

Inside the Artsy Midtown Apartment of David Scott

His easy design style has been much copied, but a tour around this designer's home reveals a startling talent for originality

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David Scott.

"What makes a New Yorker is drive. You just get to it or you don't last," David Scott imparts this information to the *Observer* from his Midtown, art-imbued apartment. Art by Harry Bertoia, Jasper Johns, Frank Stella, Steven Bindernagel, Ed Ruscha, James Kennedy, Frank Flynn and John Fraser provides an equal backdrop of 180-degree views of the city. Mr. Scott, his dachshund Ethan and all of this artwork share a one-bedroom apartment converted from what was once a two-bedroom.

Color, texture, space and proportion are the most important elements of design for Mr. Scott. He gathers a great deal of inspiration from books. *Cleavage* by Bethany Fancher, *A Visual Life* by Charlotte Moss, and a Matthew Ritchie book feature on the coffee table. As for knowing what will complete a room, Mr. Scott suggests an oddity or element of surprise. "Sometimes when I'm shopping I'll find an object that I wouldn't think is perfect, but is."