

The background of the image features a close-up of several large, light pink peonies with ruffled petals. To the right, a gold-colored pen lies diagonally on a white surface. In the bottom right corner, a portion of a white object with a gold-colored grid pattern is visible. The entire image is framed by a thin, textured gold border.

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THE HOME OF ECLECTIC BOHO GLAM

HOW TO CREATE

*An Eclectic Boho Glam Look*

ON A BUDGET



## STEP ONE

# Go for Gold!

Get the look of luxury by replacing those silver and chrome metals with warm metallics. Gold and brass are my all time favourites and are readily available in vintage form and now, inexpensively in lots of shops at all different price points. Scour your charity shops and eBay for bargains. Small bowls, candlesticks and even small animal figures can be cheap but look expensive!

Montana Gold Gold Chrome is my must-have spray paint if something needs a makeover!





## STEP TWO

# Mix Patterns

Mixing patterns can be difficult but make sure you have two things right - colour and scale - for a successful pairing.

Colour: Make sure there are colours in common in both patterns and keep your colour palette tight (no more than 2-3 colours). This will ensure the patterns 'speak' to one another.

Scale: One large pattern and one small pattern mix better than two large or two small. Throw in a textural solid as well to keep it all grounded.





STEP THREE

# Be Colour Confident

Speaking of colours, don't be shy in using colours to create drama. If you aren't used to using a lot of colour in your home, start sparingly and avoid using primary colours which can be jarring when used incorrectly.

Consider variations of your favourite colours (check out your wardrobe for ideas) in tones (as if you mixed it with white) or shades (as if you mixed it with black) - muted hues and darker, richer shades both sit nicely with neutrals, making living with colour easier.





## STEP FOUR

# Add Vintage

You can't have an eclectic look without mixing styles of furniture and accessories. eBay is where most of my vintage finds have come from. Create a 'followed search' to keep an eye on specific items you're looking for and be patient!

The amount of time you spend looking is normally relative to how cheap you'll find it. The more time spent scouring, the more bargains you'll find. It's time consuming but definitely worth it.





## STEP FIVE

# Add Animal Prints

Jenna Lyons famously said, "As far as I'm concerned, leopard print is a neutral."

I know a lot of people are scared to add animal prints to their home for fear it will look tacky. Bollocks to that, I say. Okay, don't cover every square inch of your home in cheetah spots but used sparingly (a throw or cushion here, a patterned vase there) and with restraint, animal prints can look fun, sexy and luxurious. A small touch goes a very long way so just don't overdo it!





STEP SIX

# Mix High & Low

The trick to getting a designer look on a budget is to only splurge on the things that REALLY matter to you. The rest of it can be eBay bargains, charity shop finds or IKEA - those bigger buys will elevate everything else around it.

What are the things that matter? To me, items like sofas and beds, bed linens and towels need to be high quality and well made so spending as much as you can afford makes sense as you'll be using them daily.





# Learn DIY Basics

There's no greater satisfaction than 'doing it yourself'. So learn the basics and get yourself a small arsenal of tools - paint brushes, drills & drill bits, a tape measure, a hammer, a spirit level, screwdrivers and pliers are all a good start. Then learn how to use them! You'll feel so liberated when you can refinish a piece of furniture, hang wallpaper or pictures or put up some shelves without having to pay someone to do it for you. Practice makes perfect! A sewing machine comes in handy too - learn to sew and a world of possibilities will open up to you!





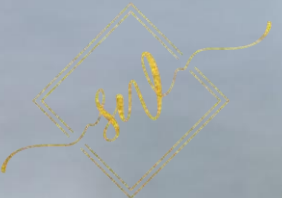
## STEP EIGHT

# Add some life

Houseplants are one of the building blocks of every room I create. They add life, colour and organic form plus they clean the air at the same time!

Start with easy to care for plants like succulents or hardy varieties like peace lilies, spider plants, ivy and snake plants. Do research beforehand to make things easier – every plant has its own requirements for light and water so you'll know where to put them and how often to water them.

If you really struggle, there are some amazing faux plants on the market right now – mix them with real plants and no one will know the difference!





## STEP NINE

# Add Texture

Whether this is through touchable fabrics like velvet or silk or filling a window with an array of houseplants, there's no denying that a touch of texture makes a room feel lived in and loved. Consider a fluffy cushion on your sofa, a faux throw on your bed or an embroidered rug underfoot to give a home a casual bohemian vibe. Collect natural items made of wood, stone, ceramic or metal on your travels to give a room history and personality and show off collections *en masse* for maximum impact.





## STEP TEN

# Be Brave

There's really not much you can do in terms of decorating to REALLY mess things up. Purchases can be returned, paint can be re-painted and even wallpaper can be removed. So why not take a chance on your interiors and try something different? Use Pinterest, blogs and digital magazines as your inspiration and really have a look at WHY something works well - pick rooms you love apart (is it the style? the colours? the feeling?) and decide to finally create the home you always dreamed of - JUST DO IT!







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