



FOR VINTAGE FINDS

2 Design Vintage, Brighton, East Sussex

Located in a corner store north of the town centre, Design Vintage has a coastal feel, with tongue-and-groove paneling and a blue/grey colour scheme. Here, Lisa Brass – who launched the business three years ago – sells a mix of original vintage furnishings, among them French linen cupboards, Hungarian glass cabinets and industrial lighting, alongside contemporary home accessories by Nordic brands such as House Doctor and Tine K Home. It also has an extensive online collection – the website re-launches in September. *84 Lowther Road, Brighton BN1 6LH (01243 573852; designvintage.co.uk)*

FOR IRONMONGERY

3 Willow & Stone, Falmouth, Cornwall

Willow & Stone began life in 2005, when Sarah Willshaw – formerly of London architectural salvage specialists LASSCO – moved back to Cornwall, and saw a niche in the market for period ironmongery and lighting. The double-fronted shop, 50 yards from Falmouth Harbour, is popular with locals, visitors and boat owners, who appreciate the salt-resistant qualities of the solid-brass door furnishings and galvanised lighting. Also available are kitchenalia, stationery, prints and homewares. Go online for tips on how best to choose ironmongery for your home, according to its period and style. *18 Arwenack Street, Falmouth, Cornwall TR11 3JD (01326 311388; willowandstone.co.uk)*

ABOVE Willow & Stone's shop is a Falmouth favourite. TOP, RIGHT Maven opened in the Northern Irish capital in 2013 and also has an online offering. RIGHT A G Hendy's Home Store in Hastings has a unique atmosphere.



FOR TRUE ORIGINALS

4 Maven, Belfast

Sisters Catherine and Patricia McGinnis established their shop and interior design service in the 19th-century Reid Memorial Hall in Belfast in 2013. They are now the city's go-to store for British and Irish designer/makers and hip Scandi brands, such as Hay (for which they are the only Northern Irish stockist). Wallpapers by Mini Moderns and Louise Body also feature, as do Saint Marin's soaps, which are handmade in a stone barn in Co. Down overlooking the sea. View the website for details of the Maven Sessions – next up is Weaving on 15 September – and to shop online. *4a Maryville Avenue, Belfast BT9 7HE (028 9086 5176; wearemaven.co.uk)*

FOR UTILITARIAN CHIC

5 A G Hendy Home Store, Hastings, East Sussex

Alastair Hendy's Home Store runs over three floors of an elegant Georgian building, which the stylist, photographer and chef spent