

# Decorator's Notebook

## Style Suggests A World Of Ideas, Combinations

(NAPSA)—While decorating can prove challenging if you have a clean slate to work from, there are a few simple ways to begin the process of creating a space within your home.

In many homes, the den or living room is a high-traffic area. It's also the room that guests initially see and the one that forms a lasting impression about your home. Hence, the living area should be well decorated, well laid out and inviting to guests and family members. It should project a homey, comfortable yet elegant image.

For example, it's always good to arrange furniture in off-square angles. This makes the room warmer and more casual. And instead of placing a large sofa directly against the wall, why not place it a foot or so away from the wall and put a lamp or plant behind it instead?

Speaking of sofas, there are a number of factors to consider before you shop. First, determine what size sofa you need. That may not necessarily be determined by the size of your room. If you live in an upstairs apartment, it may be determined by the width of the stairs or the height of the elevator doors.

Next, remember that trends come and go. Start with a sturdy, stylish model. After that, it's usually safest to pick a neutral color that can be dressed up with throw pillows. Pillows are inexpensive and you can change the look of your room to match the latest decorating ideas.

Finally, pick an upholstery fabric or leather that will wear well



**No matter what your budget or your personal tastes, quality sofas are something that never go out of style.**

with your lifestyle. For instance, if you have kids, you should investigate protected leathers that hold up well against wear from kids and pets.

No matter what your budget, seeking quality and an affordable price doesn't have to mean sacrificing style. Natuzzi offers a wide range of products in terms of style, coverings and functions, creating living rooms where each element is artfully combined to create a harmonious atmosphere. The many furnishing offerings, in combination with the company's lamps, rugs, tables, wall units and accessories, create personalized spaces that are adaptable to any lifestyle.

"Our models have a timeless appeal," says chairman and chief designer Pasquale Natuzzi. "Quality, care for details, love for beauty and refinement, innovative design and Italian passion for excellence are some of the elements that characterize our collection."

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