

LEFT: The shop thoughtfully revamps vintage pieces like this bergere chair (\$995), which was updated with new velvet upholstery and hand-affixed antique brass nailhead trim.

BELOW: Pillows (from \$49 each) are custom-made using new fabrics or remnants.

BOTTOM RIGHT: A sheepskin throw is a modern touch on a traditional English cane chair. Chair, \$1,995; gilded mirror, \$2,700.







STOREWATCH

GILD & CO. BRINGS A SENSE OF HISTORY TO HOMES WITH UPDATED VINTAGE FINDS.

FIND IT: 4415 W. 10 Ave., Vancouver (604) 428-4255 or gildandco.com HISTORY: After leaving her job at a brokerage firm and becoming a decorator, Bonnie Wilson took her career change a step further in June when she opened her antique and vintage furnishings boutique in Vancouver's West Point Grey area. STYLE: Wilson gives well-designed classics a fresh feel. "I buy pieces you'll have for a long time," she says, noting that upcycling furniture is both eco-conscious and qualitysmart. "A newly made piece of the same quality would cost 10 times more." The shop embraces a mix of eras. Items in styles from

18th-century Georgian and Victorian to mid-century modern are restored or reupholstered, then paired with new lighting and accessories in the store's bright, airy space.

BEST BUYS: Pillows designed by Wilson (from \$49) come in a range of fashionable fabrics, from plush velvets to patterned silks. Vintage trays (from \$115) elegantly serve drinks or display objets.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR: Neon-edged linen napkins from Smith Handmade, large-scale artwork by local photographer Sarah Murray and more one-of-a-kind vintage items. - CORINNA VANGERWEN