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THE PLACE: Located in downtown Burlington, Fairhome first got its start 15 years ago as a fabric store in Oakville. Over the years, owner Janet Sachade and her dedicated staff have slowly transformed the business into an interior décor and specialty gift store, featuring unique items, custom sewing and drapery, reupholstering, interior decorating services and a newly added furniture showroom. In 2004, Janet moved the business to Burlington, and it has since become a mainstay of the downtown core. The upstairs loft and furniture showroom, opened in 2012, features high-end, affordable, yet distinctive items such as casual slipcovered furniture, painted furniture, lamps, area rugs and artwork.

THE STYLE: "We travel to the Toronto trade show as well as US trade shows to source unique and exceptional product to showcase in the store," says Janet. Exclusive lines include Emma Bridgewater hand-painted pottery, collectable Fiesta dinnerware, Dash and Albert rugs, Pine Cone Hill bedding, Four Seasons furniture, and locally made Mennonite pieces. "People come to Fairhome for



our friendly, personable service and the assurance that they will always find an exceptional item that will fulfill even the most discriminating of tastes."

WHAT'S HOT? Janet says trends include the resurgence of vintage, reclaimed and repurposed items. Step into the store and peruse the line of reclaimed barn board home décor made from century-old barns in Ontario. If you're looking for something different, check out the serving platters and candle holders made of wine barrels from British Columbia. Various shades of blue and persimmon are great additions to the ever popular neutrals this year. "They are ahead of the pack, not only because everyone is all about recycling but they are neutral items that work with anyone's home and allow you to introduce pops of colour into the smaller accents," says Janet.

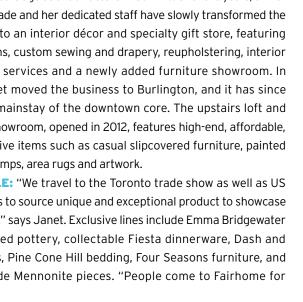
FAVOURITES: It's difficult to choose just one favourite, but the new swivel glider chair in coral and white is a contender. "It's bright, colourful and cheerful, and a great reminder that spring is here."

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