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Verde Home



Too often discussions of earth-friendly home environments quickly segue into mind-numbing technical details about ventilation, off-gassing, and sustainable harvesting—features more likely to inspire engineers than home decorators. Fortunately, green retailers are recognizing that aesthetics are just as important as eco-credibility.

One of the best local stores at combining design with conservation is Verde Home in Westside Atlanta's new Brickworks shopping center. The mission of Verde Home, which opened in late 2007, is "to bring beauty into your home without adversely affecting the beauty of the natural world." Now that's a sense of priorities a decorator can respect.

Started by three Atlanta design veterans—antique expert Laura Walker and Rugs by Robinson alums Paul Baird and Kent Schneider—Verde Home carries furniture, accessories, and rugs, all selected according to strict environmental criteria. But all the technicalities—organic fabrics, sustainable woods, re-purposed materials, fair play, locally sourced, etc.—are discreetly explained on the website, not promoted overtly in the store.

You don't even have to know the owners' admirable philosophy to fall in love with Verde Home. Walker, an interior designer who spent several years in London and Milan, has a talented eye for interesting accessories, ranging from antiques and found elements to graphic patterns and ethnic handcrafts. Antiques run the gamut from classic European pieces to exotic Asian finds. There are glamorous upholstery and casegood collections, with organic fabrics and elegant details that defy eco stereotypes. And, not surprisingly given the owners' backgrounds, there is an extensive collection of hand-woven Tibetan carpets.

For the best selection of the store's one-of-a-kind furnishings, get there quick before 5 Seasons Brewing opens their new location across the hall.

Verde Home, 1000 Marietta Street, Suite 244, 678-927-9113, verdehomeinc.com

* Great Finds

Found Objects at Stanton Home Furnishings

After fruitlessly combing eBay for factory artifacts, we found the best collection right in our own city. Stanton Home Furnishings has a wealth of rusty gears, springs, spools, wheels, and carts—transformed into lamps, tables, and accents. Owner Jimmy Stanton has always had an eye for clever accessories, but he's proving quite the master of this industrial genre. Though Stanton is revamping its website, you'll have to visit the store to appreciate these great one-of-a-kind finds.

Stanton Home Furnishings, 1250 Caroline Street, 404-586-9000, stantonhomefurnishings.com



* Events

Project Playhouse (Sept. 13-Oct. 4) For this fifth annual fundraiser, the city's leading homebuilders will design, construct, and decorate a mini neighborhood at Lenox Square. Last year, HomeAid Atlanta (a nonprofit that builds transitional housing for the temporarily homeless) auctioned off six fanciful playhouses from a fire station to a general store, and then raffled one away to a lucky winner. Lenox Square, 678-775-1401, homeaidatlanta.org/projectplayhouse

Ansley Park Tour of Homes (Sept. 20-21) The Ansley Park Civic Association presents its sixteenth bi-annual tour, celebrating "one of Atlanta's original garden suburbs," with its winding streets and lavish parks. Dubbed A Walk In The Park, the tour will snake through a number of gardens and historic homes ranging from "small bungalows to gracious mansions." Ansley Park, anslevpark.org

Fall Atlanta Home Show (Sept. 25-28) SEMCO Productions presents this twenty-fifth annual extravaganza for home improvement, remodeling, and landscaping showcasing more than 300 vendors. Cobb Galleria Centre, 770-998-9800, atlantahomeshow.com

35th Annual Grant Park Tour of Homes (Sept. 27-28) This year's tour features 14 of Atlanta's most historic and beautiful homes, with an added bonus of live music. Special stops this year include Oakland Cemetery and the Grant Mansion, home to the Atlanta Preservation Center. Highlights include a large chandelier originally housed in a theater, a collection of historic artifacts from original turn-of-the-century homeowners, and a house that once had a tunnel running underground to the park. 404-586-9999, GrantParkTour.org

Dunwoody Woman's Club Home Tour (Oct. 1) This year's tour includes four homes, two newly constructed and two renovations, in addition to a design seminar and two decorator boutiques. For info, call 770-394-0435, or visit dunwoodywomensclub.org.

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