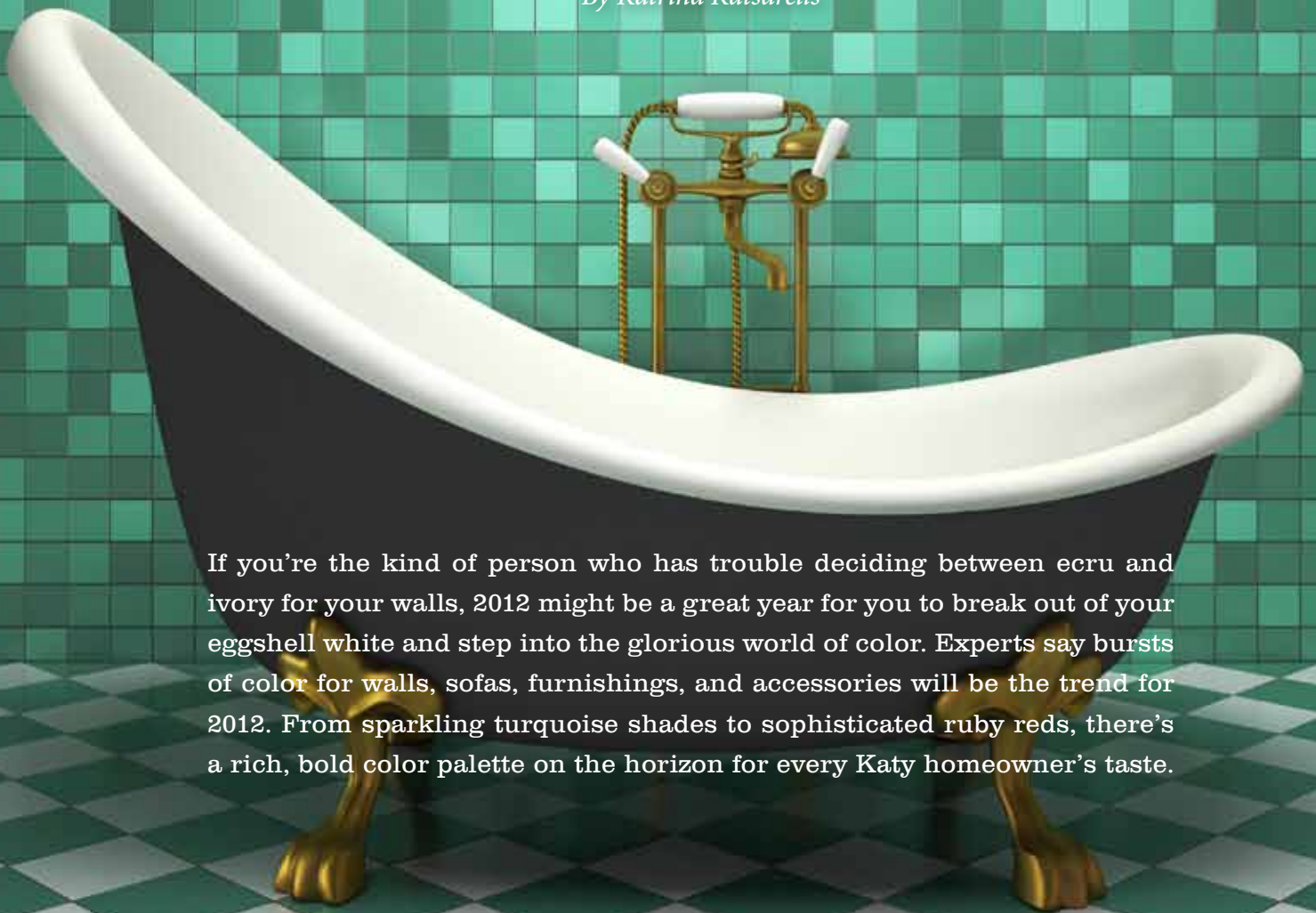


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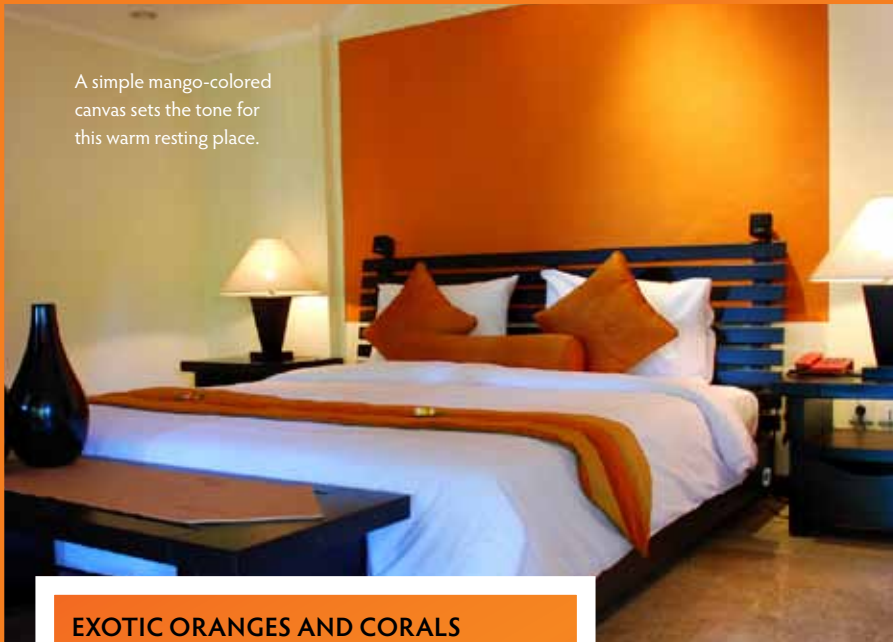
Katy homeowners dazzle with
sensational shades for 2012

By Katrina Katsarelis



If you're the kind of person who has trouble deciding between ecru and ivory for your walls, 2012 might be a great year for you to break out of your eggshell white and step into the glorious world of color. Experts say bursts of color for walls, sofas, furnishings, and accessories will be the trend for 2012. From sparkling turquoise shades to sophisticated ruby reds, there's a rich, bold color palette on the horizon for every Katy homeowner's taste.

A simple mango-colored canvas sets the tone for this warm resting place.



EXOTIC ORANGES AND CORALS

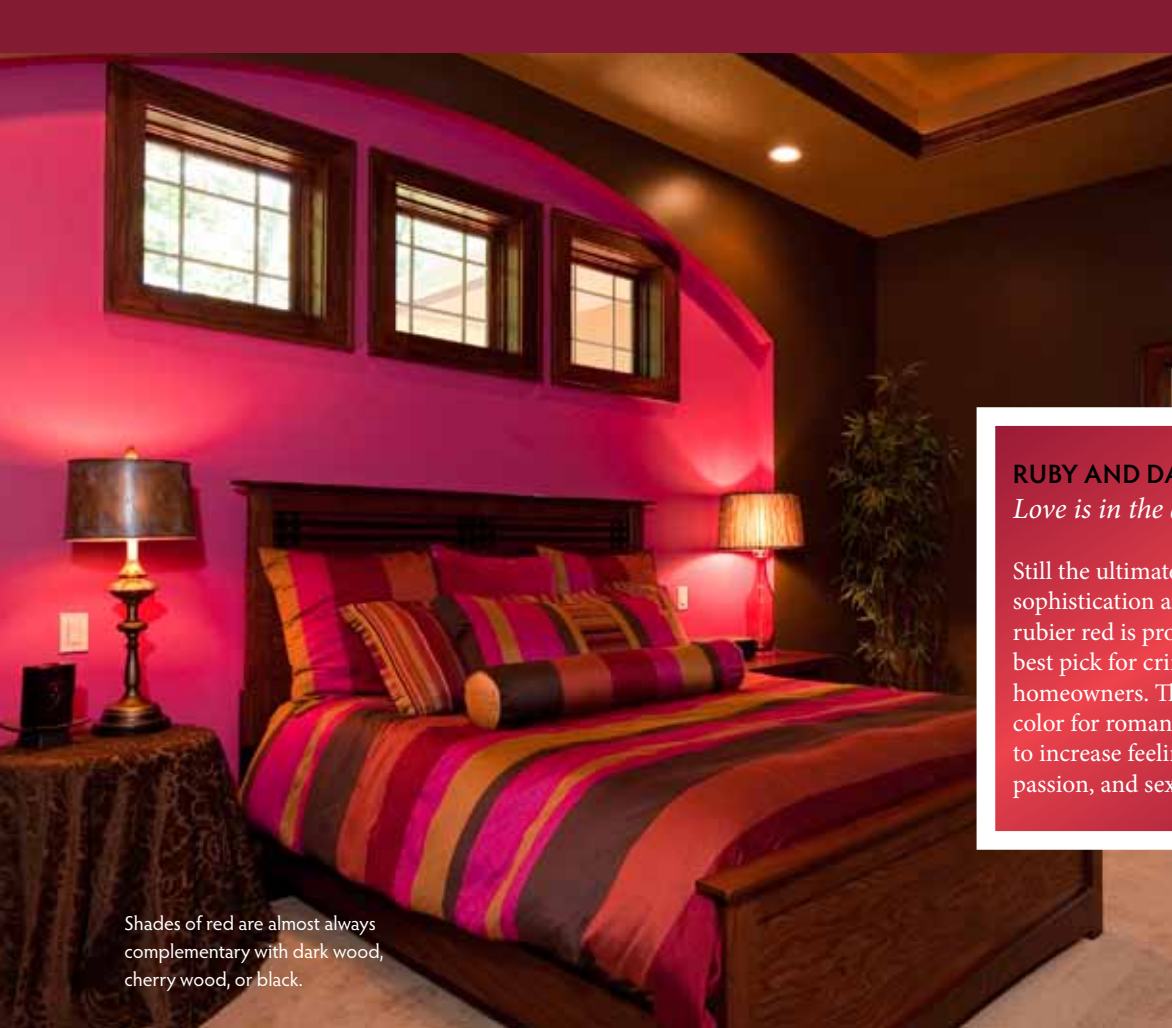
Spicy energy

Talk about spicing up a drab room, oranges and corals are on the horizon for 2012 and add an immediate jolt of energy to any space. Orange exudes warmth and joy and is best used on one wall or for spurts of color. Associated with joy, energy, ecstasy, and wellness, variations of this bold color include apricot, salmon, and rust.

A rust-colored wall flanked by a rustic wood headboard adds instant warmth to this room.



A blast of orange, used sparingly, instantly revs up any drab room.



Shades of red are almost always complementary with dark wood, cherry wood, or black.

RUBY AND DARK RED

Love is in the air

Still the ultimate in sophistication and elegance, a rubier red is projected as 2012's best pick for crimson-crazed homeowners. The most ideal color for romance, red is said to increase feelings of intimacy, passion, and sexuality.

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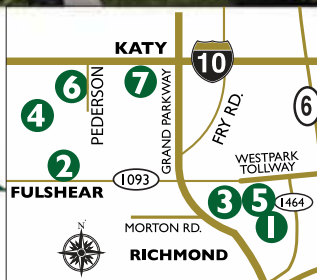
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sophisticated flavor.



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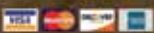
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Yellow-gold walls envelope this room's creamy furnishings and drapes perfectly.



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Ornate walls are a dramatic accent to simplistic furnishings and accessories.

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TURQUOISE

With so many shades, turquoise conjures up images like the Caribbean sea, a child's eyes, or a Tiffany gift box.

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