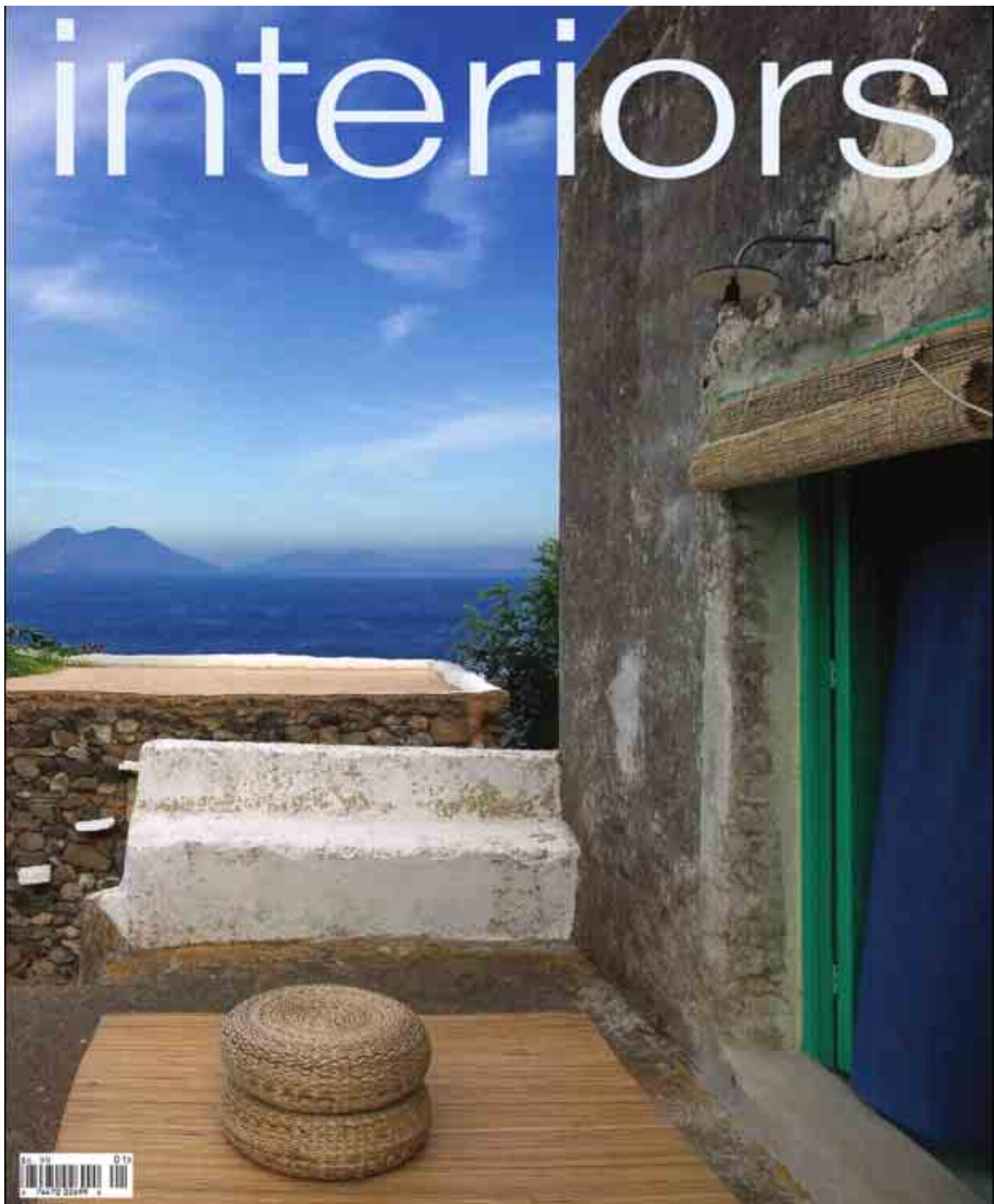


interiors





A keen eye is not all that Gucci inherited; many of her furnishings are family pieces, including the living room's ceramic horse head lamps and an 18th century cherry console with an unusual semicircular profile.

Provenance aside, though, her home is a quietly irreverent mix of old and new. Philippe Stark Ghost chairs pull up to a beech dining table that dates back to Napoleon III. A pair of carved, gold leafed lion's paws from a 17th century chair were reworked into reading lights for her walnut bedside tables. Lucite bookcases of her own design are stacked with volumes of Oriental philosophy and Italian literature. "Books are the secret of life," says Gucci. "It's like finding a new friend—I love reading my thoughts mirrored in people who lived in another time period."

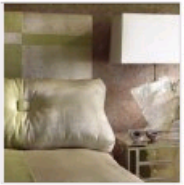
Indeed, the house reflects not only her personal style, but also her life philosophy—a yearning for simplicity borne of growing up among charismatic, assertive creatives. "My family is complicated," she laughs. "Perhaps as a result, I've always gravitated to elegance that comes from simplicity. If you are comfortable with yourself, you don't need many adornments. Designing a house, you have to follow your own heart, your own path—and not be a slave to fashion," she concludes. Self-expression, after all, is always in style ■
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HOLIDAY CRACKERS: Asprey, to purchase 853 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 212 688 1811 asprey.com; Fortnum & Mason, to purchase 877 533 2636 fortnumandmason-usa.com; Party Ideas Made Easy, for information 847 998 6901 partyideasmadeeasy.com



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splendor in the grass

William R. Eubanks, Inc., 400 Hibiscus Avenue, Palm Beach, Florida 561 805 9335, with offices located in Tennessee & New York **EXTERIOR ENTRY:** Light fixtures, Bevolvo Gas & Electric, 1812 Enterprise Drive, Harvey, LA 504 348 3842 **ENTRY HALL:** Console, J. Robert Scott through

Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; mirror, Artifacts International, 9340 Dowdy Drive, San Diego, CA 858 693 6000; lantern, Formations through Jerry Pair Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; sconces, Boyd Lighting through Jerry Pair & Associates, 1855 Griffin Road, DCOTA, Dania, FL 800 642 7247 **POWDER ROOM:** Wallcovering, Quality House through Walfab, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 921 8050; mirror, Formations through Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; console, Stone Yard, Inc., 7455 Carroll Road, San Diego, CA 858 586 1580; sconces, Palmer-Hargrave through Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247 **DINING ROOM:** Dining table and console custom design by William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, manufactured by Today's Custom Design, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 0701; dining chairs, Hickory Chair, Hickory, NC 205 985 0457; leather for dining chairs also from Hickory Chair; chandelier, Formations through Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; mirror, Judith Norman Collection, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 7200; pedestal, John Boone Collection through Tui Pranich, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 6801; bowl, Lorin Marsh, D&D Building, 979 Third Avenue, New York, NY 212 759 8700; vase, Carriage House, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 2661 **KITCHEN:** Light pendants; Hinson & Company through Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; stools, Tui Pranich & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 6801; stool upholstery, Bergamo Fabrics through Bill Nessen Inc., DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 0606 **LOGGIA:** Wallcovering, Stark Wallcovering, D&D Building, 979 Third Avenue, New York, NY 212 355 7186; daybed, custom design by William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, 561 805 9335; daybed upholstery, F. Schumacher & Co., 1325 Old Coaches Bridge Road, Newark, DE 800 523 1200; carpet runner; Jalil's Rug Collection; DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 923 7780 **LIVING ROOM:** Sectional & club chairs, custom design by William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, 561 805 9335; sectional upholstery, Rose Tarlow/Melrose House, 8454 Melrose Place, Los Angeles, CA 323 651 2202; club chair upholstery; Great Plains through Holly Hunt, 3833 NE Second Avenue, Miami, FL 305 571 2012; coffee table; J. Robert Scott through Jerry Pair & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 800 642 7247; game table; Lucien Rollin Collection through William Switzer & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 927 7588; pedestal, John Boone Collection through Tui Pranich, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 6801; rug, Woolsource through Lenos Ltd., 6592 Highway 100, Nashville, TN 615 353 9395; fluted column floor lamp; Bill Nessen Inc., DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 0606; floor lamp; Casella Lighting through William Switzer & Associates, DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 927 9980 **MASTER BEDROOM:** Headboard, bed treatment & cushions, custom design by William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown,

561 805 9335; fabric for headboard & bed treatment, Libas Ltd., 4400 South Solo Street, Vernon, CA 800 635 4227 with Tussah silk, William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, 561 805 9335; sheers, Henry Cassen through F. Schumacher & Co., 1325 Old Coaches Bridge Road, Newark, DE 800 523 1200; drapery fabric, William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, 561 805 9335; drapery fringe, Cowtan & Tout, through Bill Nessen Inc., DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 0606; armoire, Terry G., DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 3327; daybed/sofa custom design, William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, 561 805 9335; night stand, Nancy Corzine through Bill Nessen Inc., DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 0606; wallcovering, F. Schumacher & Co., 1325 Old Coaches Bridge Road, Newark, DE 800 523 1200; lamps, Jan Showers through Tui Pranich & Associates; DCOTA, 1855 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 954 925 6801; carpet, Woolshire, 1275 Mauldin Road, Calhoun, GA 800 799 6652 **GUEST BEDROOM:** Bed treatment & drapery fabric, Duralee Fabrics Ltd., 1775 Fifth Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 800 275 3872; bed & chair, client's private collection **DECK:** Custom-made **THROUGHOUT:** Custom Bed & Window Treatments, William R. Eubanks & D. Mitchell Brown, Palm Beach, FL 561 805 9335



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la dolce vita

Patrizia Gucci Home and Studio, Via Vecchia di Pozzolatico, 10/B Florence, Italy Patrizia Gucci is a stylist/designer, as well as a painter and interior decorator **LIVING ROOM:** Library bookshelf with decorative columns, produced by MAPA and designed by Patrizia Gucci,

Mapa, Via Mimina, 1r, Florence, Italy +39 05522 5750 mapasnc.com; two Chinese black lacquer boxes, from Inside Home Interiors, Viale Michelangelo, 5, Florence, Italy +39 55 6587023 insidhomeinteriors.it; English ancient round console cherry wood, private collection; Indian statues in wood, Kerala dancers, private collection; patchwork carpet in red from "Carpet Reloaded" collection, made with part of old Turkish carpet (end of 19th century and beginning of 20th century), dyed with a special red ink, available through Galleria Boralevi, Via Maggio, 84r, Florence, Italy boralevi.com +39 55 281756; ancient walnut long table, 16th century, normally used in ancient monastery in Tuscany, private collection; lamps with a horse head in white ceramic from Gucci, Gucci 1980, private collection; red painting by Patrizia Gucci, natural pigments and acrylic on wood, the subject is a fisherman from Lake Inlé from Burma / Myanmar; sofa and armchairs crafted by Florentine artisans; big lamp with gold base designed by Patrizia Gucci, from Paolo Marioni s.r.l., Via G Giusti, 199, Florence, Italy +39 55 8879346 marioni.com; lamp shade, cotton red "witch cap" shade custom designed by Patrizia Gucci with canvas fabric from Monica Lupi, Via Luna, 20, Florence, Italy, info@monicalupi.it; curtains, striped Indian silk from Tessuti Mimma Gini, Via Santa Croce, 21, Milan, Italy +39 2 89400722 tessutimimmagini.it **DINING ROOM/KITCHEN:** Countertop under window, "Gaughin" marble from South America, from artisan from Florence; two mahogany table lamps with small balustrade with English Victorian period lamp shade linen, from Monica Lupi, Via Luna, 20, Florence, Italy, info@monicalupi.it; under the sinks, striped curtains in Italian linen from Riccardo Barthel, Via del Serragli, 234R, Firenze, Italy +39 55 2280721 riccardobarthel.it; sideboard cabinet, dark walnut, ancient copper oil jars, private collection **TERRACE:** Plants include gardenias, lemon tree, and jasmine; sofa cushions, cobalt/blue cotton; squared parasol made in waterproof material; Pulley opening system, custom made for Patrizia Gucci from Guido Toschi Marazzani and C., Via Valprato, 68, Torino, Italy +39 11 48 485675 guidotoschi.it **WOOD FLOORS:** Oak antique-style plank treated with natural oils from Stilnovo XL Art's line "Siena," manufactured by Stile Pavimenti Lengo Spa, Via dei Laghi, 18, Bivio Lugnano Citta di Castello (Perugia) +33 75 864761 stile.com