

# How to do.. RETRO

LOVE the look? Check out our style tricks to create a fab Fifties/Sixties inspired theme in YOUR home...

## 1. Colours

IT certainly has to be the sunny shades - mix sunset orange with mustard yellow and add earthy neutrals, such as stone or brown. Bright summer colours work well too. Sky-blue and turquoise-green capture the look when used with fresh greens and soft grey.



▶ **Clock, £8.95** (www.dotcomgiftshop.com)

▶ **Lyon side table, £49** (www.marksandspencer.com, 0845 302 1234)

▶ **Maharani fabric for curtains from £35** Osborne & Little at Leekes (www.leekes.co.uk, 0845 050 8240)

## 2. Patterns and textiles

SIMPLE motifs in harmonious shades capture the fun vibe of the era perfectly - as in Orla Kiely's stem prints.



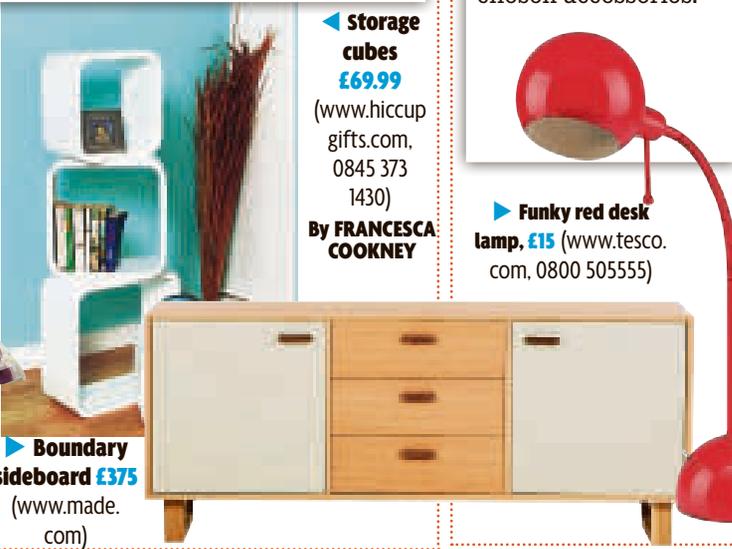
▶ **Tea towels, £7.99 for 2** (www.tch.net)

▶ **Orla Kiely storage jar, £20** (www.berryred.co.uk, 01432 274805)

▶ **Cadiz cushion, £16** (www.littlewoods.com)

## 3. Furniture

LOOK for basic, unfussy shapes in pale or painted woods, as well as moulded plastic and chrome.



▶ **Storage cubes £69.99** (www.hiccupgifts.com, 0845 373 1430)

By **FRANCESCA COOKNEY**

▶ **Boundary sideboard £375** (www.made.com)

## 4. Accessories

DON'T overdo a theme. It's enough to add a few well-chosen accessories.



▶ **Funky red desk lamp, £15** (www.tesco.com, 0800 505555)

## SAVVY savers

Home guru Alison Cork gets you more...for less

### ..80% off a new kitchen

IF you've been saving up for a new kitchen, now is a good time to start spending, as there are some great offers around. For a wide range of classic, contemporary and traditional designs for both kitchens and bedrooms, it's well worth visiting [www.bettaliving.co.uk](http://www.bettaliving.co.uk) or call 0800 269 945 for more info. The 80 per cent discount even applies to its newest designs, plus it offers four years' interest-free credit with a £99 deposit.

### ..Free international phone calls

BUY an International Calling Card from any Tesco store, from £3, to make free calls between 11am and 1pm on Friday, April 29. Visit [www.tescocallingcard.com](http://www.tescocallingcard.com) for more information.



### ..Striped hammock for £8

ENJOY the great outdoors from the comfort of this Union Stripe Hammock with fringe. Usually **£19.95** Sunday Mirror readers can get it for only **£7.95**. Visit [Dotcomgiftshop.com](http://Dotcomgiftshop.com) and quote HAMMOCKDOT before midnight on May 2, 2011.

### Take the kids to the movies for £1

LOOKING for a thrifty way to keep the kids entertained during this school holiday and at weekends? VUE is offering cinema tickets to selected movies for just £1 each for 2 to 12-year olds and accompanying adults get in for £1 too! Go to [new.myvue.com/offers-savings/kids-am](http://new.myvue.com/offers-savings/kids-am)

### ..Two courses with wine under £13

IN the mood for an Italian? Head to ASK where you can get two courses plus a glass of Bellini Prosecco for £12.95. Options from the set menu only. No voucher needed. Ends May 2.

### ..Less than half-price bronzer

AMBRE Solaire No-Streaks Bronzer spray tan is currently only £3.99 (RRP £8.16). Visit [www.savers.co.uk](http://www.savers.co.uk) or call 0800 107 8495 for your nearest store.

### Top tip

SWITCH off your oven and iron a few minutes before you need to stop using them - they will stay hot for quite a while and you will save on fuel bills.

### Experts say..

#### Wayne Hemingway, fashion designer

DON'T try to recreate a decade. If you do your whole room out in Sixties style, you will end up with a pastiche.

Your house will look like it's out of Austin Powers!

Pick things you like that work with what you've got already. Posters are a great way to add a touch of retro - buy one you like and frame it.

● Visit [www.vintagebyhemingway.co.uk](http://www.vintagebyhemingway.co.uk)

#### Donna Riley, Graham & Brown brand manager

SIMPLE designs work best for this on-trend look. Go for simply-drawn florals, curvaceous lines and basic geometrics.

#### Rebecca McEvoy, Habitat stylist

NATURAL wood characterised the 1960s era when Habitat launched.

Bold colours were used to striking effect but ornamentation was kept to a minimum. Try teaming straight lines with rounded edges.