

BRING IT ON HOME

Expertly designed interior spaces never fail to produce as many questions as they do kudos. How can that room be so functional—and so sophisticated? Why do the bold colors dazzle instead of overwhelm? How is that look even possible? *Boca Raton* put such questions, and countless others, to the designers of 10 stunning Florida spaces. The following tips and techniques—more than 60 in all—will help make any space sensational ... including yours.

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TIPS FOR THE FOYER

[] **A DYNAMIC CEILING TREATMENT** adds depth and character to the overhead surface—but it also lowers it visually to make the vast space feel more comforting.

[] **FLOOR-TO-CEILING DRAPERIES** accentuate the room's height while softening the hard edges of the window wall. A large-scaled, upholstered valance provides weight and links to the furnishings through its complementary fabric.

[] **LIMITED WOOD FINISHES** and a muted color palette help shape the room's serene ambience.

[] **THE DESIGNER CHOSE** a thin-legged, contemporary console to deliver style and scale to the entry without introducing undesirable bulk.

[] **THE MIRROR'S CURVICUE FRAME** repeats the circular pattern of the ceiling, helping to unify the overall design. Its muted gold frame provides relief from the dominant silver accents.

[] **PEWTER-TONED NEWEL POSTS** dress the stairs with modern flair.

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TIPS FOR THE MASTER BEDROOM

[] **TWO VERTICAL MOLDING** strips anchor the headboard with architectural detailing. The upholstered headboard features an ideal height for the room's lofty ceiling.

[] **ARTISTICALLY BEVELED MIRRORS** serve as large-scale art behind the nightstands. Their large reflective surfaces expand the room visually.

[] **TAILORED DRAPERIES DRESS** the windows in timeless style.

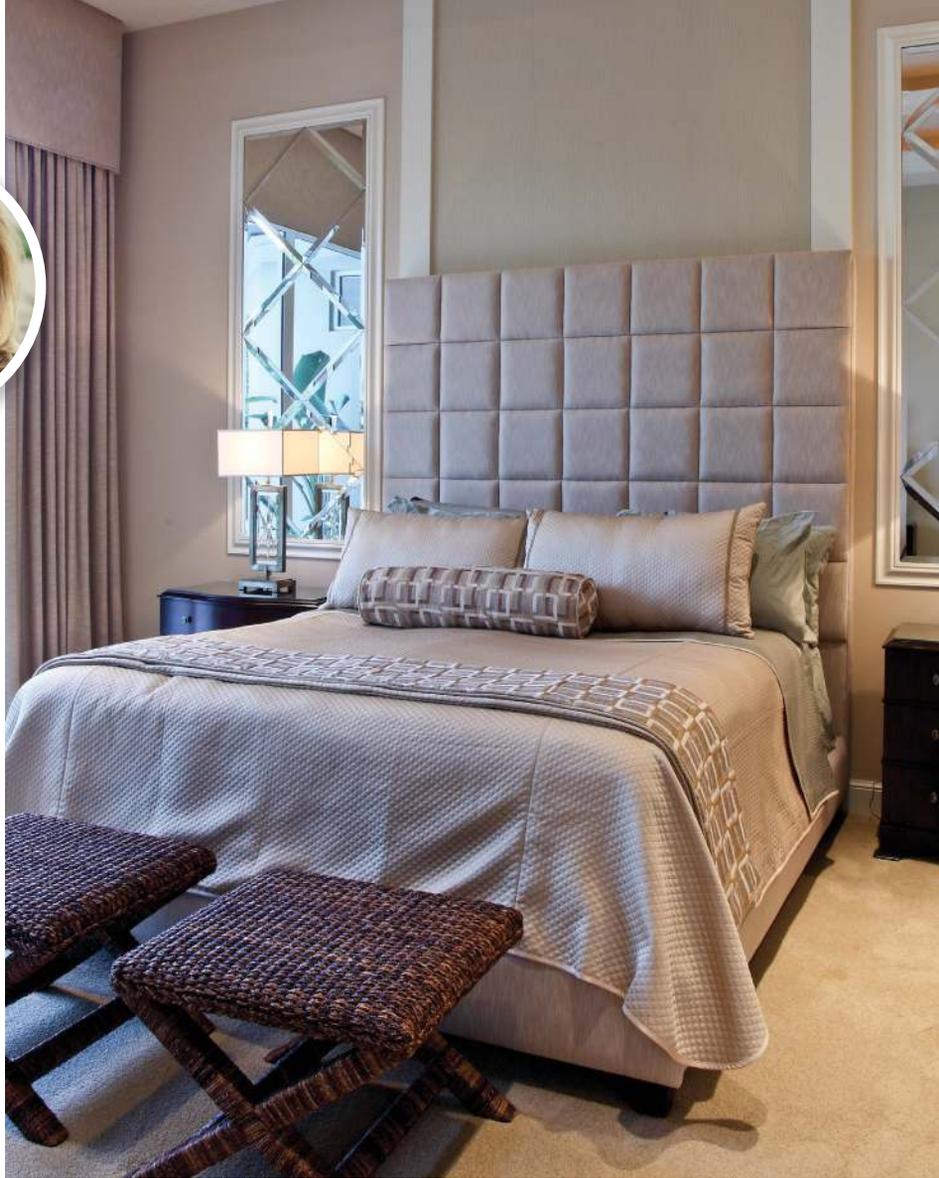
[] **SYMMETRICALLY PAIRED LAMPS**, mirrors and stools create calming balance.

[] **MONOCHROMATIC BEDDING** and dark-wood finishes foster the room's sophisticated, uncluttered vibe.

[] **SEE-THROUGH LAMP BASES** add style without bulk.

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[] **OVERSIZED, CLEAN-LINED MOLDING** performs as an architectural valance above the floor-to-ceiling drapery panels.

[] **EXPANSIVE, SIMPLY FRAMED MIRRORS** span the width of the broad bedside tables, performing like windows that fill the room with reflected light.

[] **ORNATE LAMP BASES** add surprising frill to the understated decor.

[] **A LARGE, DARK HEADBOARD** anchors the bed with visual weight while adding softness with its tufted, upholstered design.

[] **SIMPLE PATTERNS** and a hushed color palette shape the room's peaceful character.

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