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★ Simple pieces of off-white painted furniture look perfect set against the soft green painted walls.



Bring some country style to a spring table with bunches of hyacinths and tulips in china jugs. Dining chairs, £220 each, Oka. Tablecloth, £70, The White Company. Fringed throw, £52, Oka

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Combine classic pieces of furniture in neutral whites with cool blue accessories for a fresh, spring look

Design a beautifully calming dining room to enjoy relaxed family lunches. Paint the walls in a soft green, drape a linen cloth over the table and lay with simple white plates and sparkling crystal. Jugs full of spring blooms and a colourful canvas bring a sense of the outdoors in.

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★ Candles placed in front of a mirror will create a wonderful soft light for dining in the evening.

Perfectly sized furniture
A slim console table provides extra serving space in a small dining room.

Table, £380, Brissi. Cake stand, £60, Linda Bloomfield. Candlestick, £14, The White Company. Pitcher, £22.50, Sophie Conran for Portmeirion. Cup and saucer, £12; side plate, £21; all Echo Interiors

SHOPPING LIST Walls painted in Carnaby flat matt emulsion, £16.99 for 2.5 litres, Fashion for Walls, Crown. Carpet, Pampas, £38 per sq metre, Kersaint Cobb. Avignon table, £800, Laura Ashley. Chinon dining chairs, £220 each, Oka. Rug in wool Mississippi Stripe willow/oatmeal, £351.71, Crucial Trading. Curtains made up in Emmaline in Alpine 7264/03, £28.95 a metre, Romo. Console table, £380, Brissi. Gustavian

chest of drawers, £1300, Nordic Style. 'Campana' painting, £660, by Nick Andrew, na@nickandrew.co.uk. Mirror, £325, Nordic Style. On console table: embossed cake server, £18, Brissi. Cake stand, £60, Linda Bloomfield. Glass candlestick, £14; silver-plated photo frame, £35; both The White Company. Pitcher, £22.50, Sophie Conran for Portmeirion. Teacup and saucer, £12; side plate, £21; all Echo Interiors. Flowers, £50,

Forever Flowering. On table: Milano plates, £16, Brissi. Glass side plates, £1.79, Ikea. Napkins, £15 for 4, Marks and Spencer. Sintra jugs, £32 each, Oka. Elegant wine glasses, £30 for four, The White Company. Paris White cutlery, £12 per place setting, Brissi. Decanter, £29, Divertimenti. Lismore candlesticks, £80 for two, Waterford. Butter dish, £26, Brissi. Salt grinder, £55; pepper grinder, £48.95; both Divertimenti.

Sintra lidded pot, £19.50; Sintra small jug, £18.50; both Oka. On top of chest of drawers: Sintra bowl, £39, Oka. Lismore crystal napkin holder, £100 for a set of four, Waterford. Hemstitch napkins, £30 for a set of four; Paris White cutlery, £12 per place setting; pewter tray, £34; all Brissi. Candlestick, £14; Glass votive (used as vase), £6; both The White Company. Water bottle, £12, Dibor. Mussel eater, £25.95 for two, Pod



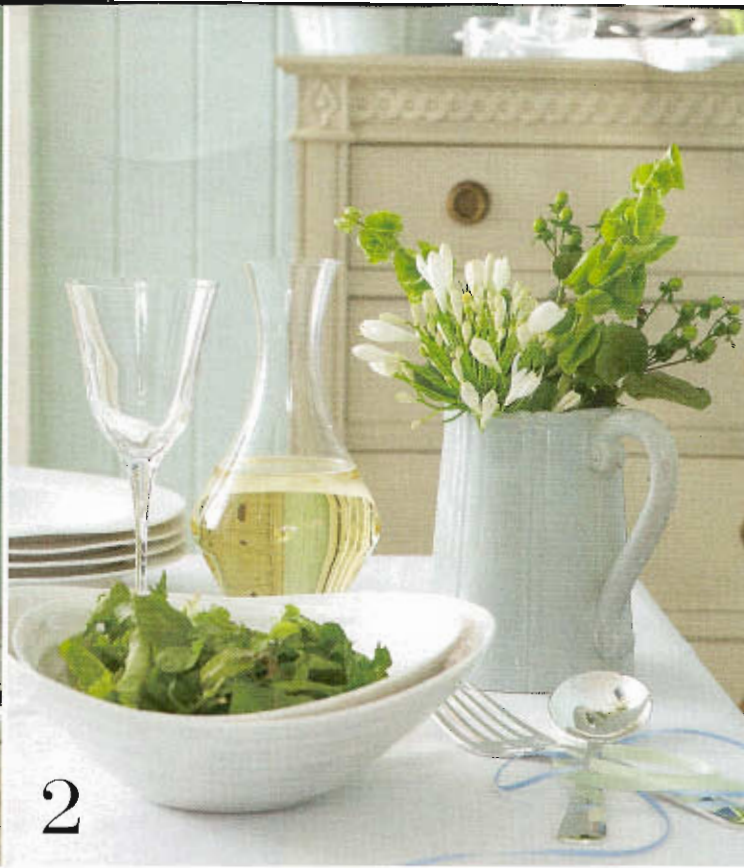
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1 Pick an original
Original artwork instantly gives your home character.

'Campana' painting (acrylic on canvas), £660, by Nick Andrew, na@nickandrew.co.uk. Bowl, £39, Oka. Lismore napkin holder, £100 for four, Waterford. Napkins, £30 for four; Paris White cutlery, £12 per place setting; tray, £34; all Brissi. Candlestick, £14; votive (used as vase), £6; both The White Company. Water bottle, £12, Dibor



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2 Keep it simple
Mix and match plain china and glassware for an elegant look.
Bowls, £60 for three, Sophie Conran for Portmeirion. **Wine glass**, £30 for four, The White Company. **Jug**, £32, Oka. **Decanter**, £29, Divertimenti. **Salad servers**, £29, Brissi

3 Add a touch of glass
Layer decorative glass plates on plain white charger plates

and finish off with a sparkling crystal napkin holder.
Milano plate, £16, Brissi. **Arv side plate**, £1.79, Ikea. **Paris white cutlery**, £12 per place setting, Brissi. **Lismore crystal napkin holder**, £100 for four, Waterford

4 Use crystal
Mix glass and crystal votives and candlesticks for a stunning alternative centrepiece.
Engraved storm lantern, £21,

Brissi. **Waterford Lismore candlestick**, £80 for a pair, try Laura Ashley for similar. **Tealight holder**, £6; **glass candlestick**, £14; both The White Company

5 Take centre stage
Arranging pretty bouquets in jugs will give your table a relaxed feel. Mix a few styles and sizes in the same colour.
Jugs, £32 each, Oka. **Flowers**, £50, Forever Flowering

6 Colour match
When trying to match fabric to paint, take a small swatch of the colour out shopping.
Emmaline fabric in Alpine, 7264/03, £28.95 a metre, Romo. **Curtain pole**, from £30 for distressed finish; **finial**, £20.50; **rings**, £1.80 each; **brackets**, £9.50 each; all The Painted Curtain Pole Company

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