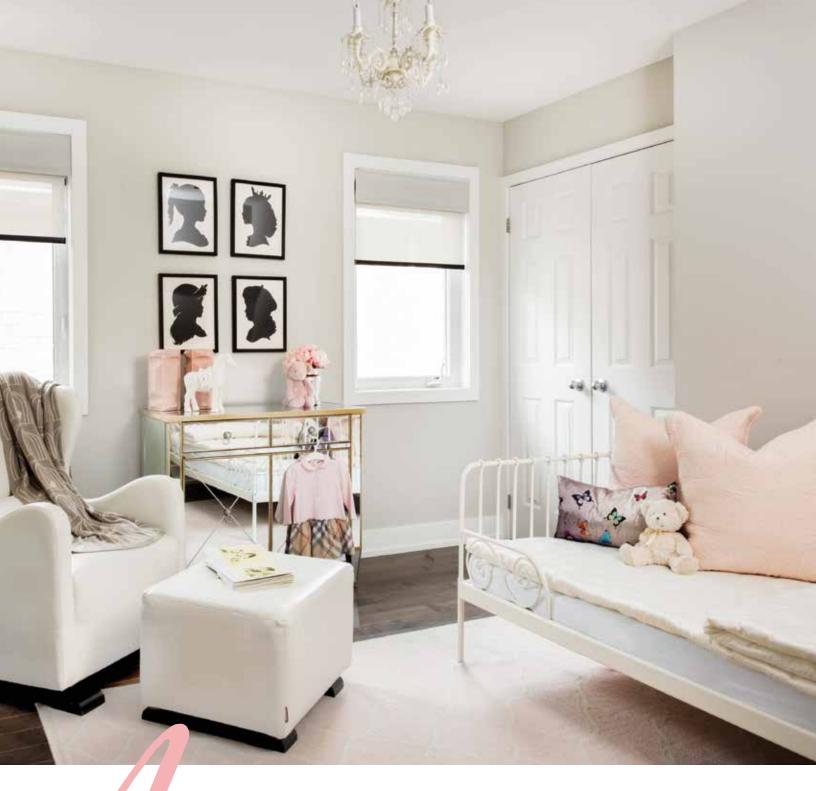


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professional couple, living in a suburban home needed a welcoming space for their now two and a half year old daughter. The result is an 'Alice-in-Wonderland' bedroom combining dollops of Victorian ornateness with modern practicality.

"Our style is modern contemporary but we still wanted a few traditional touches so that the room wouldn't feel too minimal," comments one of the homeowners. "We looked at a few pieces of furniture for inspiration but let designer Dvira Ovadia take the lead on tying everything together. She knows best." After consulting with the couple, Dvira understood "their language, what they wanted to achieve modern, glamourous, and vintage with a clean contemporary look." Dvira combined pieces with a range of price points, with "key pieces of great quality that would grow with the child."

Sheathed in cream leather, the recliner and ottoman provide a cosy, elegant space for reading. The ottoman's square shape is subtly repeated throughout the room. A warm taupe throw provides a drape of colour while







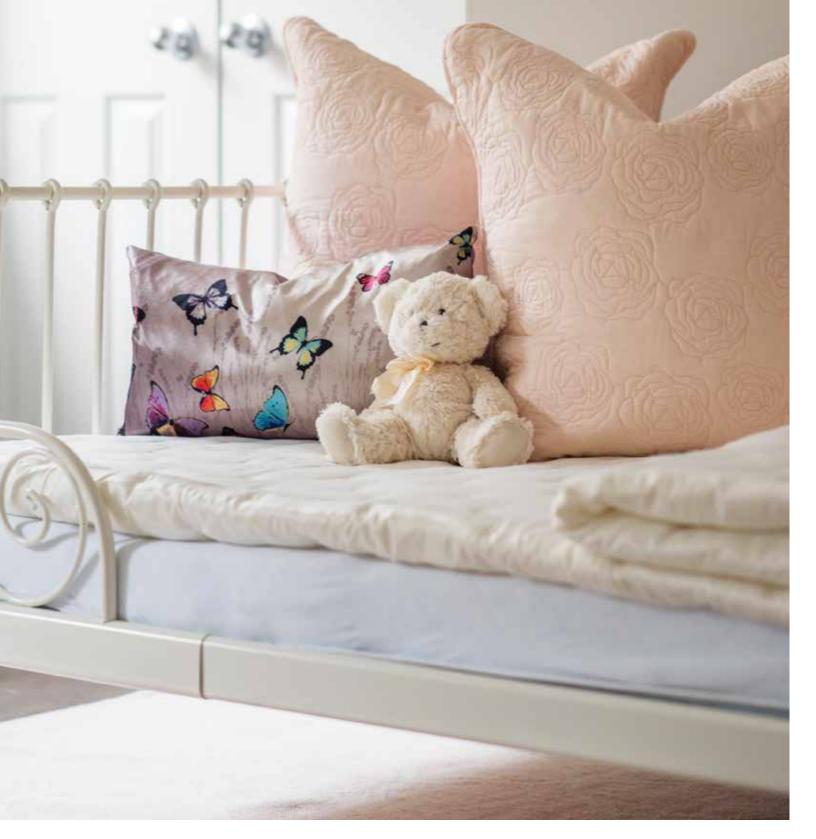
providing protection against spills. Its bird motif re-tweets the room's accessories of cuddly animal friends — including a white rabbit.

Victorian design touches soften the room's slightly masculine strokes found in the dark woods and pared down blinds. An ornate 'layer cake' side table, with its baubles and spindle legs, complement the scroll-laced daybed, rug, and chandelier. "Dvira helped realize our vision for this room and brought in some great pieces to make the room feel cosy and feminine. It took us a few months to get the room together," notes the homeowner.

With looking-glass brightness, the 130 sq. ft. bedroom glitters with a variety of shiny surfaces. The chandelier provides the room's statement jewellery. "Dvira suggested great chandeliers and this was our final selection. We love that it's charming and sparkly," notes the homeowner. On the side table, the reading lamp's glass base adds sense and visibility for reading. Clad in mirrors and studs the chest of drawers visually expands the space. "It was a piece that we really liked from our previous home." In the bedroom it was a "perfect fit," the homeowner comments. In keeping with the daybed's thin outline, the fabrics for the bed and pillow are airy. The roses and butterflies add feminine 'Alice-ness' to the bed linens with a gentle gesture to current trends. Karl Johnson designed silhouettes of young girls, pink and silver accessories, ribbons, flowers, and line drawings of ballerinas to bring a sophisticated sweetness to the décor. "There is a strong play between modern and vintage," Dvira observes.

"We love this room. It's a little smaller than what we would have ultimately wished for, yet Dvira did such a marvelous job. It's so incredibly well put together that it offsets the space constraints," the homeowner states. Friends and family find the room graceful and sweet!

"My daughter loves her whole room. We especially enjoy story time reading together in the comfy recliner and playtime on the cosy wool rug."



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