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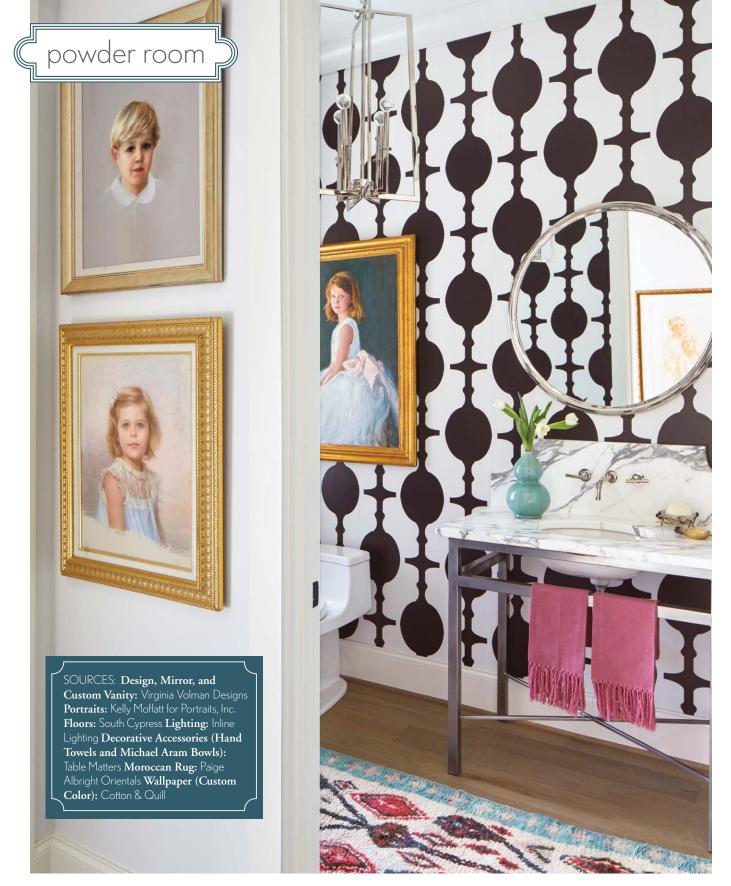
Cotton & Quill offers hand-illustrated textiles, wallpaper, and stationery designs, as well as custom soft goods. Owner Mary Catherine Folmar gathers her design inspiration from her Alabama roots and from her endeavors throughout Europe, Asia, and the east and west coasts of the U.S. She embraces classic Southern style while pushing the limits with contemporary patterns, colors, and textures. All of her products are custom-made in Birmingham and can be ordered online or purchased in one of the many retail stores listed on the company's web site.



otton & Quill owner Mary Catherine Folmar found inspiration for the girl's room from Gina Julian's "Marie" print which hangs on the wall. She based the design on the style of Marie Antoinette with a "modern day" slant. "I wanted the room to feel like a pink jewel box, so I painted the walls and ceiling in the same color," Mary Catherine says. The designer continued the palette by creating custom color ways for Cotton & Quill's "Steel Magnolia," "Zelda," "Koi," and "Equestrian Plaid" prints using similar pink hues. "The pattern choices for the fabrics have somewhat traditional motifs but are freshened up through scale and color," says Mary Catherine. Finishes in the room were chosen to complement the white, high-gloss frame of the "Marie" print. "The lacquered round mirror and candelabra sconces work nicely with the frame," she says. "I also brought in brass accents to warm the space." To complete the look, Mary Catherine softened the room by layering a variety of vintage rugs.







ith a talent for combining traditional, modern, and eclectic with punchy color for completely individual style, designer Virginia Volman brings verve to the powder bath. Bold wallpaper from Cotton & Quill sets a dramatic tone, while portraits from Kelly Moffatt for Portraits, Inc. lend a sweet touch. A rug from Paige Albright brings in blues and pinks.

Virginia designed the marble-topped custom vanity that adds even more texture with its well-defined veining. "A powder room is a where your imagination can go wild. All rules can be thrown out the door, and that is what I did here," Virginia says. "This house is full of family-friendly yet elegant spaces, and I wanted a room to let your funky glam side show."