

HOMES & GARDENS®

FEBRUARY 2011 £3.70

Bright & beautiful

fresh new looks for a New Year

**20
PAGES
OF INSPIRED
SHOPPING**

**STUNNING
HOUSES FULL
OF IDEAS**

RECALL: 02/02/11

INSPIRATION

- The hottest fabrics & wallpapers for 2011
- **CREATING STYLISH CLOAKROOMS & A COLOURFUL KITCHEN**
- Design an eco garden

EXPERT ADVICE
ALL YOU NEED TO
KNOW ABOUT
CARPETS & BLINDS



HOW TO MAKE IT WORK



SIMPLE LIVING

- Dare to mix both bold and more delicate embroidered patterns as this will add depth and interest.
- Keep soft furnishings simple and unfussy for an up-to-date look.
- Choosing practical loose covers for occasional seating, such as these slipper chairs, means they can be easily removed for cleaning.
- Using accessories that tone with the colours in the fabrics will help complete the look of the scheme.

19th-century French chairs, £1,365 plus 3m of fabric each, A&L Antiques. **Chairs in** Orletta 8141, linen, 130cm wide, £49m, Harlequin. **Turned-wood side table**, H40xdiam35cm, £1,526, Loft Living at Selfridges. **Paint on walls**, Chalky Downs 2, matt emulsion, £19.99 for 2.5 litres, Dulux. **Rush floor matting**, 470x270cm, £186sq m, Rush Matters. **Toulon ceramic vase lamp** CE54/BL, H33xW27.5cm, £306; **Bedford drum shade** in Natural Linen, H23xdiam38cm, £146; both Vaughan.



RELAXED DINING

- Mixing different bright and exuberant embroidered patterns together works well as long as they are all in shades of the same colour, in this case red.
- Embroidered textiles often look better when used in small amounts, framed or surrounded by a contrasting plain fabric.
- A largely two-tone colour scheme, such as red and blue, keeps the look simple and lets the embroidery stand out.
- In rooms with dark walls, a collection of mirrors and sparkly chandeliers helps to lift the mood.

Marakanda pouffes, clockwise from front left, Arancione, Cardinal and Arabesque; all H39xdiam51cm, £425 each, Quirico. **Paint on walls**, Celestial Cloud 2, matt emulsion, £19.99 for 2.5 litres, Dulux. **ON PAGE 87 Pierced ladderback chair**, H93xW55xD50cm, £1,800, Howe. **Tote bag in** Calliope in Multi DOPECA 302, cotton/viscose mix, 128cm wide, £32m, Sanderson. **Lined in** Smooth Velvet in Lagoon K5000/32, polyester, 140cm wide, £30.50m, Kirkby Design. **Edged in** Red ribbon GRO13561, £2.35m; Cream suede FLO10206, £8.13m; **tie in** Green tape COT19679, £0.81m; Floral tape, £3.33m; all V V Rouleaux.