



MATERIAL *world*

Welcome in the new season with fresh patterns and prints, engaging textures and a cheerful palette

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Cara Savon's Taking Flight wallpaper zooms in on life under our noses. Giant blooms and bees make for a vibrant and impactful wall scene. Pick out accent colours in your decor accessories to keep the scheme consistent. cara.com

GO EAST

Inherently fresh and delicate, and often nature-orientated, Oriental-themed patterns are ideal for spring, but also neutral enough that they won't date across the seasons. These modern takes on iconic motifs make them ideal for contemporary interiors.



4 Bamboo, but not as you know it. Romo's Japora design reimagines the elegant plant in toned-down blue rather than green – making it feel brand new. This would look excellent teamed with metallics for a really luxe feel. romosouthafrica.com

5 Very graphic in quality, the Pine pattern in the Nippon wallpaper collection from Sandberg – available at The Silk and Cotton Co – almost doesn't read as foliage, which makes it a really good neutral and understated print for a high traffic area. Its scale makes it best suited to a fairly expansive wall, so use it in a large space for best effect. silkco.co.za

6 An updated abstract take on the perennial Japanese cherry blossom emblem, this design by Ellis at St Leger & Vinay reduces the flowers to almost just an outline, which gives it a modern feel. It'll look extra sharp paired with contemporary decor and grounded with black accents. stleger.co.za

7 This Shogun II design in the Nervosa collection from Hortex offers a fresh way to use fabric: to add depth to a space and an alternative vertical application to wallpaper. The jewel tones are Oriental in spirit but less traditional than the norm. hortex.co.za

8 The traditional village scene in Where I Build my House from Cara Savin has been given a 21st-century spin with bright colors. The combination of complementary yellow chairs makes the blue and orange in the pattern pop. carasavin.com



BIRD'S-EYE VIEW

Avian-themed designs offer nature-inspired charm. An ever-popular motif that lends itself well to a repeat pattern, it's a super-versatile theme and comes in all shapes, species and sizes.

13 If drama is what you're after, opt for quality over quantity with one large visual – mural style. This owl scene from Roben Sprong offers baroque-level impact such that you'd only need to do one accent wall in a space. robensprong.com



14 Combine two classics with one design. The Cara Savon Leicester motif, inspired by iconic textile designer William Morris, offers period charm without being stuffy or serious; upbeat colours keep it fresh and fun. carasaven.com

15 A painterly affect in pink is the epitome of femininity. Here, watercolour geese take flight in the Kanada design from Hertex. The movement and flow in the pattern make it a perfect motif for curtaining fabric. hertex.co.za