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Boothby, 34, who is expecting her second child, in the living room she designed for a client's Westchester County, New York, home.



On the Rise: Chauncey Boothby

For many designers, accessorizing is a chance to show off their practical magic, turning a pile of bricks into a home with a capital H. Chauncey Boothby's clients refer to it as "Chauncifying." "I think they envision me showing up with my Mary Poppins bag and twitching my nose!" jokes the Rowayton, Connecticut, decorator. In reality, she says, there's "a lot less magic and a lot more schlepping" involved in finding the quirky pieces that help create her signature cozy, New England–inspired interiors. Boothby, a Maine native, credits two years spent under the tutelage of Charlotte Moss (she has also done stints with David Easton and Ashley Whittaker) for spurring her love >



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of unconventional techniques: "Charlotte once sent me into the trenches of Manhattan's Garment District to hunt for the perfect gray wool pinstripe to upholster the walls of a powder room," she recalls. "From her I learned not to limit my resources, because you never know when or where inspiration will strike!" —Hillary Brown

HER FAVORITE THINGS

1. PICTURE BOOK, BY JOHN

DERIAN "Beautiful, bold illustrations that you can flip through for hours." \$75. johnderian.com

2. BAILEY FABRIC IN SEAFOAM "It looks like Belgian linen, but it's indestructible." Available through a designer. thibautdesign.com

3. SMALL TEAK CHEST IN

PAINTED PIGEON "A classic take on a midcentury shape." \$1,769. chelseatextiles.com

4. SLATER RUG IN NATURAL "Rugs are the backbone of a room, and this plaid sets the tone without being overly graphic." Available through a designer. meridastudio.com

5. STUDIO GREEN PAINT "This deep green is nearly black but feels softer. I tend to use green as a neutral." farrow-ball.com

6. HUNTER'S TOTE IN

OLIVE DRAB "You'll see me lugging this waterproof bag wherever I go. You can take the girl out of Maine...." \$35. Ilbean.com

7. GATHERED BEDWYN LAMPSHADE IN YELLOW QUARTZ "A patterned shade

makes even the most basic of lamps feel like a statement." From \$105. fermoie.com

8. THONET BENTWOOD-AND-CANE STOOL "A great all-

purpose piece. I use mine as both a drinks table and an ottoman." 1stdibs.com

9. WIND FROM THE SEA, BY

ANDREW WYETH "Growing up, I would fall asleep to the sound of the summer breeze blowing the roller shade against my window. This painting captures that very memory."