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I love walking by the magical windows at **Plaza Flowers**. Maybe it's the way they arrange everything in crate boxes, but somehow they've made ferns feel modern again.
944 Lexington Ave., nr. 69th St.
212-472-7565

Flat Vernacular makes a number of one-of-a-kind wallpapers that are reinterpretations of classic motifs. They're so beautiful. I've framed a few as pictures.
35 Meadow St., nr. Bogart St., Ste. 214, Bushwick
347-457-6227

Whenever I'm looking for something with character for the home, I go to **Liza Sherman**. She has ethnic pieces, industrial light fixtures—whatever you're in the mood for.
37A Bedford St., nr. Leroy St.
212-414-2684

At **Pageant Book & Print Shop** you can scoop up old neighborhood maps. One of my favorite housewarming gifts is to present friends with a map of the neighborhood at the time their apartment was being built.
69 E. 4th St., nr. Bowery
212-674-5296

Paul Vogel at Assouline at the Plaza is the most amazing bookbinder. I seek him out whenever I want to put something really special on a client's table.
768 Fifth Ave., at 59th St.
212-593-7236



Atelier Courbet is a stunning design emporium built in an old carriage house. Last time I was there, they had an actual baby stroller on display laden with pillows and accessories. I always find wonderful leather furniture, home accessories, textiles, and stationery here.
175-177 Mott St., nr. Broome St.
212-226-7378

Mokuba New York has beautiful grosgrain and velvet ribbons. And they're not just for presents! I incorporate them into my clothes and use them to bind books.
137 W. 38th St., nr. Seventh Ave.
212-869-8900

Every object at **Creel and Gow** grabs my attention. Love it or hate it, there's nothing banal here. It's like a jewelry store for objects.
131 E. 70th St., nr. Lexington Ave.
212-327-4281

Donna Karan's Urban Zen marketplace has such soulful handcrafted pieces. I recently bought some gorgeous vases covered in tobacco leaves that were made by Haitian artisans.
705 Greenwich St., nr. 10th St.
212-206-3999

The fabrics at **Fortuny** are so inspiring and decorative that you could turn a pillow into a lovely tabletop piece.
979 Third Ave., nr. 58th St., Ste. 1632
212-753-7153

I'm drawn to interesting door handles, and **Simon's Hardware & Bath** has the most stunning leather, ebony, and bone versions.
421 Third Ave., nr. 29th St.
212-532-9220



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