

NURSERY RHYMIE

Whatever your style, a beautiful nursery awaits

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As any new parent will tell you, having children throws your life upside down. Even before your baby arrives, you are faced with a number of decisions, including how to decorate the nursery. Here are some ideas for all different styles...

LUXURY

When only the best will do for your baby, start with a luxury crib and work your way out. If luxury is the call of the day, visit Bambizi for beautiful cribs and furnishings for the most pampered of babies. Combining traditional British craftsmanship and the best of modern design, every piece in the Bambizi range of luxury children's furniture offers quality, safety and beauty. The Macedonia cradle (pictured right) is a stunning welcome home. Team the lavish furnishings with simple decorations for an elegant room – or throw yourself into a theme and let the fairytale unfold.

www.bambizi.co.uk



Macedonia range from Bambizi

ECO FRIENDLY

We all like to make sure we're doing our bit for the environment – after all, it's our children's generation who will be cleaning up our mess if we don't. And what better place to start than an eco-nursery? This doesn't have to mean hemp cot sheets, as luxury Australian brand Boori prove with their nursery furniture range. The solid timber cots are made from sustainably-managed forests, and the entire Boori range has just been awarded Greenguard Certification for their low-chemical emissions. Even the sawdust from the factory is recycled and used as packaging for locally produced pottery and glassware. The convertible pieces, like the Sleigh Royale cot (pictured right), can be converted into a bed as your child grows, minimising the carbon footprint of your nursery range. www.boori.com



Heart pillow by Oeuf, www.oeufnyc.com



Sleigh Royale Range from Boori

Autumn Winter Collection 2012
www.luckyboysunday.dk



QUIRKY CHARM

Decorating your child's nursery doesn't have to be a serious affair – why not have some fun and add a whimsical element to the space. One of the designers that does it best has to be Lucky Boy Sunday, a Scandi-chic interiors company creating soft furnishings and accessories with an artistic take on the world of children's decor. Their designs are modern without being harsh, allowing the nursery to remain a safe haven without sacrificing your design credentials. They also are masters of the mix and match, incorporating a vintage vibe to create warm and cosy rooms that the whole family will love. www.luckyboysunday.dk



Man on the Moon light
www.littlelucywillow.co.uk, £35



Winnie the Pooh Range from Dragons of Walton Street

CLASSIC

A traditional nursery solves a lot of problems with decorating for a new baby. With a neutral palette, highlighted with mint greens, lavenders or primrose yellow, an oasis of calm can be created for your newborn. Alternatively, a favourite story character, is a delightful way to keep a nursery traditional, whilst adding a little personality to the room.

Dragons of Walton Street know a thing or two about classic interiors. Their charming character furniture is a favourite with parents, as Managing Director Lucinda Croft explains: "We have found through time that the traditional designs are the most popular. People tell me their stories of their piece of furniture with the particular artwork and how the children remember vividly the characters on their furniture." www.dragonsofwaltonstreet.com



Belle and Boo rabbit cushion, £42, www.sistersguild.co.uk

PERSONAL TOUCH

Every child deserves a room they can call their own, a sanctuary that they can develop and grow in. Interior designer Ursula Wesselingh specialises in nursery design with her company Room to Bloom, creating personalised rooms for babies and children. Using the expertise of an interior designer not only guarantees that you get exactly what you want, but it can remove a big stress from your life as you prepare for your new arrival. As Ursula says, "Decorating the nursery is a highly personal experience that helps parents prepare physically and emotionally for the arrival of a new child. It can however be overwhelming to choose from all the design options out there. Particularly for first time parents it can be a great relief to have help from an interior design expert to guide them through all the choices or even just to give them a second opinion on their ideas."

www.room-to-bloom.com

Decorative Mobile by Trousselier, £37.83, www.smallable.com



Personal design from Room to Bloom

