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When it comes to crafting inspiring spaces inside and out, these are the designers raising the bar today

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NEW ENTRY



'We are traditionalists at our core, but we're also a young, dynamic team who take colour seriously'

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With a love of classical architecture and antiques, Sean Symington says he is a traditionalist at heart 'but never precious about it'. Together with his young, dynamic, Cotswolds-based team, he takes colour seriously, ensuring rooms feel vibrant, fresh and energised. Pattern on pattern, antiques beside contemporary art – anything goes. @seansymington

→ Sophie Paterson Interiors

This studio specialises in a classic-contemporary style. That translates to subtle colour palettes, adding antiques and bespoke, crafted detailing – for instance, murals, embroidered suede panelling, or a 16-coat japanning process to create mirror-like lacquered walls, all of which featured in this recently completed Belgravia residence (pictured). @sophiepatersoninteriors



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A Tale of Two Designers

For a bespoke female tailor, there is no better way to begin a new chapter than by establishing a presence on Savile Row. Caroline Andrew's cossetting atelier has been brought to life by interior designer Sean Symington, who combines a mural by Zardi & Zardi, inspired by tapestries at Leeds Castle, with Edward Bulmer walls in Trumpington, calling to mind grand country drawing rooms. Elegant and understated yet rich in thoughtful detail, the space is designed to reflect the aesthetic of Andrew's brand. carolineandrew.co.uk →

The atelier's wall lights and shades are by Vaughan; sisal carpet by Unnatural Flooring Company