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## instant makeovers

### 25 EASY WAYS TO UPDATE YOUR HOME

**clever tricks for small spaces**  
— yes, they exist

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3 beautiful bedrooms

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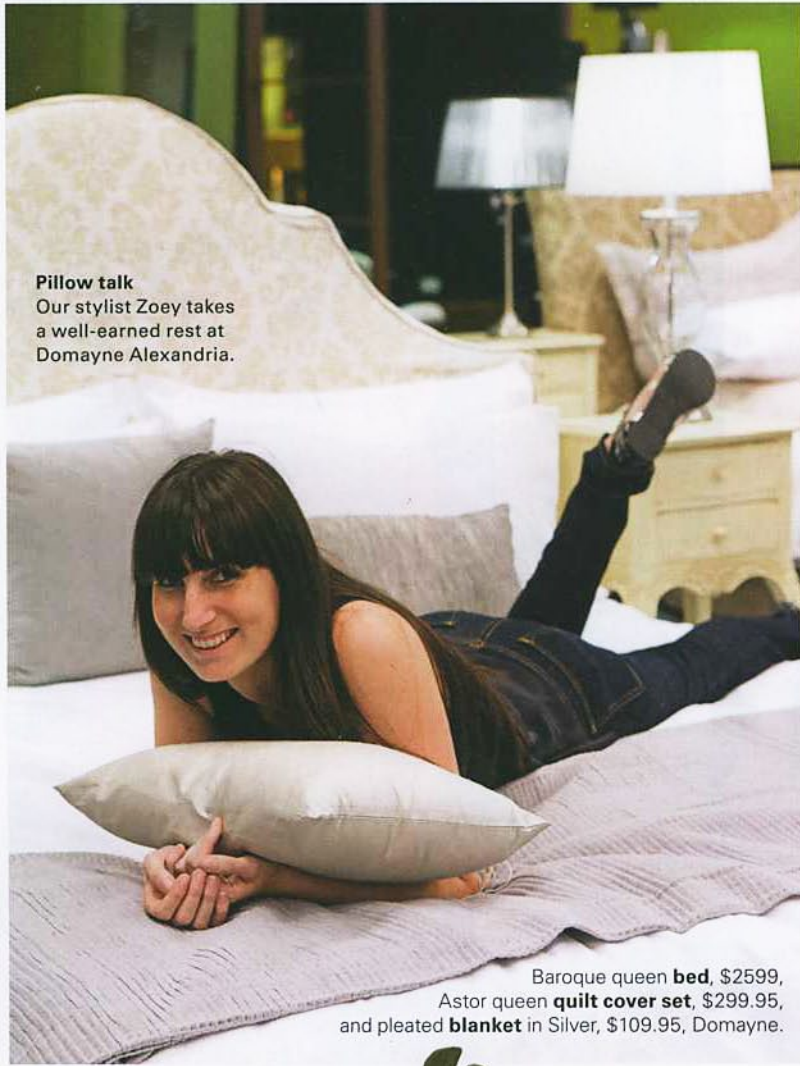
19-PAGE SPECIAL

**beauty makeovers** realistic ways to revamp your look

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**Pillow talk**  
Our stylist Zoey takes a well-earned rest at Domayne Alexandria.

Baroque queen **bed**, \$2599,  
Astor queen **quilt cover set**, \$299.95,  
and pleated **blanket** in Silver, \$109.95, Domayne.

Beautiful blooms that'll last forever.  
*Dendrobium satin faux orchid spray*,  
\$15, David Jones Florist.

Cuddle up with a cool cushion.  
Cover made from metallic linen fabric in Natural Silver, \$14.95 a sq m, Spotlight.



Turn your bedroom into a boudoir with a few pieces of French-style furniture.  
*Nouveau 1-drawer side table*, \$399, Freedom.

If you want brekkie in bed, don't forget the tray!

*Living With Deborah Hutton platter* in Putty, \$18.99, Kmart.

## our cover look

Think pink! And add a few vintage accessories in white for a touch of girly glamour



A seat with style and elegance.  
*Nouveau armchair*, \$449, Freedom.



Forget the pjs, choose lacy lingerie for bed.  
*Slinky rib tank*, \$29.90, and *Wistena shorts*, \$69.90 (part of set, cami not shown), Deshabillé. As worn by Merette on our cover.



Keep your secrets under lock and key with this cute candy-striped notebook  
*Notebook with diamanté key* \$29, Pete Alexander  
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## Dreamin' at Domayne

Launched in May 1999, **Domayne** has become one of the country's leading retailers in furniture and homewares. And it's especially easy to find ways to revamp your bedroom when you visit the flagship Domayne store in Sydney's Alexandria. New, fashion-forward manchester and bedroom furniture lines are purchased for each winter and summer, with most coming from Australian brands. Designs are mostly Australian-based, too. While

**Fabrics with flair**  
Loads of upholstery and drapery fabrics.



you're there, check out the enormous range of furniture, homewares and electrical and computer goods. You'll need a rest after all that shopping!  
84 O'Riordan Street, Alexandria, NSW.  
(02) 8339 7000; domayne.com.au  
Also try... 14 more Domayne stores in ACT, NSW, and Qld and Vic.

**BEHIND THE SCENES** Brekkie in bed, Billy the Maltese and pretty props – this was one fun photo shoot!



Billy loved his toast and tea...



That's his head in the mug!



sweet & soft

Also in the scene

**ON BED** Ziddi cushion cover in Linen & White (against bedhead), \$129, Bholu. Paisley pillowcase from Actil "Jana" queen quilt cover set (see opposite page). Cushion cover (to left of Merette) made from linen fabric in Cerise, \$9.95 a metre, Spotlight. Other cushion covers and pink/mauve quilt cover made from Les Toilles du Soleil fabrics, \$80 a metre Ici Et Là. **ON SIDE TABLE** Iittala "Kivi" tealight in Red Garnet, \$69, Top3 By Design. White "Amazing" roses \$31 for 10 stems, Garlands. **MERETTE WEARS** Slinky rib tank, \$29.90 and Wisteria shorts, \$69.90 (part of set cami not shown), Deschabelle.

how to turn bland into blissful:  
**3 beautiful bedrooms**

Girly and comfy. Sleek and sophisticated. Exotically expressive. Check out out three great bedrooms – we guarantee you'll sleep well tonight!



Think pink with a little lace for a look that says girly glamour.

*Whisper sweater in Pink, \$89.90, Deshabillé.*

And don't forget a pair of pretty pants.  
*Baby Doll pants, \$89.90 for set (cami not shown), Deshabillé.*



Transform a wine glass into a little lamp with this sweet shade. Just drop in a tealight for a gorgeous glow.

*Gorgeous Helen lampshade, \$28 for 3, Top3 By Design.*



Best-quality glass for a lovely light.

*Iittala "Kivi" tealight in Pink, \$48, Top3 By Design.*

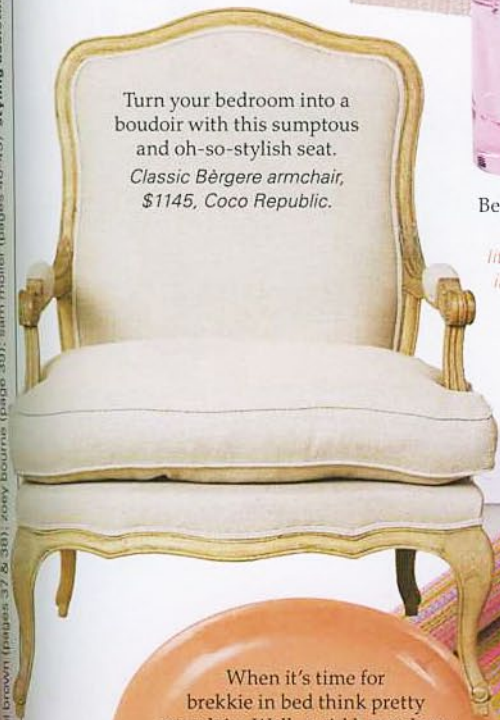


A paisley print in purple and pink is fabulously feminine.

*Jana queen quilt cover set (includes pillowcases), \$119.95, Actil.*

Metallics are a must this season, so grab a few comfy cushions with added shimmer and shine. This one has a subtle silvery fleck.

*Foil cushion in Bright Silver, \$49.95, Country Road.*



Turn your bedroom into a boudoir with this sumptuous and oh-so-stylish seat.

*Classic Bergère armchair, \$1145, Coco Republic.*

Mud Australia products are produced from fine porcelain clay from Limoges in France. This beaker's great for beverages or blooms.

*Porcelain beaker in Pink, \$40, Mud Australia.*



Sleep in splendour with this beautiful bed.  
*Baroque queen bed in Nostalgie, \$2599, Domayne.*  
For similar manchester, try Sheridan.

When it's time for brekkie in bed think pretty porcelain. Well, a girl has to have matching plates and pillowcases!

*Porcelain salad plate in Watermelon, \$32, Mud Australia.*

Bholu products are handmade by women artisans in Gujarat, India. Profits benefit their communities.

*Sas Lena linen throw, \$230, Bholu.*

Big, bright and cheery, this mat is made to last.  
*Plastic floor mat in Pink/Purple, \$300, Ici Et Là.*

Fill with flowers for simple elegance.

*Bladet glass vase (28cm), \$22, Ikea.*



A chic side table with French flair.

*Maison Vieux side table, \$300, Swatow Imports. →*

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