

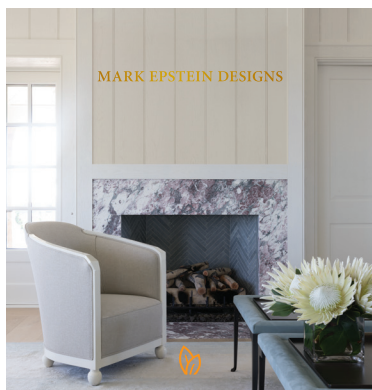


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As one of New York's most admired interior designers, Mark Epstein creates timeless interiors for many of the city's most discerning clients. The breadth of Epstein's knowledge and talents is illustrated in the 13 design projects included in *Mark Epstein Designs*. Via each project, he welcomes you to his design philosophy: "A successful, user-friendly interior must reflect the purposes, needs, and desires of the individuals who will live happily in that space. The home is not a static monument, but a dynamic environment designed to foster contentment." Toward that end, Epstein has added an additional real-life feature to each project: tips on successful entertaining, great recipes, memorable table settings, how to show off your collections, and many more. The "Mark Epstein Signature" is recognized not by repetition but by unique combinations of colors, textures, and client-personalized accessories.

Mark Epstein was educated at Pratt Institute in New York where he studied environmental design. One of his teachers was Joseph D'Urso, who became a pivotal influence on his design style as well as informing his knowledge of space and light. Josef Albers' color theories impacted the designer's work, and today is still an underlying signature. The numerous homes Epstein has designed are layered with his deep knowledge of art, antiques, textiles, and color theory, which are seamlessly played out in each room while creating a cohesive flow from space to space.