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101 MAKEOVERS!

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01 DAVID KLEINBERG
Paint your living room doors Chinese red with a high-gloss finish, and slipcover the sofa in red and white mattress ticking. The result will be young and vibrant.

02 CELERIE KEMBLE
Buy a tree in a basket or planter and put it in your loneliest corner. I love a fiddle leaf fig for its sweet platypus bill-like leaves. If you want to go the extra mile, stick some uplights behind it.

03 JASON BELL
When we got a puppy, we casually draped and tucked those white canvas painter's drop cloths over the furniture. It calmed everything down and looked so good that we kept them on a lot longer than we had to.

04 JACKIE TERRELL
I don't use fragrance normally, but there's nothing quite like Santa Maria Novella's potpourri. People walk into the house and say, 'Oh, what is that?' It's just incredibly clean and fresh.



05 PHOEBE HOWARD
I once had a friend stay with me for a week and she cleaned out all my drawers. It was a life-changing experience. So go to the Container Store and buy all those drawer dividers and start organizing.

06 THOMAS JAYNE
Paint your baseboards a contrasting color such as Spanish brown or dark gray. It's like applying eyeliner—it will make the wall pop. Plus, it won't show scuffs.

07 VICENTE WOLF
Consider setting the furniture—and the carpet—on an angle. It will change the whole dynamic of a room.

08 DAVID MANN
I draped a Mongolian lamb's wool throw over my lumpy old sofa and suddenly it was luxurious and exotic.

11 LIBBY CAMERON
Buy a bunch of those battery-operated LED Everywhere lights for only \$8.99 each. They're like little hockey pucks, with adhesive on the back. Put them under a console table, on top of a bookcase, or use them to backlight some interesting object on a shelf.

15 JENNIFER GARRIGUES
If you want a little drama in your life, change the color of your lampshades to black. Much more dramatic, and it creates lovely pools of light—along with a little punctuation—in a room. Line the shades in gold paper to add a little sparkle.

19 GLENN GISSLER
The single cheapest makeover I know is a dimmer, a new CD, and some flowers.

20 MARIO BUATTA
I love wooden tassel-and-ball fringe in all colors, shapes, and sizes. It looks great on cushions or curtains or lampshades.



21 CONNIE BEALE
If your bookshelves look bland, paint the back and sides a contrasting color. Pick up the color across the room with an accent pillow or a throw.

22 ROBIN BELL
Buy inexpensive ribbon by the roll and glue-gun it as a border around the room, outlining each wall

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So you want to do something right now?
Here are ideas for every room...

Interviews by CHRISTINE PITTEL

09 SUZANNE LOVELL
Go to Home Depot, buy a length of crown molding at least two inches deep, and nail it to the wall to create a picture ledge. I'd do it in a family space, like a kitchen or a hallway. Buy standard frames and pop in your children's art or family photos and change it around every few weeks.

10 KATIE RIDDER
I was visiting a friend in the south of France, and every night she would light a Jo Malone candle in my bedroom and close the door. When I walked in to go to bed, there would be this waft of scent—basil, lime, and mandarin orange. Now, whenever I light this candle, I think of France.



12 PHILIP GORRIVAN
Experiment with different lightbulbs in your sconces and chandeliers. Instead of the traditional flame tip, try using clear Edison bulbs. Ditch the shades for a more modern look.

13 KELLY WEARSTLER
Paint stripes on your ceiling. Leave the base white, then choose a color a shade off from a color already present in the room. Stripes create movement and energy. It's a delightful surprise.

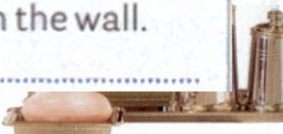
14 SUSAN FERRIER
Slipcover a sculptural chair in gauze. You'll see the form in shadow. Very intriguing.



16 DAN CARITHERS
Get some wicker baskets or nice bowls—whatever you might have—and fill them with Lady apples, pears, or English walnuts, depending on the season, and put them all around

37 AMY LAU
Create the perfect picture wall. I organize my photos according to theme. I like to print my travel photos out in sepia tones and then order frames and matting from thepicturewallcompany.com. They make it so easy that the photos practically arrange themselves on the wall.

18 BARRY DIXON
If you want to accentuate the height of a room, apply braid, tape, or trim to the leading edge of the draperies.



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