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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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