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Retro Style : The '50s Look For Today's Home



Synopsis

Recalling the home fashions of the 50's, this volume offers today's home decorator a more discerning perspective on an era that evokes endless nostalgia. With functional household products-kettles, toasters, hand blenders, and more-being fashionably designed, these stylish accessories make chores at home far more glamorous. This colorful, easy-to-follow guide highlights the look of the period-from materials like Formica and molded plywood to the patterns of sgraffito and dissected fruit. It also provides how-to projects for creating classic styles in a modern setting.

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The historical information and pictures of classic furniture are useful and can serve as some inspiration when putting together your own 50s look. The projects in the book, however, seem like a lot of work for not a lot result, time consuming, perhaps more expensive than an equivalent purchase, and in one instance (a wall hanging from a CD sleeve) downright tacky. There are way better books on this subject (see, Pad).

It's an interesting text but disappointing in its' blend of British and US mid-century modern. I had hoped for more American mid-century modern. The text borders on a craft book approach of "projects you can do at home". I had hoped for more focus on mid-century modern classics. Would not buy again, but that is due to my error in not reading the descriptions more carefully.

This book has many helpful ideas about turning modern items into retro-looking pieces. A definite help if you're in the market for something and just can't find it you can do it yourself.

I really enjoy this book...brings back a lot of memories for us born in the 50's!! Nice size and great pics!! If you love mid century dÃ©cor....this is a book for you!!

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