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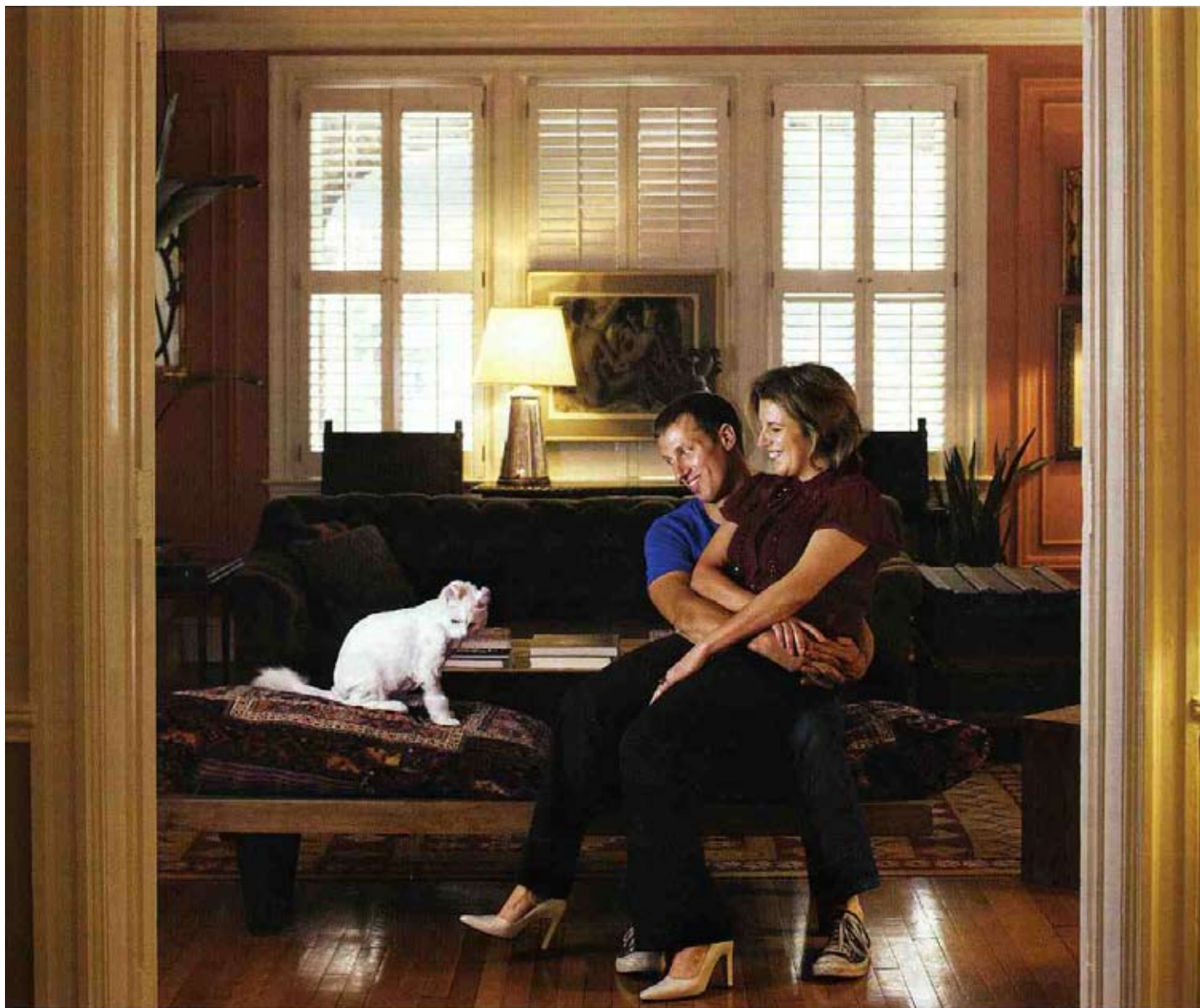
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Dan and Anna Kahoe, and their cat Mimi, kick back in their Mt. Pleasant living room.

THE NATURALS WITH NO DESIGN TRAINING AND AN OUT-THERE STYLE DAN AND ANNA KAHOE'S CULT APPEAL SUPRISSES EVEN THEM

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Stepping into Goodwood owners Dan and Anna Kahoe's sprawling Mount Pleasant manse feels like popping into Pippi Longstocking's home—if Pippi had a kick-ass designer. Life inside is a thing of childhood imaginings. A lovely free-spirit wife and a handsome, shy husband work and play and share toasted peanut butter and chocolate sandwiches all while surrounded by beautiful things of so many styles and periods they can't possibly gel. But inside the Goodwood house they do. Here every decision feels completely organic. And that's pretty much the story with the home's owners, as well. Dan was a bartender and Anna a life coach before they bought Goodwood, the American antiques haven on U Street haunted by interior designers who often don't want to reveal to clients where they keep

unearthing those one-of-a-kind finds. The couple already had a well honed eye for combining antique and current pieces with color and art, and were fixtures on the auction and estate sale circuit when they heard their favorite home furnishings store, which they had shopped for over a decade, was going up for sale. In short order they made it theirs, and made a few changes. The Kahoes added decorative arts and more eclectic pieces to make Goodwood shopable for a younger generation. As Anna says "This is not your grandmother's antiques store." And though they don't yet offer design services, the advice flows freely. "I tell people who come in and have just moved to slow down," says Anna. "You can't reveal yourself in a single sentence and you can't reveal yourself in a day of shopping at one store."



MUST-HAVES

LOUNGE ACT: 'NOMADE' SECTIONAL BY LIGNE ROSET: The Kahoes are currently on the hunt for a sectional sofa to outfit the room where they kick back and watch television. They're looking for one that "references the 80s" and Ligne Roset's 'Nomade' (1) would fit the bill. "I love the tufting and that it's a single cushion instead of sections. It seems totally modern for an antique store couple but we are big mixers," says Anna. Available at Ligne Roset, 202.333.6390. **REEF MADNESS: JAY STRONGWATER BOX:** Jay Strongwater's 'Coral Reef' marble box (2) topped with seashells from his new Grotto collection has Anna's attention. Available at Neiman Marcus. Also of interest right now, home accessories featuring birds. **OLD-SCHOOL SUPPLIES: ENGRAVED STATIONERY:** "I love stationery from Georgetown's Just Paper & Tea. I love all their cards and mostly I love my wedding invites, which I got from them." In addition to engraved notes—such as Crane's 'Kiss Kiss' and 'Limon Monogram' cards (3)—Dan and Anna also turn to Just Paper for



paint color consulting. "They think of everything—like light, how you use the room, how daring you are—and they are genius when it comes to ceiling colors!" says Anna. Just Paper & Tea, 202.333.9141. **TEA OFF: SIMPLEX KETTLE:** The Kahoes get constant comments on their Simplex 'Coil' (4), named for its special spiral which speeds heating. And it looks great, too. "It nods to the past but still looks modern," says Anna. Available at Sur la Table. **IRON CHEF: LE CREUSET COOKWARE:** Dan has skills in the kitchen and perhaps his most-loved instruments are his cast-iron grill pan and other cast-iron pieces that season over time and require little upkeep. They also like the bright colors of Le Creuset's cookware (5). Available at Sur la Table. ■