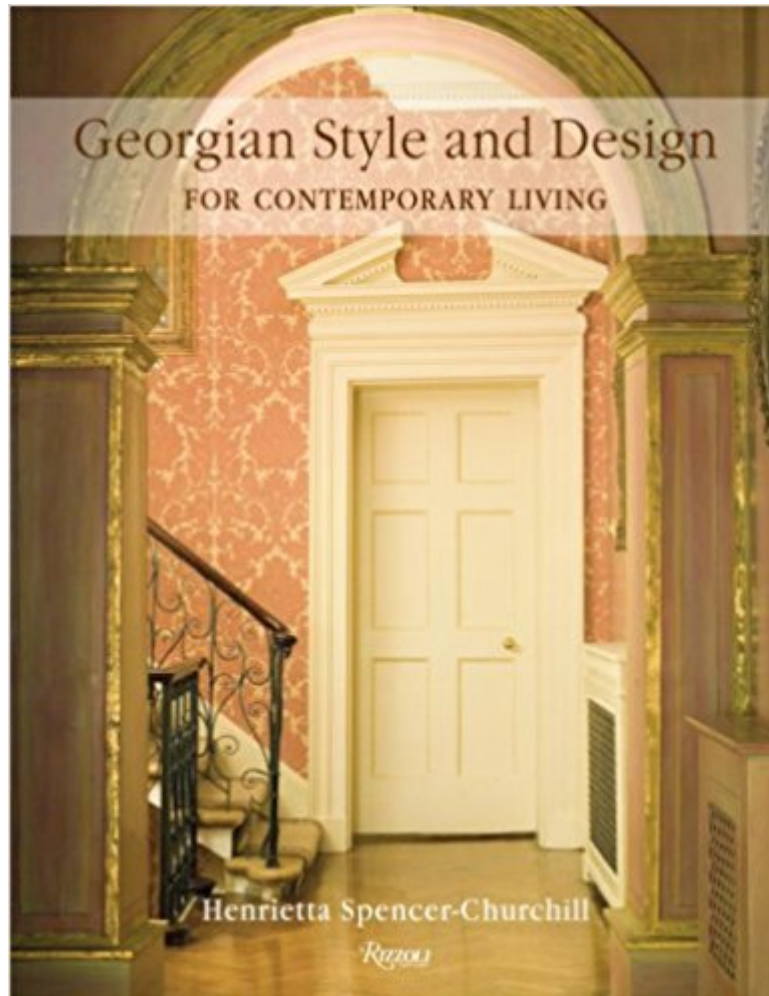




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Synopsis

Henrietta Spencer-Churchill, noted authority on using traditional style in contemporary settings, examines how the Georgian era is inspiring today's interiors. Associated by most Americans with Colonial Williamsburg or Jefferson's Monticello, the Georgian style confers a sense of comfortable luxury that makes any home a haven, as well as a showcase. Proceeding room by room, she examines how updated Georgian style relates to contemporary living. In addition to the staple interior spaces such as living room, kitchen, and bedroom, the book uncovers new applications of Georgian style in such contemporary "must-haves" like home offices, media rooms, fitness rooms, and the transformation of the bath into the home spa. Each chapter is illustrated with photographs that demonstrate the meaning of pleasing proportions and good layouts, complete with detail shots of fabric swatches, color samples, and drawings from the author's design portfolio. A key feature is the focus on design flow to bring consistency to the entire home, and how to juggle spaces for the less formal, family-friendly orientation that is the hallmark of contemporary living. Applying classic design principles to indoor/outdoor lifestyles and eco-friendly living is also discussed.

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"Evoking the regal comfort of Colonial Williamsburg or Jefferson's Monticello...Henrietta

Spencer-Churchill explores how an update of Georgian style can be adapted for contemporary

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Henrietta Spencer-Churchill is the granddaughter of Winston Churchill. She lives in London and runs the highly successful design firm Woodstock Designs. She is the author of Classic Interior Design, Classic Design Styles, and Classic Entertaining, and frequently lectures on interior design.

This is one of those rare books where the cover is fairly dull and the content is stellar. Usually it's the opposite. Highly recommended. The rooms are sumptuous (not fully adaptable unless you have a mansion with period detail, high ceilings, etc., but even if you get one or two ideas it's worth the price. The rooms with the Chinoiserie wallpaper were especially nice.

I purchased this book in order to get ideas for our house. This book was a great starter reference. Keep in mind before buying though, this book shows (wealthy) contemporary houses that have implemented Georgian Style into their designs. It does not so much explain how to apply the style to your own house. We examined the details of the houses featured and picked and chose how we would apply it ourselves. Overall, I think it's a great book so long as one doesn't expect a step-by-step or DIY explanation. It has also proved to be a nice coffee-table book and a conversation starter. I would recommend this book.

Beautiful photos!

I had high hopes for this book. I have over 1000 books, and had preordered this one. However, if I had been able to see it in a store before ordering, I would not have purchased it. It's just "OK", nothing spectacular. I love her other books, but to me this book seems like it was produced simply to fulfill a commitment to the publisher. My advice: LOOK through the book in a store BEFORE buying from . You may like it enough to purchase. But don't feel like you are missing something great if you DON'T buy it.

Great book, nice resource for Georgian decor organized by room type.

This book was beautifully done. There are many different looks in the Georgian style. The photos give you many ideas on how to decorate.

I wanted a book that would be both a visual feast and an education for me because I'm just getting interested in Georgian style. This book did not disappoint.

Lots of lovely photos and history. Caution: might inspire you to rush out to your local antique stores in search of the gorgeous furnishings and fabrics shown in these rooms. I would definitely recommend this one!

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