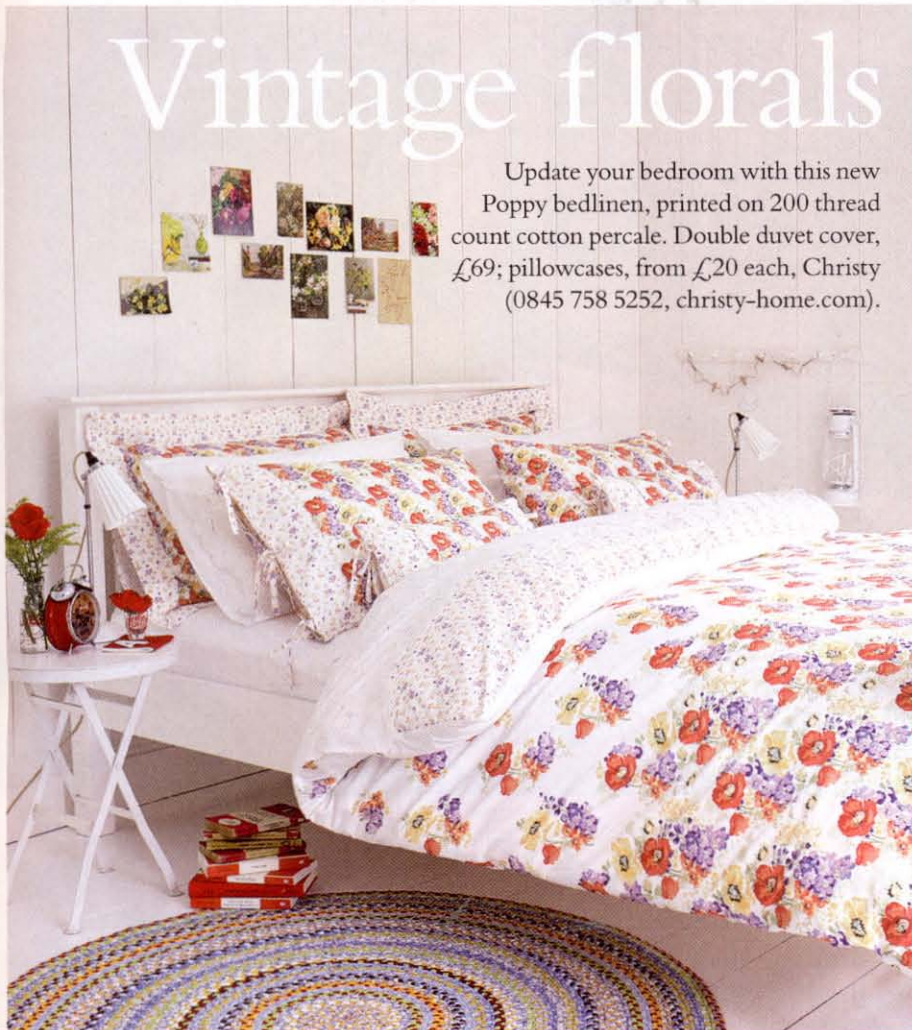


NEWS

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Must-have buys

Vintage florals

Update your bedroom with this new Poppy bedlinen, printed on 200 thread count cotton percale. Double duvet cover, £69; pillowcases, from £20 each, Christy (0845 758 5252, christy-home.com).



Flower power

Brighten up a chair or sofa with this Black Anemone cushion, £23, from the Betty Jackson collection at Debenhams (0844 561 6161, debenhams.com).



'We're going to see lots of lime greens, plus floral and blossom designs, bringing nature into the home'

JO PROCTER, DECOR AND HOME FURNISHING CATEGORY BRAND MANAGER, FOCUS DIY



Be seated

This charming Hatfield bench, £355, Burford Garden Company (01993 823117, burford.co.uk) is made from FSC-certified American oak and painted in a honed slate finish.

LOOKS DELICIOUS

Get set for alfresco dining by investing in a colourful summer table setting. These bright and beautiful Eclectic placemats are guaranteed to infuse your life with sunshine, £7.99 each, from The Contemporary Home (0845 130 8229, tch.net). You can also purchase the matching spotty cutlery set to go with it, £29.99.

DIRECTORY

GARDEN FURNITURE

With summer fast approaching, now is the perfect time to bring your garden schemes up to scratch with our selection of the finest outdoor furnishings



ARBOUR VETUM

Stylish teak furniture, sourced from eco-friendly timbers, is Arbour Vetum's (0845 606 6818, arbourvetum.co.uk) signature style. The extensive range includes loungers, relaxers, dining tables, coffee tables, sofas and armchairs – all perfectly presented at the company's newly refurbished showroom in Gloucestershire.

ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE

Start your search for antique garden ornaments, statues and paraphernalia with a visit to Architectural Heritage's (01386 584414, architectural-heritage.co.uk) home in the Cotwolds. Decorative items include urns, planters, wellheads – even reproduction temples and pergolas.

BARLOW TYRIE

This Essex company is renowned for its teak furniture, but has many fans of its stainless-steel designs, too. The Mercury armchairs, £295 each, and Mercury table, £1,275, (shown above), have a sunny, Mediterranean vibe. Barlow Tyrie (01376 557600, teak.com).



BURFORD GARDEN COMPANY

Burford (01993 823117, burford.co.uk) offers traditional metal and wooden garden furniture, bistro chairs and folding tables. The company's two branches in Oxfordshire and Worcestershire, which include a plant nursery, are the ideal one-stop shops for all your gardening essentials.

ENCOMPASSCO

For elegantly modern garden and terrace furniture, visit Encompassco's (023 9241 0045, encompassco.com) Hampshire showroom. In particular, look out for glamorous, poolside-style pieces, such as this FueraDentro Cima Lounge design (shown right): Sofa, from £1,952; chairs, from £468, and coffee table, from £1,464.

CLIFTON NURSERIES

This London garden centre is treated by many as a calm and green oasis in the middle of busy W9. Clifton (020 7289 6851, clifton.co.uk) is a proper nursery, with garden design and landscaping services available, as well as modern and classic furniture – ideal for turning the humblest space into a stylish outdoor living room.

HOLLOWAYS

The UK's leading specialists in conservatory and garden furniture Holloways (01886 884665, holloways.co.uk) offers a vast range of items via mail order, online, or at its showroom in Worcestershire. Special offers include this Pesaro dining set (shown above), £1,575 for a table, six armchairs, plus a 3-metre parasol.

