



THE DOCTOR'S CLOSET

A LOOK INSIDE THE
BLOGGER'S BEAUTIFUL
CANADIAN HOME.

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Designing a home shouldn't look so easy, but that's exactly what Monika Hibbs, the creator of the online blog, The Doctor's Closet, and online store, Shopbymonika, does. Hibbs does what every woman dreams of doing, creating a sanctuary that is every bit relaxing as it is gorgeous and magazine-worthy. In fact, Hibbs's home has actually been featured in national magazines and design blogs for its effortless blend of polished, contemporary pieces with traditional, family-friendly design.

Hibbs is not only an example of someone who has created a beautiful home for herself and her family, but she is also someone who has done it without any interior design schooling or professional design experience of her own. The reality is that before Hibbs got into blogging or curating a fabulous collection of items for her shop, she was practicing medicine at the time, hence the inspired blog name. Therefore, to help bring her vision and creativity to life, she enlisted the help of Stephanie Jean Design.

Hibbs's design taste is a mix of Carrie and Charlotte from *Sex and the City*, which is incidentally her favorite movie interior. Items like her sleek, lucite counter stool stools







propped up against traditional white, marble counters are a perfect example. Hibbs also doesn't shy away from bold design. Take her decision to do floral wallpaper in one of her bathrooms. Wallpaper is something most people fear and few are brave enough (or talented enough) to pull off, just as Hibbs so wonderfully does.

Her feminine style extends to the bedroom, a room so pretty you'd think you were at a five-star hotel. The tufted headboard plus bed frame is a gem she found at Restoration Hardware, one of her favorite interior decor stores for finding

quality furnishings that appeal to both her feminine style and her husband's masculine one. In fact, Hibbs balances out most of the girly items in her home by using natural or weathered elements. For example, Hibbs makes sure to decorate her mirrored nightstand with a wood lamp base and mercury-glass flower vase.

Hibbs has great taste and knows how to emulate it throughout her home. She's just as talented with her blog and online shop, so if you're interested in learning more about her or seeing more of her work, make sure you visit both.

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