



LE CIRQUE

Crafted with exquisite attention to detail, this travelling French circus wagon will make playtime the most magical experience for little ones. Designed to carry up to four children, the wagon is also fitted with safety belts. Priced £1800. * www.gigibrooks.com

Interiors

Inspiring ideas for your little ones

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CIRCUS SHADE

Gorgeous Mimi'lou illustrations on darling paper shade makes this an adorable lampshade for children. Fun and delicate, but above all adorable. Priced £18.

* www.petithome.co.uk



ANIMAL ANTICS

Swedish inspired, this "Pink Flamingo Zoo" toddler blanket has been truly made with love. Made with satin inside and soft velvet and linen on the outside. Priced £115.50. * www.stureandfolke.com



PARTY POSTER

Pretty on the eye, this whimsical animal poster is reminiscent of the strong, graphic illustration of the 50s and 60s. A celebration of party pleasure, children will chuckle at this comical collection of animal socialites. Priced £18.95. * www.roseandgrey.co.uk

TIP OF THE **SEASON**

By Ursula Wesselingh, at ROOM TO BLOOM



The circus can be a cheerful choice if you are looking for a nursery theme. Create a room that's easy to adapt with these simple guidelines:

- 1. Go for a neutral white base and choose one or two accent colours to support your theme. Red and yellow are commonly associated with the circus, but use these colours sparingly as they are very stimulating. Green and blue are more calming, or go for black and white with dusty pastels.
- 2. Don't be too literal evoke a circus atmosphere with colours. patterns and shapes such as stripes, dots and Victorian typeface. Not everything has to say "circus" or have a tent printed on it.



£7, Not On The Light, £315, Rose & Grey

3. Keep it flexible by restricting your theme to accessories like cushions, prints and decorative toys. Candy stripe bunting is easy to take down when you're ready to move on.

Letter, £12.75, Posh Graffiti

- 4. Keep it simple to avoid theme overload – a nursery should feel restful. Old fashioned circus lights and a cute circus print speak volumes when supported by a strong colour scheme.
- * For more decorating tips or to book a design consultation, visit www.room-to-bloom.com.



PUT ON A PERFORMANCE

Invite the whole circus cohort into a child's bedroom to inspire reels of imagination. Designed by Miriam Derville of German origin, she set up Mimi'lou in 2005. Renowned for her charming illustrations, we idolise her fantastic selection of wall stickers. Really put on a show with performing lions, bears on tricycles and balancing elephants. Stickers priced individually.

* www.mimilou-shop.fr



CREATIVE COSINESS

Let the circus really come to town with Joules' fabulous children's duvet cover. With a striking blue and white circus print on one side, and contrasting large bold stripes on reverse it's a duvet that tells a story. Welcome clowns on unicycles, performing lions and extraordinary elephants, all in a typical circus fashion. Priced from £36.

* www.joules.com





ONE TRICK PONY

What a hoot these prints are by Louise Tate. Always one to add a dose of humour we love her 'One Tick Pony' pieces, bound to fuel children's ingenuities. Beautifully painted on watercolour paper the whole range is bursting with personality. Priced £30 each. * www.louise-tate.com



GET COMFY

Add the final touches to your circus spectacular with some quirky scatter cushions. Butterscotch & Beesting, on Etsy, "Circus Triangles" cover (priced £34) and Joules' "Strongman" (priced £32) are the perfect addition to get this show on the road.

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