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Apart from being one of the more easier DIY upholstery projects, updating your bar stools are a great way to give your bar area a totally new vibe that is equally as intoxicating.

Bar stools get a lot of wear and tear, and start to look like they too are 'on the rocks' so keeping them in a swank or stylish lobby lounge state, does take the occasional refresh.

Aimee Swikit breaks down the art of the making a bar stool seat cover and makes it as easy as possible. She does also start with a basic wooden stool and builds it up for those more advance DIY-ers looking for a challenge. Cheers!

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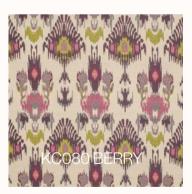














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Experts Weigh In On Your Home's Spring Design Refresh

Spring is tantalizingly close (and yet still painfully far away). Let the fun of preparing to refresh your home for spring begin! And in 2023 there's a twist. As our deep dive into the wisdom of experts across the internet revealed, springing forward looks an awful lot like falling back.

Refreshing and refurbishing – no matter the setting – is really about reinvigorating a space and bringing a new energy and visual tone. Making it feel different and better somehow. That doesn't always mean out with the old and in with the new. It can mean in with the old and WOW this *feels* new!

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So come along as we walk you through favorite expert advice to help you get spring — *vintage style.*

Spring For Vintage

Spring 2023 is looking a bit vintage love the *Business Of Home*'s behind the trend.

They turn to experts like founder of <u>EyeSwoon</u>. She raises and clever solutions" in challenging seen an increase in people becoming design themselves with some vintage and reupholstering rather scale renovation, and instead inserting through treasured objects and decor. a curated collection of some of our that old...err *new* feeling in your home this

but with fresh eyes – and fresh vibes. We (*BOH*) perspective about the reasons

Athena Calderone, designer and the practical benefits of "crafty economic times, "...We've empowered to take on professional guidance, purchasing than buying from a largepersonality and soul into our homes Focusing on personality and soul — namely yours — is a good rule of thumb. BOH talks to Gwen Hefner, founder of Thrift Club about what to consider, foundationally, for your refurbish refresh, "I'd love to see people consider their home's style and location, as well as their own personal style, instead of falling into trends that will need to be updated in a handful of years. It's less money and time, and it's being a good steward of what we have!"

Spring For Value

The practical benefits don't stop there. Finding new furniture can be a daunting and frustrating process. But in a piece in Southern Living by Kelsey Mulvey and Betsy Cribb, experts remind us of the joy and time-saving side of refurbishing.

Raleigh, North Carolina-based designer, Maggie Dillon, points to some post-pandemic perks of the trends, "With lead times as outrageous as they are right now, the best quick fix is to find a vintage sofa or pair of chairs and give those new life by reupholstering. That's something I recommend regardless of the supply chain shortage."

And it's not just the quick turnaround time. Southern Living talks about the value of furniture built to last with Charleston, South Carolina, designer Taylor Hill, "...we've put a serious emphasis on purchasing quality goods. Fast furniture is cool and helpful if you need to fill a space on a tight budget, but we believe focusing on craftsmanship is important. I'd rather a client have several empty rooms and a killer sofa they can keep for 30 years!"

Spring For Fun

There's a style upside, too. In Monique Valaris' piece for <u>Good Housekeeping</u> magazine, we learned it's not about dated design notions. It's using nostalgia to create something fresh and new.

"Design with nostalgia in mind will continue," says <u>Mendelson Group</u> founder, Gideon Mendelson, "I don't mean mid-century or retro. I think this idea of granny-chic is evolving to a less kitschy/more sophisticated style, which I really appreciate."

The shift is about having fun. Turning rooms into places you actually want to be in. *Good Housekeeping* spoke with Molly Torres Portnof, founder of <u>DATE Interiors</u>, who offered an idea we love,

"Listening rooms, or music rooms, have always been coveted by audiophiles, but they're gaining popularity with the masses as vinyl record sales continue to climb. Essentially, a listening room is a dedicated space for music, whether it's creating your own or playing your favorite tunes to unwind and enjoy, solo or with a group of people. Even... a dedicated corner or nook of any room can be transformed into space to enjoy music."

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Brian Perry







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Whether you are looking to upholster an existing piece of furniture or are looking for a new piece to tackle, these websites are a great resource to **buy, sell and/or resell.**

- 1. Facebook Marketplace
- 2. Apartment Therapy Bazaar
- 3.1stDibs
- 4. AptDeco
- 5. Etsy
- 6. Craigslist
- 7. One Kings Lane
- 8. Amazon
- 9. Everything But The House
- 10. Chairish



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Join **Nicole Crowder** at her latest announced DIY Upholstery Retreat being held in the breath*taking* and *giving* space -The Wright House.

"The 3-day 2-night experience is designed to provide hands-on learning in an intimate setting to learn upholstery skills while centering reflection and creative restoration. The workshop-retreat is meant to give design and home décor enthusiasts skills on how to approach upholstery projects like chairs, benches, and ottomans, with the hopes of giving you confidence to no longer pass up on another great vintage find you see on the street or in the store in the future."

WHEN: June 9-11th, 2023 WHERE: The Wright House in Bayfield, Wisconsin - USA

INQUIRIES: crowder.nicole@gmail.com RSVP: www.theupholsteryretreat.com

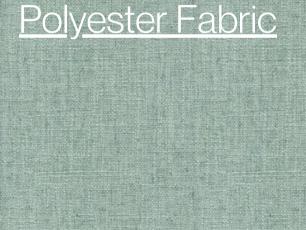




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