

SPECIAL HOME ISSUE

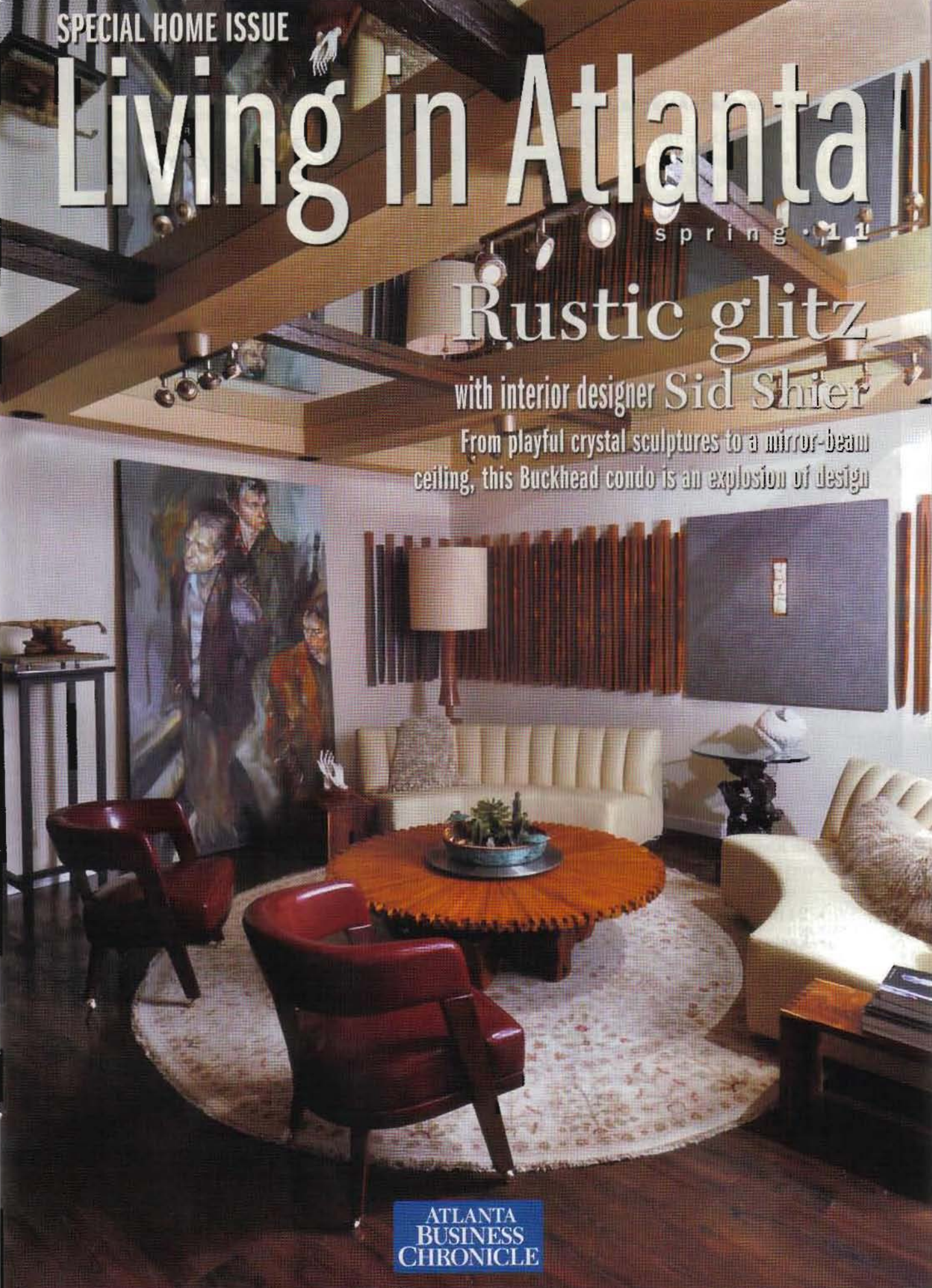
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Rustic glitz

with interior designer Sid Shier

From playful crystal sculptures to a mirror-beam ceiling, this Buckhead condo is an explosion of design



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Living in Atlanta's Wendy Bowman-Littler spoke with representatives from local home furnishings and related stores about "10 Things" readers must have for their homes right now.

1 ONE-OF-A-KIND LIGHTING.

Why not customize a crystal fixture for your dining room, entry foyer or that special location? In addition to carrying contemporary, transitional and traditional lighting lines, we can create crystal fixtures in numerous sizes and any length to scale your room perfectly. We use various crystal glass, and we can accentuate it with Swarovski crystals because we are a partner and have access to their complete crystal collection. This masterpiece will be one-of-a-kind and the talk of the town. Our customized Swarovski fixtures range from \$2,500 to \$25,000.

— Yaacov Golan, president and owner, C Lighting [333 Buckhead Ave., Atlanta, (404) 760-1119; www.clighting.com]



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2 BEAUTIFUL BACCARAT. I'm in love with the new Marcel Wanders collection for Baccarat.

Wanders and Baccarat have collaborated on the new United Crystal Woods collection, bringing together several facets of the company such as Forest of Dreams, multipurpose votives and candlesticks, and vases decorated with a lace pattern etched to various thickness; Kings of the Forest, monumental cut vases on solid brass bases (limited editions); and Woods of Euphoria, a set of utterly elegant wine glasses and carafes. The finale of this imaginary forest is Spirits of the Woods, an improbable family of deer and stags, made of polished stainless steel and antlers encased in cut crystal. Prices range from \$70-\$150,000.

— Lawrence Pritchard, owner, OwenLawrence [1200 Howell Mill Road N.W., Atlanta (404) 869-7360; www.owenlawrence.com]



3 DELICIOUS DINNERWARE.

Handmade in Italy's Veneto region near Venice, the beautiful Vietri dinnerware line can be used in the oven, microwave, dishwasher and freezer. Neiman Marcus and Charles Willits in Buckhead carry it.

— Owen Halpern, owner and consultant, Project O [3417 West Paces Ferry Court N.W., Atlanta, (404) 266-2531; owenhal@aol.com]



4 GLOBAL GOODS. We're all about filling your home with items that reflect your personal-

ity and travels. We love mixing pieces like the Dari Sideboard (\$699.95) with the aqua Ming Cabinet (\$299.95), along with patterns and textures from different time periods and societies. This creates the modern eclectic look that is so current, yet timeless.

— Christine Howard, creative director, I.O. Metro [three metro-area sites, including 3625 Dallas Highway, Suite 360, Marietta, (770) 425-0405; westcobb@io-metro.com]



5 SUPER SHAVER. I honestly can't tell you where my clothes

would be without the Alessi clothes shaver designed by Stefano Giovannoni. It keeps all my sweaters looking store-bought crisp. When pilling becomes overwhelming for me on my sweaters, jackets, slacks and coats, I just whip out this orange shaver and within seconds the small balls of fluff on the surface are wiped out. At \$53, it might sound a bit extravagant, but don't mess around with a cheaper version, especially when it comes to your wardrobe.

— Daniel Troppy, "luxury curator," Doubletake Recycled Luxury Boutique [659 Auburn Ave., Suite G7, Atlanta, (404) 935-8253; www.dtroppy.blogspot.com]

6 DOGGY DIGS. Custom Anthony | Wolf dog houses are chic furniture pieces that blend in with any interior. Plus, they can double as a side table or ottoman. We think they are cool, because they give our pets — which are such an important part of our lives — a special place in our own living spaces that are just as prominent and good looking as any other piece of upholstery. These pet beds are all about form and function. Prices range from \$290 and up, based on the options selected and the size of your pet.

— Kelly Anthony, owner and creative director, Anthony | Wolf [56 East Andrews Drive, Suite 32, Buckhead, (404) 869-0042; www.anthonylwolfcollection.com/]



7 CONVERSATION PIECES.

How about an antique Chinese wedding cabinet from the 19th century? The polychrome scenes were applied by hand-using purpose-made dyes and stains, and the cabinet has its original lacquer finish. It blends well with any type of furnishings, including French, English or transitional pieces. A statement piece that is considered more artwork, it has a variety of uses, such as decoration, a drinks cabinet or even to hold a television or stereo equipment. This beautiful piece retails for \$7,450.

— Channing Mercer, co-owner, Joseph Konrad [693 Miami Circle N.E., Atlanta, (404) 261-3224; www.josephkonrad.com/]



8 ARTISTIC STATEMENTS.

We have an expansive collection of original art from local artists. No matter what your home décor style, art can set the tone, be a punch of color or the focal point that ties a room together. Finding a piece that you adore will instantly add personality and uniqueness to the space, creating a room that is undoubtedly yours. There are absolutely no rules when it comes to art and you definitely don't have to stick with just one artist or just one style. Instead, mix and match colors, styles, sizes and media to create your own "collected look."

— Marty Mason, owner, Savvy Snoot [West Side Urban Market, 1187 Howell Mill Road, Atlanta (404) 355-1399, and Historic Alpharetta, 30 North Main St., (770) 442-1315; www.savvysnoot.com/]



9 THE PERFECT CENTER-PIECE.

Iittala's Alvar Aalto vase (\$48) is available in an array of sizes and colors. Designed by the modernist architect Hugo Alvar Henrik Aalto in 1936, glassblowers at the Iittala factory still handcraft the legendary vases that are variations on one theme: fluid organic

shapes. Interpretations of the shape in new colors and materials add to the growing Alvar Aalto Collection. We love it as a centerpiece filled with flowers or even a pencil holder on a desk.

— Roy Otwell, co-owner, SwitchModern [1193 Howell Mill Road N.W., (404) 605-0196; www.switchmodern.com/]



10 COST SAVERS.

The brain in the Rain Bird Smart Control System measures usable rainfall, sun/shade exposure and soil type by individual zone, resulting in precise, efficient irrigation and eliminating over- or under-watering. Programming is simple, and customers should expect to use any-

where from 30 percent to 70 percent less water. The result is a lush landscape with healthy plants and a double bonus of energy and cost savings.

— Deb Harrison, Owner, Habersham Gardens [2067 Manchester St., off Cheshire Bridge Road, Atlanta (404) 873-4702; www.habershamgardens.com/]

