

HOUSE

and garden



Our sensory perceptions can now come into play after our Winter hibernation (I have to say, however, our Winter is nice, it does make us stop, refuel and rethink). Never-the-less boundless opportunities for all our senses are awakening.

It's time to wake up and start spending on those special items to heighten our embracement of this special season.

Sense of Smell - Spring flowers, coming into bloom, that first rush of jonquils and apple blossoms remind us that its time to stock up on springtime planting and get out into the garden and enjoy. (*Check out **AUSTPLANTS** new native spring range and of course the fabulous **LINTONS** Garden and Home). Now our soil is moist, gardens can almost certainly be nurtured along with some selected indigenous fragrant plants. Or do you want that special flower arrangement which tantalizes the olfactory senses? Drop into **STEM BY STEM** of Mt Eliza.

For Spring Colours - look into **ZAN BACI's** of Mt Eliza, offering fresh manchester and sleepwear designs that have cheeky and stylish colours. A number of Australian and Melbourne based designers have combined unique fabrics and colours together to create something special.

In Mt Eliza again, Chris and Anita of **ASOLUTELY FABULOUS** have imported some beautiful manchester in bronzes and blacks with stylish pearl buttons. Table runners, placemats, tablecloths and throws compliment the range. A must have for spring.

MELLOW CANARY of Mt Eliza have a unique slant on 'personality' furnishings incorporating beautiful chandeliers, wallpapers and hand selected pieces of furniture creating that 'this is me' sense of style for any home.

TIGERLILY of Mornington are offering the fresh look of spring with a beautiful range of made to order & size sofas that are high quality & timeless.

BED N' HOME of Mornington have a never ending range of new soft furnishings, the store is an ever evolving treasure chest.

SNOOZE have just had a new delivery of stunning TV beds in solid timber in Australian hardwood. So what's so exciting? The LCD TV retracts into the base of the bed- making for relaxed TV viewing but when required, out of site and out of mind.

Have a look at our article on rugs which incorporates both old and new.

CARPET COURT have some 'awesome' leather rugs, a true showpiece in any home, along with retro style rugs in black and white and the truly sumptuous shagpile rugs.

CARPET WORLD have a variety of stronger coloured rugs and predominant colours of red and burgundy, wools being a favourite seller.

Homemade **AFGHANI RUGS** have unique handmade rugs all made in traditional fashion. Collectors items, truly inspirational.

Look at our outdoor feature. **BEACON LIGHTING** of Frankston light up our life outdoors with a comment on ambient lighting outdoors.

BAY LIVING of Mornington inspires us with outdoor furniture in the beautiful (my favourite) iron bark and jarrahs being a couple of select choices in timbers. Mosaic tables, wicker indoor and outdoor furniture- a must for any alfresco area.

DOOR WORLD of Mornington have a huge range of patio doors, bifolds, bilateral doors to open up the inside to out, these can be custom made.

FUTURE WINDOWS create timeless quality timber windows that combine indoor and outdoor living beautifully.

To our special section on colour psychology, what makes us tick? How do we react to colour? How do we relate to colour? **DULUX 3D** inspirations have a new showroom in Mornington creating your own unique colour. They will be running a FREE workshop with **VIRGINIA SHAW** on colour in the home. Truly inspiring.

Cheers for now, Ginger Hill.

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