## LITTLE SHOP OF WONDERS

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THE STYLE: Dana's focus on breathing new life and style into classic wood furniture is accomplished with the professional expertise of cabinetmaker Michael Ellinger and experienced top finisher Brenda Fish, working in a separate large shop on the premises. In fact, when asked, Dana says, "I think what sets us apart is our staff - our salespeople and those who work behind the scenes. Pricing is also important. I don't buy expensive antiques. Once the pieces are customized to meet our customers' needs, savings are passed on to our clients." Continued on page 56









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**TOP OF THE WORLD** - Panoramic Views of the Bay as well as views over Thornbury, Georgian Peaks & the Beaver Valley from this 4000+ sq.ft home on almost an acre of property, 6 bedrms, 4 bathrms, Irg open kitchen & sunrm w/walk out to over 1000 sq.ft of decking to enjoy. Plus more & more..Sit back, relax, and enjoy the lifestyle the area has to offer!

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SANDY BEACH WATERFRONT - Fabulous views over Georgian Bay. 5 bedrm/4 bathrm 4,150 sq. ft residence! Many upgrades and improvements. Large sunroom facing the bay with 3 skylights, deck off kitchen for bbq & waterfront dining, main floor bedrm with ensuite, just a couple of the great features of this lifestyle residence.



RUSTIC STYLE, ELEGANT CHARM - This brand new Rainmaker home is just outside of Thornbury. 4+1 bedrooms, 3.4 bathrooms, cathedral ceilings, wood burning fireplace. Lower level hosts a large family room complete with wet bar or head into the theatre room to watch a movie on the 10'6 x 5'6 screen. Enjoy views of the rolling countryside from every room in the house.

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Backing onto the bay, this spectacular home is nestled on a quiet cul de sac in Blue Shores. With cathedral ceiling and soaring windows this spacious house has 3 bedrms & 2 bathrms. Enjoy the pleasure of a quick dip in the Georgian Bay, as it's just steps from your back yard!

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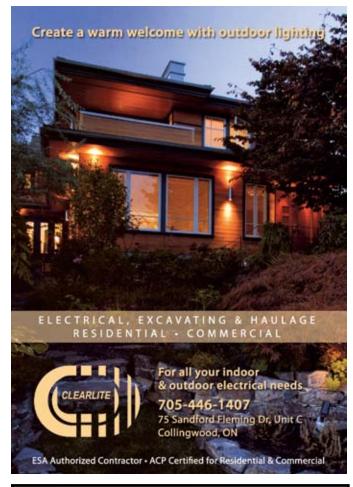


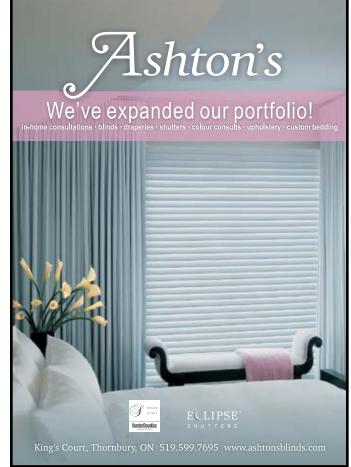
WHAT'S HOT: Dana feels people are no longer looking for dining and living room furniture that has a strictly matching look. "For a dining room, for instance, I may use three different suppliers to a varied selection of home décor items, including candles, coffee provide a coordinating look among the pieces: a hutch from Quebec, a table from Elmira and Wallenstein Mennonite chairs," says Dana. The shop offers conversation and wow-factor pieces like an antique flat-screen, lift-top cabinet, industrial works of rustic wood and metal as well as media centres created from repurposed reproductions. Customers always have the unique ability to choose custom paints and finishings for the classic furniture of their choice.

**SEASONAL:** Summer porch rockers and fine textile rugs will enhance any modern country home. Likewise, the store provides and side tables, lamps and apple ladders.

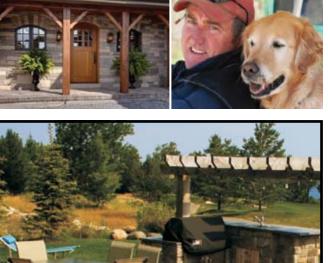
**FAVOURITES:** You may share Dana's favourite aspect of her business. "What I like best is shopping," says Dana. "Finding a find. Finding classic furniture that I can envision turning into a piece of beauty." Entering Dana's shop, you will be wonderstruck by the beauties you behold. WHERE: 9180 Hwy. 26, Wasaga Beach

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