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## Eastern *elegance*

Inspiring ideas to bring beauty  
and balance to your space

### WALLS THAT WOW

A city apartment  
with bold designs

AT HOME WITH AUTHOR  
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VICTORIANA STYLE ● BALCONY DÉCOR ● FIND YOUR VILLA IN THE MEADOWS





Fleur design doorknob, Dhs1,116 (GBP225), MARIE-VÉRONIQUE SWANNELL for HAUTE DECO



Sedar Global



The Lovebirds Galerie de Portraits oval tray, Dhs280, IBRIDE at AMARA



Shell print, Dhs690, Quercus & Co at TRIBE DUBAI

## Shop for... VICTORIANA STYLE

Create old world warmth  
with romantic touches



Florin coffee table, Dhs3,995, THE ONE



Couture chaise longue in taupe, Dhs3,695, THE ONE



Avalon ottoman, Dhs1,350, MARINA HOME

## ASK THE EXPERT



**“During the Industrial Revolution, the middle classes were able to increase their prosperity and, for the first time, invest in the décor and design of their homes,”** explains Hanne Langmead, collection conceptualiser at THE One. “In Britain, the reign of Queen Victoria, between 1837 and 1901, saw the mass production of

countless household items, making them accessible to people who could never have previously afforded them. They immediately began to emulate the aristocracy, filling their homes with accessories, furnishings and fabrics, all designed to showcase their newfound wealth and status.

“The Victorians favoured soft, subdued tones, while marble was also popular.

They were great fans of pattern and used it liberally, from curtains and cushions to rugs and wallpaper. Often, multiple patterns were used in the same room. You can imitate this look by choosing accessories featuring geometric patterns or stripes. Alternatively, look to animal, floral or even pineapple designs, which were seen as a status symbol.”

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