



CAMERA PAINTING
We bought this painting at the opening night of our friend artist Linda Zarb's exhibition. We bought it without her knowing last June, and then surprised her later.

BAKELITE TELEPHONE
I bought this at Designage in Windsor. It still works perfectly, and friends can always tell when I am speaking to them from it because of the clunky sound it makes.

ART DECO DRINKS TROLLEY
Joseph bought this trolley from a shop on Fitzroy Street about 15 years ago. It's a great example of an old piece that fits in really well with new furniture, like the couch.

EGG CHAIR
Joseph gave me this as a Christmas present from Matt Blatt in 2008 – the year we moved in together. He knew how much I coveted it.

RABBITS
This is one of those collections that just happened. We bought one three years ago, then another, then another. I guess, like the real ones, they are multiplying! We love them.

THIS BRIGHT LIVING ROOM BLENDS ART DECO WITH MODERN STYLE FOR AN UNCLUTTERED COUPLE.

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Above
Brett Currell

In the white room

Creating memorable settings for weddings and corporate events is Brett Currell's business, so it's little surprise that his own home has the appearance of a styled set. Currell and his partner, chef Joseph Perse, have pooled their creative talents to create a home that is a haven for the senses; filled with the scents of fresh blooms and delicious food.

Standard mauve "Charles de Gaulle" roses line the front garden of this semi-detached Edwardian cottage in Melbourne's Windsor, and each of the rooms is a stylish blend of the owner's own long-held collections and pieces bought by Perse. "Joseph used to live in an Art Deco apartment in St Kilda," explains Currell, "so lots of his pieces were bought to work within that space. We think they are just as beautiful here."

A firm believer in sparse, uncluttered space, Currell likes "to be able to see things, rather than it all getting lost together", and he nominates building the alcove bookshelf in the living room as their best home improvement.