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# KRISTEN RIVOLI INTERIOR DESIGN

“Every interior we design has a distinct look—no two projects look the same.”



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Individuality, elegance and function are touchstones in the work of interior designer Kristen Rivoli, who harmoniously combines tradition and modernity. Architecture, the arts and international travel inspire her designs, yielding an expertly executed mix of antiques and vintage pieces and modern furniture. Rivoli, despite being an expert in her field, is a lifelong student of creative masters in art, architecture and design. “I’ve always researched designers, artists and architects in all types of styles. Traveling has always influenced my design language—to visit the museums and historical sites in

Europe gives me an overwhelming amount of inspiration for modern and traditional design,” she shares. Rivoli established her firm, Kristen Rivoli Interior Design, in 2009, using her construction/site prowess to complete large-scale new construction and renovation projects in New York and South Florida. A recent project of hers, a 13,000-square-foot new construction residence, was a resounding success, thanks to her dedicated working synergy with both the architect and contractor. “I feel completely comfortable on a job site, discussing issues with the architect and builder to make the design the best it can be,” she says.

## ASK THE EXPERT

### What is the first project that put your company on the map?

An 8,000-square-foot full gut renovation for a young family. We created floor plans and a complete interior design package, including hard finishes, window treatments, wall finishes and furniture.

### How do you include the client in your creative process?

I like to find out from the client what they want from their new home. We are designing for where they’re going, not where they’ve been. Every family is changing and evolving, so we want to design their home to support them along the way.

### What is the next move for your firm?

I just released a rug collection that is made of beautiful 100-percent Tibetan wool. The rugs are handmade using 60-knot construction by artisans in Nepal. I plan to grow the collection over the years, adding new designs and colors.



**Top** Luxury, stain-resistant fabric covers all furniture in this space, allowing for a formal living room that can also handle the client’s two toddlers. **Left** Removing the walls between a small galley kitchen and formal dining room creates an open space, perfect for keeping an eye on the kids while they play and you cook. **Center** This dining room boasts a custom Gabriel Scott pendant fixture that creates a sculpture when not in use. **Right** The living room of this high-rise home creates a chic aesthetic that complements the building’s architecture. **Opposite** Grounding the living room in a chartreuse stripe was the foundation for this space, creating a youthful feel.

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