

Life, etc.

Hey, Upper East Siders!

FIRST LOOK

OMG! On this season of *Gossip Girl*, the van der Woodsens ditch their Palace Hotel suite for a chic uptown duplex. Production designer Loren Weeks gives us a sneak peek at their new digs



Living Room

THE LOOK Cream was the perfect wall color and backdrop for the family's epicenter, marked by strong structural details and striking statement art. To soften the 1,739-square-foot room's loftlike architecture, the designers tossed in an array of fabrics and a pair of nailhead-trimmed, ebony-finish spindle chairs from Ralph Lauren.

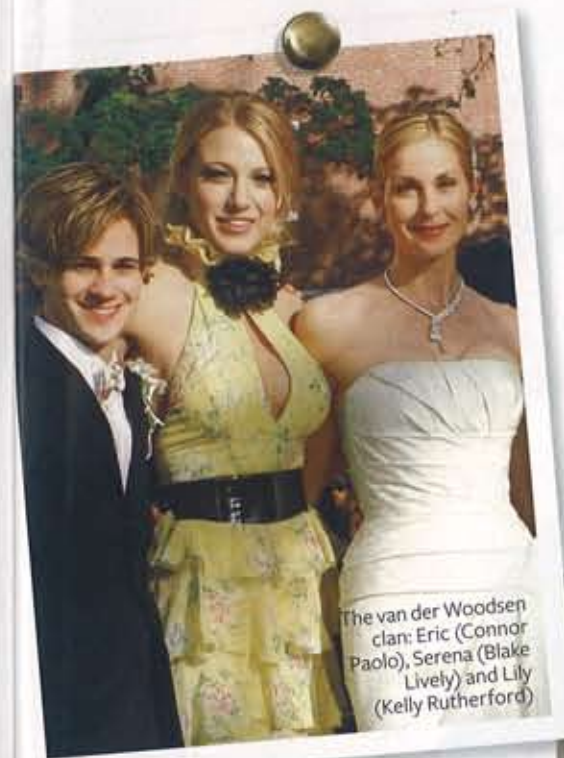
FUN PIECE Olivier Desforges blue throw. Similar available for \$170; www.olivierdesforges.com.



Dining Room

THE LOOK Prim and proper Lily gets her downtown on in the dining room, with its shag carpet, midcentury Cherner walnut armchairs, and the requisite photograph from art world wunderkind Ryan McGinley. This one's called *Falling (Sand)*.

FUN PIECE Global Table needle-nose glass vase, \$68; 212-431-5839.



The van der Woodsen clan: Eric (Connor Paolo), Serena (Blake Lively) and Lily (Kelly Rutherford)

Serena's Room

THE LOOK Posh, glam and a bit irreverent—like Serena herself—this bedroom is the perfect hideout for hatching schemes with BFF Blair. To capture Serena's rebellious nature, Weeks covered the walls with a whimsical Romo fabric and went with a vintage-modern mix, topping the antique bedside chest with a funky baroque plastic light.

—NATASHA WOLFF

FUN PIECE Kartell Bourgie table lamp, \$362; conranusa.com.

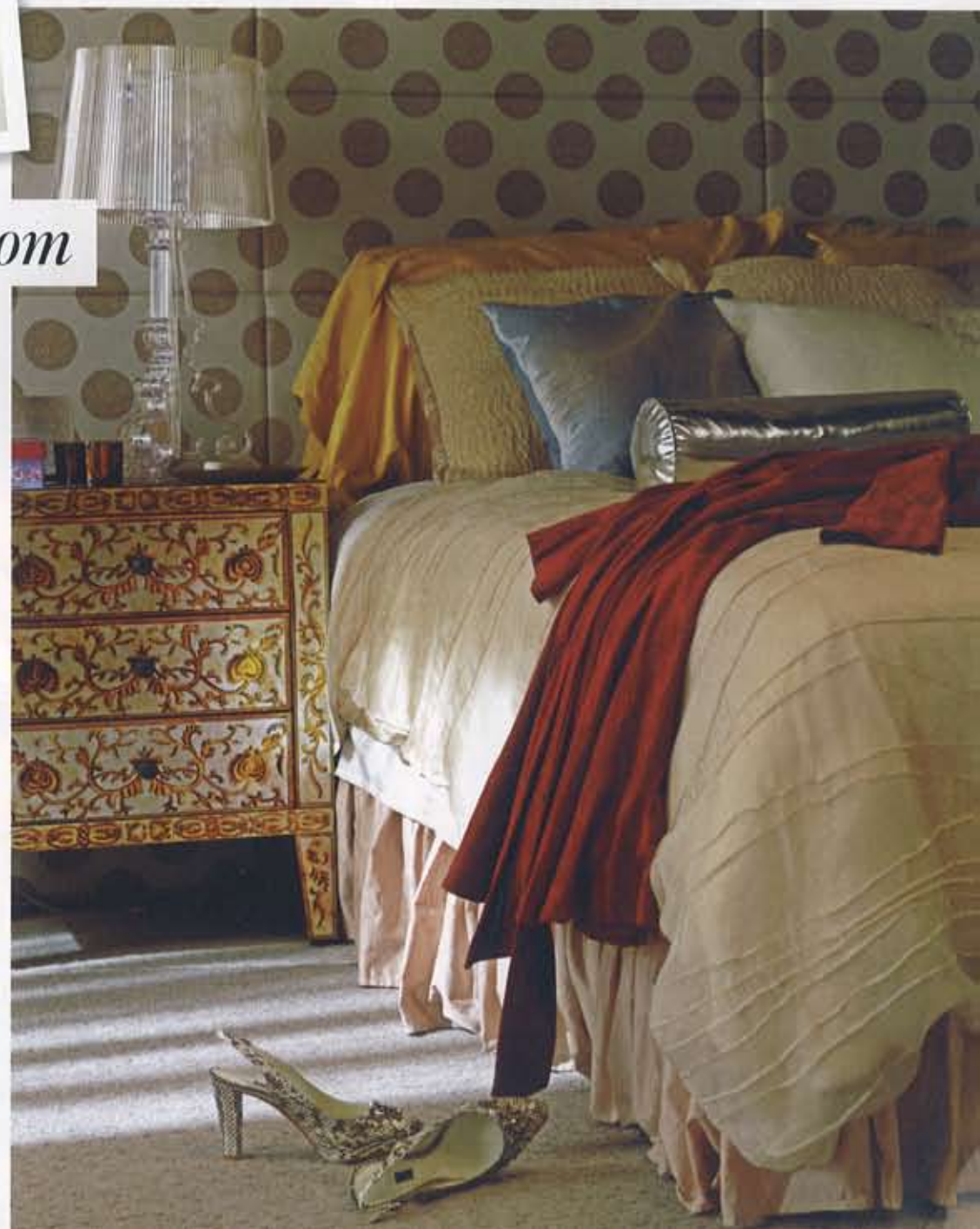
“The place is so van der Woodsen: sleek and perfectly manicured, with bold touches that hint at the family's colorful past.”

—CHRISTINA TONKIN

Home Office

THE LOOK Set decorator Christina Tonkin says Lily's work space was inspired by both sides of her personality: refined (the desk) and bold (the Missoni-fabric-upholstered Eames chair). The newlywed mother of two could certainly use some personal space.

FUN PIECE Eames chair and ottoman, \$3,599; hivemodern.com. Missoni fabric, to order from Stark Fabric, 212-752-9000.



Online exclusive! Take a virtual tour of the van der Woodsens' new apartment—including Serena's bedroom—at instyle.com