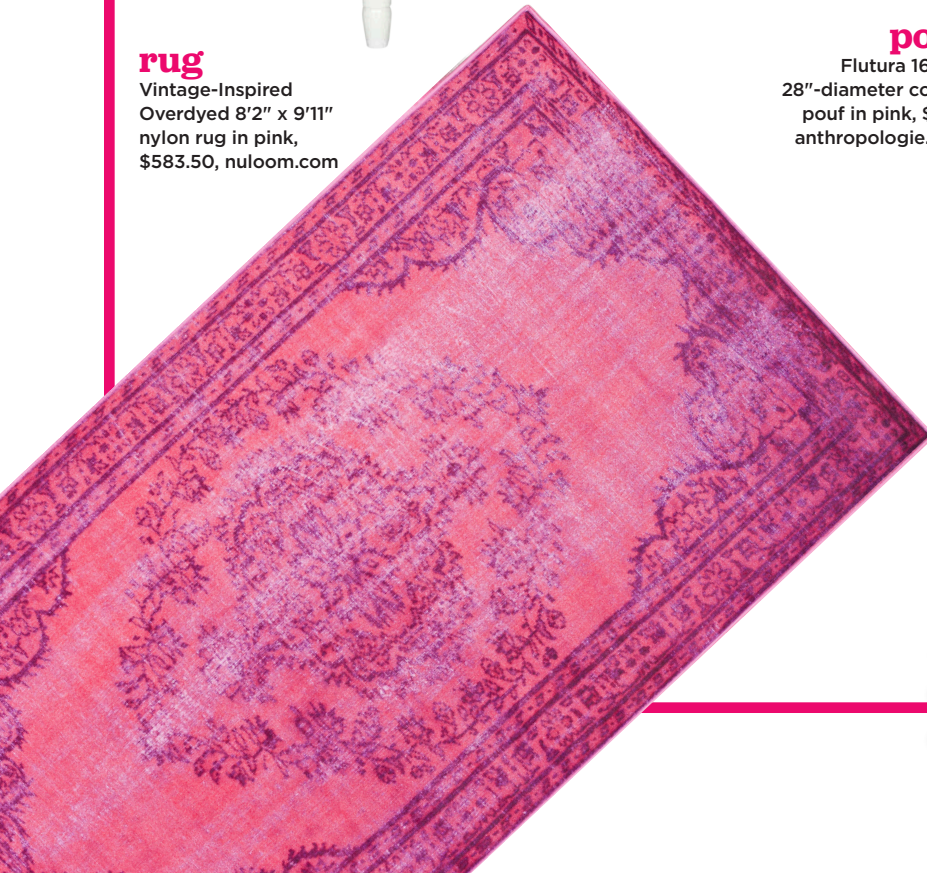
Threshold Gold-Plated Geometric 19"-tall ceramic lamp with shade, \$35, target.com



**now get the look**

**rug**

Vintage-Inspired Overdyed 8'2" x 9'11" nylon rug in pink, \$583.50, nuloom.com



**pouf**

Flutura 16"H x 28"-diameter cotton pouf in pink, \$198, anthropologie.com



**fabric**

Bees Knees cotton twill fabric, \$40 per yard, katiekime.com



BEES KNEES FABRIC: EMILY KATE ROEMER/STUDIO D; GIRAFFE: STUART TYSON/STUDIO D

**sofa**

Oasis 72"-wide polyester sofa in mystic blue, \$799, article.com



**pillow**

Kanha Striped 18" x 18" polyester pillow in black, \$55, thepillowcollection.com



**pillow**

Sabrina Soto Ele Otomi 16" x 16" cotton pillow, \$25, target.com



**giraffe**

Giraffe 10"-tall glazed ceramic gold object, \$50, dwellstudio.com

