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## BRETT MICKAN Interior designer

There's a tale behind every piece at Brett's lovingly curated home in Sydney's inner west.

### MY FAVOURITE THINGS

**Stool** A retro piece with new upholstery in Groundworks 'Chengtudoor Emb' fabric from Elliott Clarke. **Blue armchair** A divine vintage chair I found in an antique store in Miami, Florida. It's covered in Harlequin 'Folia Velvets' from Domestic Textiles. **Artworks** At left is *Early Autumn*

by Joerg Dressler. On the right is a 1970s abstract by Robert Lawson. **Lamp** Another treasure I picked up in Florida.

**Pig** A life-size piggy bank by Harry Allen for Areaware. Available in Australia from Until. **Sofa** Chosen for its classic shape and upholstered in Groundworks 'Bengal Bazaar' from Elliott Clarke. **Cushions on sofa** Custom made by Coco's Soft Furnishings in a selection of beautiful Balinese and Sri Lankan fabrics. **Rug** An antique from Uzbekistan. It ties everything together perfectly.

### MY FAVOURITE HAUNTS

**What do you love about your suburb?** The great thing about the inner west is that new cafes and restaurants are constantly popping up. Current favourites are Hartsyard (contemporary American fare) or Russo & Russo (rustic Italian) for dinner, cheese and wine at The Stinking Bishops or just drinks at The Gretz or Misfits. **Favourite shops?** When I'm in need of retail therapy, I tend to scour local vintage stores, of which there are many. [bmid.com.au](http://bmid.com.au) ▶

