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HOME

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*Let There
Be Light!*

Lighting Roundup

Solar City

Sleek & sustainable energy solutions for your home

Designer Charlotte Lucas shakes things up

THE LIGHTING ROUND

From natural materials to creative silhouettes, these innovative designs have us struck.

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FOLLOW THE LIGHT

The hardest thing about bringing this versatile, brass sconce with a woven wicker shade from Furbish Studio into your home? Deciding where to put it. An articulating arm makes it useful *and* beautiful, whether you use it as a reading lamp, picture light, or accent lighting over a bookcase full of classic titles. Available through Furbish Studio / \$675 / www.furbishstudio.com



STRING THEORY

New York-based Ngala Trading Co. offers organic, handmade, and sustainably sourced decor made with African materials. This large, leather-draped chandelier is one eye-catching example. Layers of stripped leather in varying lengths hanging from a powder-coated metal frame create movement and texture, yet allowing for ambient lighting. At thirty-four inches tall and hanging from antique gold chains, it offers a pop of understated contemporary glamour, perfect for an entryway or dining room. Available through Ngala Trading Co. / \$1,850 / www.ngalatrading.com

NATURAL WONDERS



TIER UP

Although Anthropologie is known for its bohemian, well-curated clothing and accessories, its home goods are just as playful (and chic). This tiered rattan pendant deserves a place of honor in your living room or bedroom seating area. With its adjustable height, this three-light fixture is a versatile piece for a stylish home. Available through Anthropologie / \$528 / www.anthropologie.com



STATEMENT MAKER

Inspired during a trip to Mexico, the Jamie Young Company was born from a love of hand-crafted, quality decor. This stacked-horn floor lamp, made of natural horn, brings the company's polished-yet-rustic aesthetic home. A three-way switch offers versatility during the day (or night), and a natural linen shade adds elegance. Available at Horchow / \$2,100 / www.horchow.com



OFF THE WALL

The hemp-wrapped Drake sconce with brass hardware from Charleston, S.C.-based Ro Sham Beaux captures the company's signature East-meets-West style. Whether in a bedroom or living space, with its natural hemp and whimsical shape, this sconce is a piece of functional art for your walls, lending a luxe but casual feel. Available at Ro Sham Beaux / \$550 / www.ro-sham-beaux.com

CURVE APPEAL

LIGHT WEIGHT

Seeking a timeless look? Call off the search. Let Marjorie, a rustic-meets-refined chandelier from Made Goods, shed some light on things. Each curved, opaque tile in the tiered fixture is made of banana bark set in resin—a natural material with added polish. Although the maximum chain length is forty-two inches, for higher ceilings, additional chain is available upon request. Available at B.D. Jeffries / \$2,200 / www.bdjeffries.com



FALL IN LINE

This mid-century modern-inspired Maron floor lamp, capped at both ends with brushed brass, is a sophisticated, streamlined accent for your living room. Nestle it next to a sofa or reading chair for a soft and subtle ambient glow from the LED light bulb within, or admire its sculptural quality when the lights are out. Available through Anthropologie / \$498 / www.anthropologie.com



SMOKE SHOW

Hung by itself or in a group, Arteriors Kacee Pendant makes gray feel like anything but neutral. Made of frosted smoke glass, with an antique brass pipe and canopy, it has a mysteriously chic look that can stand out or blend in. Hang a few over your dining room table for a cozy, romantic atmosphere. Available at Modern Lighting Design / \$690 / www.modernlightingdesign.com



FRINGE BENEFITS

Tassels are everywhere right now, from earrings to formal gowns—and even stylish homes. Get in on the trend with this tassel sconce from Coleen & Company, made of hand-carved solid wood with a hand-applied glossy lacquer finish. Solid brass hardware and a linen shade pair well with all six color offerings (not to mention the all-gold-leaf option), but if your decor requires something even more special, they'll make one for you in a custom shade. Available through Coleen & Company / Starting at \$1,275 / www.coleenandcompany.com



STACK ATTACK

Add an understated, natural touch to your space with earthy lighting like the Phoebe stacked table lamp from designer to the stars, Kelly Wearstler. Mixed materials—like the stacked stone and brushed brass in this lamp—are a Wearstler trademark. At thirty inches tall, it's an attention-grabber, but its eclectic, contemporary styling won't steal the scene. Available through Darnell & Company / to the trade / 118 E Kingston Avenue



WHIMSY & WIT



FLOWER POWER

A company inspired by Mexican artisans, Stray Dog Designs is known for whimsical handmade designs, like this Double Dahlia floor lamp. A scalloped shade and a blown glass ball finial add a tailored element to the sculptural papier mache fixture, and two shelves are at the ready to hold a good book or a mug of English breakfast tea. Best of all, you can order it in a range of low-VOC Benjamin Moore colors. Available through Stray Dog Designs / \$1,200 / www.straydogdesigns.com



WHAT GOES AROUND

Atlanta-based Currey & Company is known for their distinctive and whimsical lighting options. Their Carousel lantern's lollipop red finish offers a hint of color for a bedroom, kitchen, living room, or even a home office. The four-light fixture also pairs gold leaf accents with a hand-forged, wrought-iron frame for luxury and durability. Available through Cotswold Marketplace / \$740 / www.cotswoldmarketplace.com

BLOOM ROOM

Every day will feel like spring under this delicate, bouquet-inspired chandelier by Kate Spade New York. It's available in three finishes: burnished silver leaf, gild, and light cream. Light bulbs in six of the "blooms" are dimmable to bring just the right amount of light—and feminine elegance—to a room. Available through Circa Lighting / \$1,260 / www.circalighting.com



SWING LOW

Traditionalists, take note: This bespoke pendulum light from Oliver Street Designs is crafted from solid brass in four finishes: polished brass, antique brass, polished nickel, and dark oxide. Customize further with various fabric options for the shade. The company's neoclassical light fixtures have a timeless feel with contemporary functionality. Available at Oliver Street Designs / \$1,365 / www.oliverstreetdesigns.com



ALL AGLOW

Twelve lights snake their way upward in this fanciful Winters chandelier from Julie Neill Designs. It's supremely customizable, available in more than three dozen finishes—including classic white plaster, pictured in interior designer Bridget Bear's DC Design House dining room. And with custom sizing, it's equally at home over a dining table or in a bedroom (standard size is forty-two inches high, thirty-six inches wide). Available through Julie Neill Designs / to the trade / www.julienneill.com



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