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47 Living Room Fireplace Ideas for Cozy and Chic Interiors

This focal point will completely transform your room design

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White wall for the win

Sabra Ballon of BallonStudio in San Francisco says that this chic living room fireplace was designed by their frequent collaborator, Butler Armsden Architects. "It is a dark, rectangular recess in a large, contrasting, white wall," she says. "This fireplace is raised, so you can see and enjoy the warm glow from a distance, even from the kitchen. The hearth is a thick, white-veined, black marble bench that warms up with the heat of the fire. It provides for additional seating for guests, so they can get cozy right next to the hot flames." As Ballon notes, the art on the wall repeats the minimal palette of black and white, yet the curved lines create a counterpoint to the long horizontal line of the bench. "The vertical arrangement of the three frames draws the eye up to the ceiling, and you realize that the whole wall is actually acting as the fireplace surround," Ballon adds.