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# ANN GOTTLIEB



*Gottlieb (pictured opposite on Ligne Roset's Sala stool) completed the recent facelift of a young family's 1960s Fairfax home, blending new and vintage finds. Clockwise from top, left: The wife's sunny home office features an RH Sofa, a Flor rug, a Knoll task chair and an adjustable-height desk. An original Milo Baughman sofa makes a statement in the living room. New and vintage Cherner chairs surround a cement CB2 table in the dining area. In the living room, a modern chair from Moroso's Diesel collection pairs with an 1860s European wedding stool. Gottlieb reimaged the owners' bath with tile from Architessa and a bespoke live-edge vanity made by OE Custom. 3D butterflies adorn walls painted in Sherwin-Williams Romance in a girl's bedroom.*



As a child, ANN GOTTLIEB loved buying fabric and making her own clothes. Though she flirted with a fashion career, a practical side led to pre-law studies at Virginia Tech—but those classes put her to sleep. Gottlieb finally found her niche after meeting an interior design major who inspired her to change her major on the spot.

After earning her degree, Gottlieb landed at Gensler, working in the architecture firm's DC and Seattle offices on commercial and hospitality projects in the U.S. and abroad. She later joined Capital One as an in-house design strategist. Then the pandemic hit.

"I re-evaluated where I wanted to be and was drawn to residential design," she explains. In January 2021, she launched her own firm. "I've trained under phenomenal designers," Gottlieb asserts. "Each step of my career has taught me something I use every day."

She says "the thrill of helping people feel their home is who they are," drives her work, which always includes an element of surprise. "I love a 'delight' moment," she admits. "I push clients to embrace a sense of the unexpected and I keep reinventing and trying something new."

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