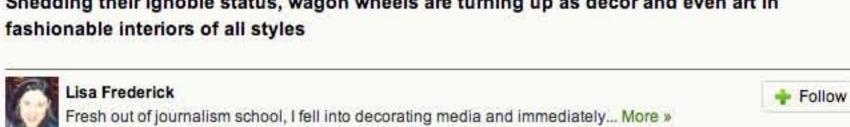


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Wagon Wheels Are on a Roll Shedding their ignoble status, wagon wheels are turning up as decor and even art in



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emember the scene in When Harry Met Sally in which a character lugs his cherished wagon wheel table to the trash pile, having lost a fight with his fiancée to keep it? Wagon wheels have been the butt of design jokes since ... well, forever. One of my former magazine colleagues used the term for any interior that she found hokey and dated. "It's a little bit wagon wheel," she'd say as we studied scouting photos - and no further discussion was needed.

But wagon wheels aren't always the kiss of death for interiors. In the appropriate setting, treated

in a fresh and inventive way, or reimagined as sculptural accents, they can look unexpectedly

cool (yes, cool). And they're not limited to rustic or Old West decor; they have a place in all kinds of design styles. Still skeptical? Check out the wagon wheel ideas below, then leave a comment and tell us what you think.



A wagon wheel peeks from the top of the stair landing in this home. It harmonizes nicely with

the wood surfaces and distressed accents and adds a little levity to the eclectic, brightly colored



setting.

stand elevates it to art status.

by Valerie McCaskill Dickman

This primitive wagon wheel

lacks the typical spokes and

rim, and as a result it takes

personality in this Asian-

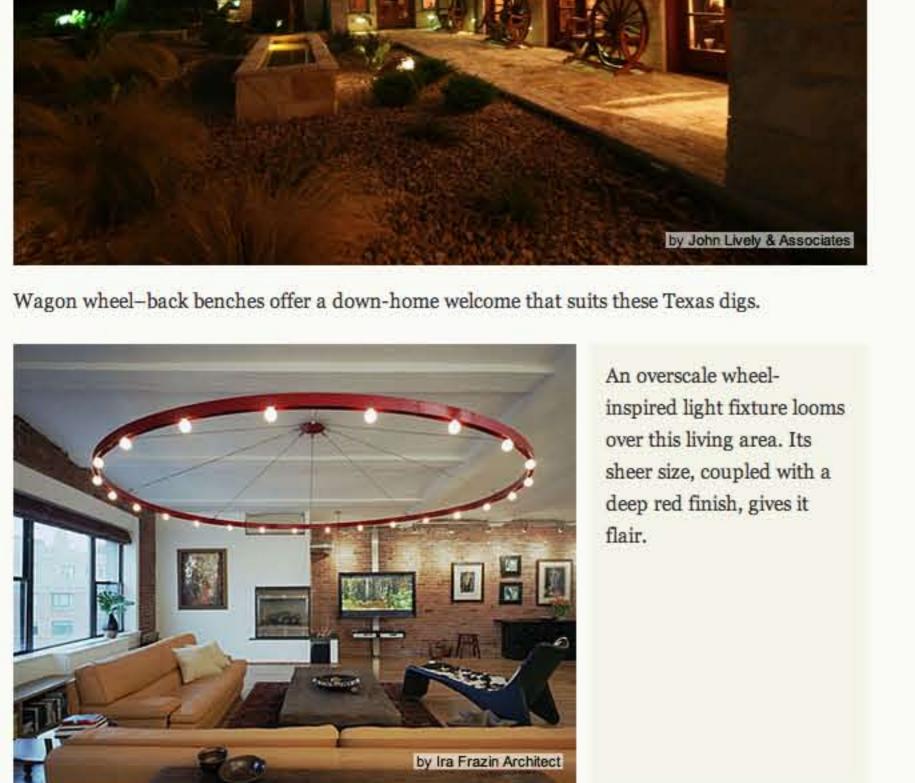
on a completely new

style space. Its circle-

within-a-circle design

whispers of serenity and

flow; its placement on a







A row of metal rims frames this patio and gives off a vibe that's more industrial than country. Have I persuaded you? Let me know below!

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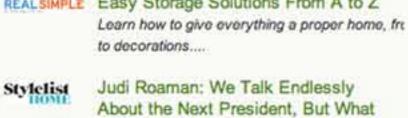
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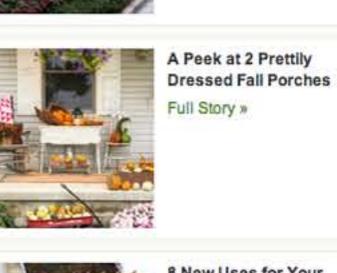
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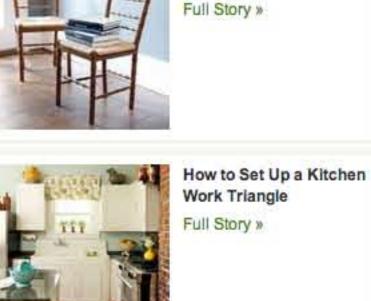


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