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## The Most Inspiring Design Books of All Time

25 of our favorite decorators, landscape architects, and artists tell us which titles helped them think, see, and dream. (A few may surprise you.)

## An Illustrated History of Interior Decoration: From Pompeii to Art Nouveau

BY MARIO PRAZ

History is like a mirror—we can learn so much about how we live today by looking at interiors over the centuries. Mario Praz does this beautifully, starting with the ancient world right up to the late 19th century.

—Sara Bengur,  
interior designer, New York City