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45 STUDIO PEAKE

Sarah Peake set up her Parsons Green-based studio at the beginning of 2019 (previously she worked for Alidad and Todhunter Earle), kicking off with the complete refurbishment of a Georgian cottage in Vauxhall. Fast forward four years and the studio is shifting gear, taking on more ambitious projects in Sweden and the US and expanding the team. What unites her spaces though is that they are never overly curated, instead cohesively combining the traditional and contemporary through a real attention to detail. studiopeake.com

46 STUDIO VERO

Inseparable friends since they were 13, Venetia Rudebeck and Romanos Brihi have been working together for almost a decade. They both bring subtly different design elements to the table but their schemes are always cohesive, with an emphasis on juxtaposing antiques and art (both are collectors), colour and layers. For one owner of a Chelsea apartment, they took a rug as a starting point, creating an unexpected palette of apple green, terracotta and mustard; for another client's house in Oxfordshire the look was a clever take on a Hamptons-style feel. studio-vero.com

47 TAYLOR HOWES

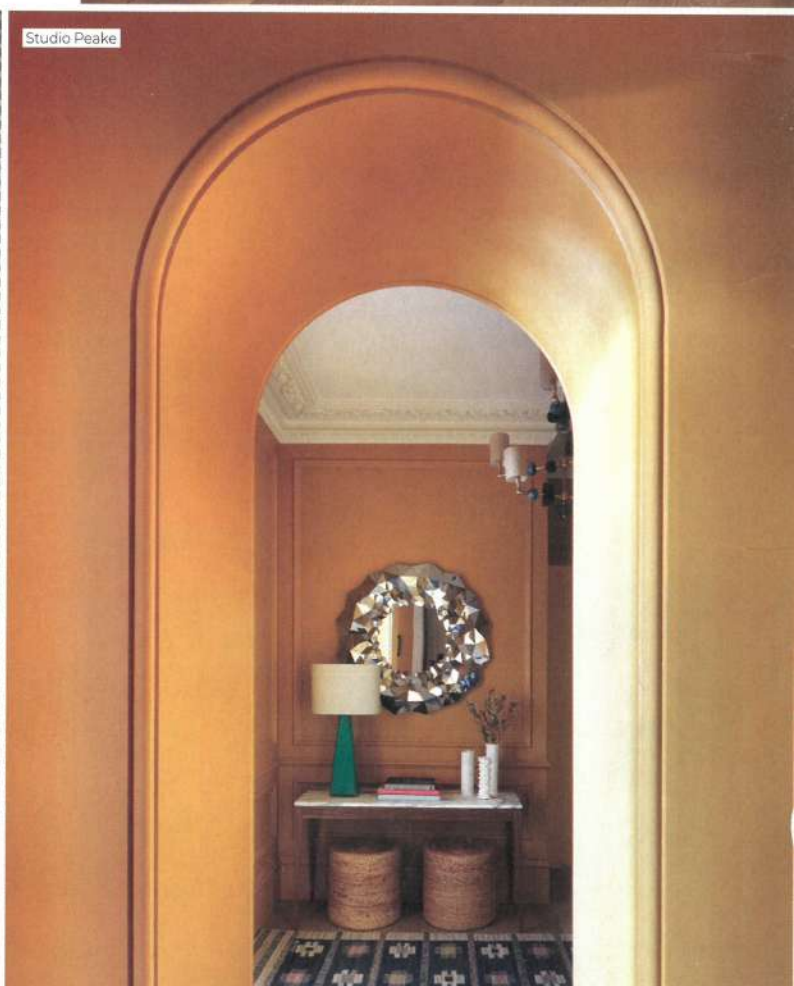
Steered by Karen Howes, this prolific Knightsbridge-based studio is celebrating its 30-year anniversary. The nearly 30-strong team has a roll call of high-end global commissions on the go, from a ski chalet in Verbier to a palatial pad in Dubai. Closer to home, they are near to completing Knightsbridge Gardens – London's largest build-to-rent prime project. Balance and symmetry, working with local and British suppliers and makers, and a leaning towards environmentally conscious products all anchor schemes. taylorhowes.co.uk



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48 THORP INTERIORS

One of Thorp's clients once commented that, in the 20 years since the completion of their home, the only item that had to be replaced was a rug – high praise for the longevity and quality of the design. Since founding the practice in 1985, Philippa Thorp has taken a holistic approach, managing all aspects of a renovation, from the architectural and interior design to the decoration, art curation and landscaping. The studio has recently completed a lakeside villa in Como and a mountain residence in the Yellowstone Club in the US. thorp.co.uk

49 TURNER POCOCK

Bunny Turner and Emma Pocock's tailored elegant style works just as well in country homes as those in the city. Since starting out in 2007, the studio has grown to a team of ten project managers, interior architects and designers. During lockdown, the duo started TP Caring Spaces charity, which works to transform healthcare environments (hospital staff rooms, refuges) into havens. This year, they also launched a capsule collection of furniture in collaboration with Julian Chichester. turnerpocock.co.uk

50 YELLOW LONDON

While working at design studio Joanna Wood, Cath Beckett and Liv Wallers discovered that they had a shared appreciation for vibrant colour, classic furniture and pattern. The pair established their own studio six years ago and have since made their name with confident, impactful schemes. Contemporary vivid florals, stripes and geometric motifs often appear in some shape or form. The fact that they remain a small team of two means both are very hands-on. yellowlondon.com ■