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Going Places

... and building the do-it-all wardrobe you'll need, whatever the itinerary.

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Ronnie Fieg speaks out

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explained (yes, really)



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TALK SHOP

BUYING A NEW furniture collection can happen with the swipe of a finger, but tracking down vintage pieces takes legwork. We asked four interior designers to name their favorite antiques shops in their hometowns of London, Paris, New York and Los Angeles. H.M.



LONDON

Francis Sultana

Christopher Butterworth
Belgravia

"This is an Aladdin's cave of pieces—I never know what I am going to find, which makes visits here exhilarating. Will it be an 18th-century torchère or a pair of contemporary French lamps?"

Gallery 25 *Pimlico*

"I love this gallery for its quirky eye. I have found some great Art Deco items here and interesting pieces from the 1960s and '70s I have never seen before, like some great Gio Ponti."

Jamb *Pimlico*

"This London essential specializes in fire surrounds, mantels and grates, as well as large architectural lighting."

When I am designing in a period home, it's my first port of call if I need to work on the fireplaces. Will Fisher, the owner, is incredibly knowledgeable."

Portuondo Gallery
Pimlico

"I love two eras from the 20th century—the Art Deco period and the 1970s. This gallery, owned by brothers Hugo and Diego Portuondo, often comes up with some gems across furniture, objects and lighting. The Spanish connection with their family still in Madrid means they have some fantastic European pieces."

Ronald Phillips
Mayfair

"For the best of 18th-century fine English furniture, there really is nowhere better than Simon Phillips. The family business puts provenance and authenticity at the heart of each sale—it's no surprise that they regularly work with museums and royalty around the world."

London's Gallery 25



A 1950s Jacques Adnet asymmetrical desk in stitched leather, brass and oak at Portuondo Gallery



PARIS

Elliott Barnes

Deco Fontaine
1st arrondissement

"It's been in existence since 1740. In addition to having a large selection of traditional decorative hardware, it also carries Ruhlmann and Puiforcat models created specifically for the store. The level of detailing that Deco brings to the works it creates is without parallel. I love going to the shop sometimes just to walk through the spaces."

Galerie Patrick Fourtin
1st arrondissement

"This is one of the best furniture and 20th-century decorative-arts galleries in Paris. Patrick has an incredible eye for exceptional pieces. His talent has found works that have made their way into refined private collections and museums. Of course, the selection changes

often. Most recently I chose a beautiful wood-and-bronze bench from Sido and François Thevenin."

L'Eclaireur

1st arrondissement
"I first discovered L'Eclaireur 30 years ago, when they were mainly promoting young up-and-coming designers, such as Dries Van Noten and Dolce & Gabbana, alongside works from Fornasetti. A true connoisseur for the 'out of the ordinary,' the founder, Armand Hadida, has a unique talent for erasing boundaries. This destination shop is tucked away on rue Hérold, has no storefront and is accessed by ringing the buzzer."



A bronze by Sido and François Thevenin



Galerie Patrick Fourtin in Paris