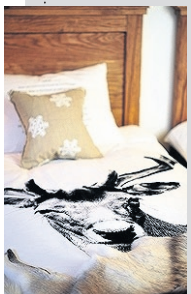


PEEK IN YOUR PAD RIGHT AT HOME



Kids' room

"We chose a country style for this room with charming animal prints, reindeer furs and posters. We made the signs on the children's chairs with their names. When our twins are able to read, they will not fight over the chairs."

Dining table

"It is large enough to have 10 people sitting and is very important for our big family. It looks massive and is the dominant thing in the living space."



MY FAVE THINGS

ELENA POPELNYKH
ON HER SPLENDID
SWISS CHALET



Comfy chair

"This was designed especially for our home and really suits the elegant feel we were aiming to achieve. I love it."

Reindeer hooks

"They give an amazing look to the whole chalet because they are the first thing that our guests notice when they enter our home. After they use them for their coats, they expect to see some more interesting things in our home. And we hope they do."



Lamp

"I love this lamp, as it complements the dining area. It contrasts with other lighting and makes this space more comfy. We liked its original style. It also helps to underpin the sophisticated rustic charm of the chalet."



EMMA GRACE
SMITH

When Edinburgh interior designer Gilly Corkery was given the task of transforming a chalet into a stunning rustic family home she couldn't wait to start.

Gilly, who works at Interior Design Partnership, was asked to bring some sophisticated charm to the Chalet Rose de Nuit in the Swiss Alps by Elena and Valerii Popelnykh in May last year.

After six months, it has been transformed into a dream getaway for anyone who loves to ski and relax in breathtaking surroundings.

Gilly said: "Elena had a clear idea of what she wanted – lots of character and to stay away from anything too cheesy. She had lots of ideas that were great. She wanted something sophisticated with some interesting and quirky details. We didn't want it to look like Goldilocks and the three bears lived there."

To create the right look for the chalet, Gilly used a mixture of UK and foreign suppliers and pulled them together in a sophisticated way.

She added: "The chalet has lots in style without the place being so 'precious' that you are scared to sit down with a cup of tea and put your feet up after a day's skiing."

"It balances style with comfort – style, for example, in the shape of the rustic headboards, comfort in the fabulously comfortable mattresses. A comfy bed is really important after a day on the slopes."

"We are delighted with the finished results, as it really shows off the rustic charm of the Alps in a classy way."

"We played on the balance of the lighting to create this feel."

The dining room is one of the most eye-catching spaces in the chalet, as it oozes style and charm.

She added: "We went to Decorex, the big trade show in London, and came across a young designer from the south of England."

"We designed the table to fit in with the rustic feel, as well as fit the space and cater for the number of people they wanted to seat."

"It has lots of nice eye-catching items that make it stand out."

Homeowner Elena, 38, is also really



DESIGN AT THE DOUBLE The twins' bedroom fits the chalet theme



THE HEIGHT OF

Interior designer Gilly Corkery strikes a balance between sophisticated style and rustic