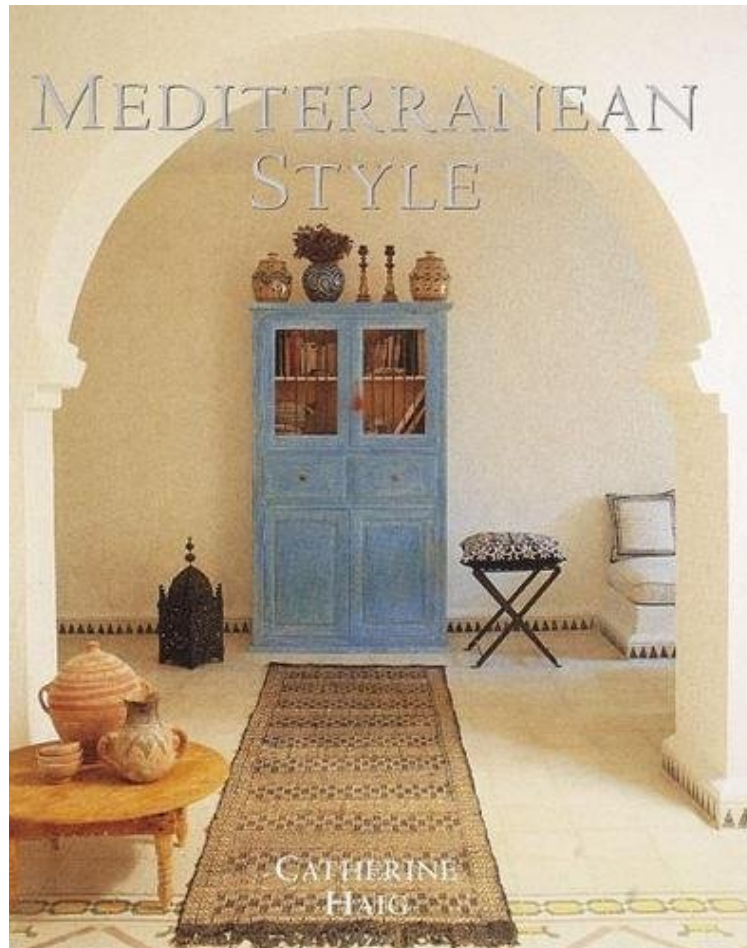


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Vibrant, informal, and above all refreshingly simple, Mediterranean Style presents a world synonymous with relaxed living. From Provence and Tuscany to Marrakech, an imaginative sense of color and pattern prevails, as well as a creative use of natural material and local designs. Floors are natural wood or tiled with terra-cotta, ceilings have exposed beams, and the imperfections of brick and plaster can be highlighted with a light wash of color. Inspiring photographs of Mediterranean places and a practical text guide us through the parts of a large or small home, with chapters devoted to walls, floors, windows, doors, furnishings, and outdoor spaces. In addition, there are 12 illustrated projects with clear instructions showing how to incorporate this style into a contemporary home. Packed with ideas, this original book explains how to achieve a simplicity that both reflects individual taste and is in tune with the current popularity for a unpretentious, informal, stylish home to relax in, whether a city apartment or a country house.

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