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# MODERN + DESIGN



Designer Samantha Thomas



**THE PLACE:** Inhabit Interiors & Design is Barrie's newest style hub. Discover everything you need to furnish your home in the modern world. Interior Designer Samantha Thomas (ARIDO) has created a showroom with a comfortable, natural, organic atmosphere and pops of delicious colour. Furnish your home from top to bottom with furniture, art and accessories and get Samantha to design and install custom cabinetry, including a stunning new kitchen.

**THE STYLE:** The style is contemporary with fresh, clean lines. "It's a look I love but could only find in the big city," Samantha says. "I knew I had to bring it here and make it more accessible. Inhabit has exclusive rights in the area to sell furniture from Montreal-based G. Romano, known for its trend-setting

designs, and Gus, which mixes the elegant with the industrial. Add a Dash and Albert rug with local art and the intrigue will capture you.

**WHAT'S HOT:** Great design is always hot. Inhabit will help change your mind about contemporary design. It's as simple as starting with a neutral sofa and adding colour and texture through fabrics and accessories. You'll love the sturdy, well-made baskets in all sizes and the floor cubes covered in burlap coffee sacks. Add a cerulean chair, orange toss cushions and a geometric lamp to create the look.

**FAVOURITES:** "I do love colour," Samantha says. "People shouldn't be afraid of it." Colour comes from the resident Dash and Albert and Jaipur rug lines. "I also love the warmth of wood," she adds, referring to a selection of end, coffee and storage tables. Inhabit carries luxurious Nest candles, funky Danish wooden candleholders, design coffee table books and a fun line of gifts for people who enjoy entertaining in their homes.

**SERVICES:** If you are looking for a new custom kitchen, Inhabit is the place to go. Samantha offers the full design/build experience. The back showroom offers different looks. "We do everything from colour consultation to kitchen design, custom furniture and full project management," Samantha explains. Visit once and you will return again and again.

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