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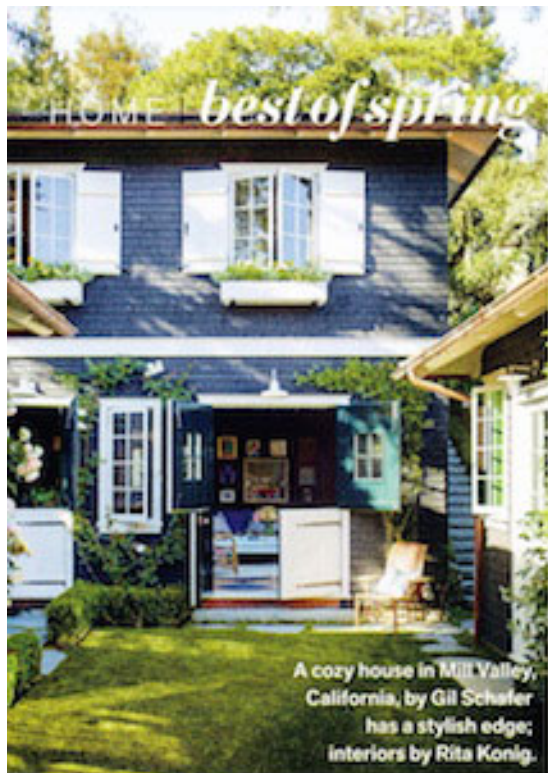
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A cozy house in Mill Valley, California, by Gil Schafer has a stylish edge; interiors by Rita Konig.



FROM FAR LEFT: Black Blue, \$110 a gallon; farrow-ball.com. Ebony Slate, \$53 a gallon; benjaminmoore.com. Caviar, from \$32 a gallon; sherwin-williams.com.

Ike Kligerman Barkley cites Swedish precedents for a dark facade in Connecticut.



HOUSE: COURTESY FROM TOP LEFT: IBC PHOTOGRAPHY; DESIGN: IBC; DR: IBC; FOLLOWING



In Cashiers, North Carolina, D. Stanley Dixon plays up dormers and a front porch with an obdurate exterior.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

A striking ebony exterior highlights architecture and landscaping with a marvelous urbane charm.

We know: It sounds a little witchy. But as the houses here prove, a black-painted exterior creates an opposites-attract relationship with traditional architecture, accentuating interesting roof lines, shutters, or Dutch doors (the trend actually has historic Swedish roots). It also provides a coolly elegant backdrop for manicured landscapes—playing up shapely boxwoods or giving a chic, sophisticated edge to sweet climbing roses. Break out the paintbrush!

MAKE IT ELEMENTAL

Barbara Westbrook's new collection of furniture for Holland MacRae has a soulful, plainspoken allure.

Designer Barbara Westbrook has a modern knack for antiques: She'll use a patinated piece to give a contemporary space character or edit down a roomful of heirlooms so that they feel fresh. Her line for Holland MacRae mines that ethos. Reproductions with aged finishes and classic shapes have a glorious sense of history—grace notes for any room. hollandmacrae.com.



LEFT: Wooden Bird House cabinet, to the trade. ABOVE: Wooden Laundry Cart table, to the trade.



BELOW: Tripod stool, to the trade.