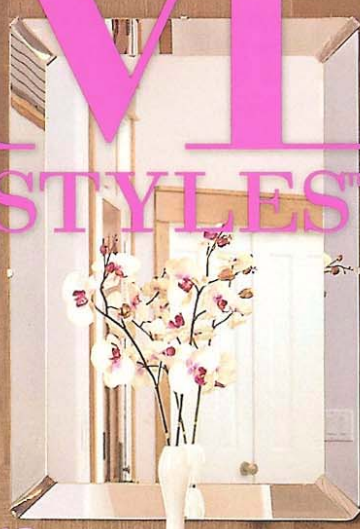


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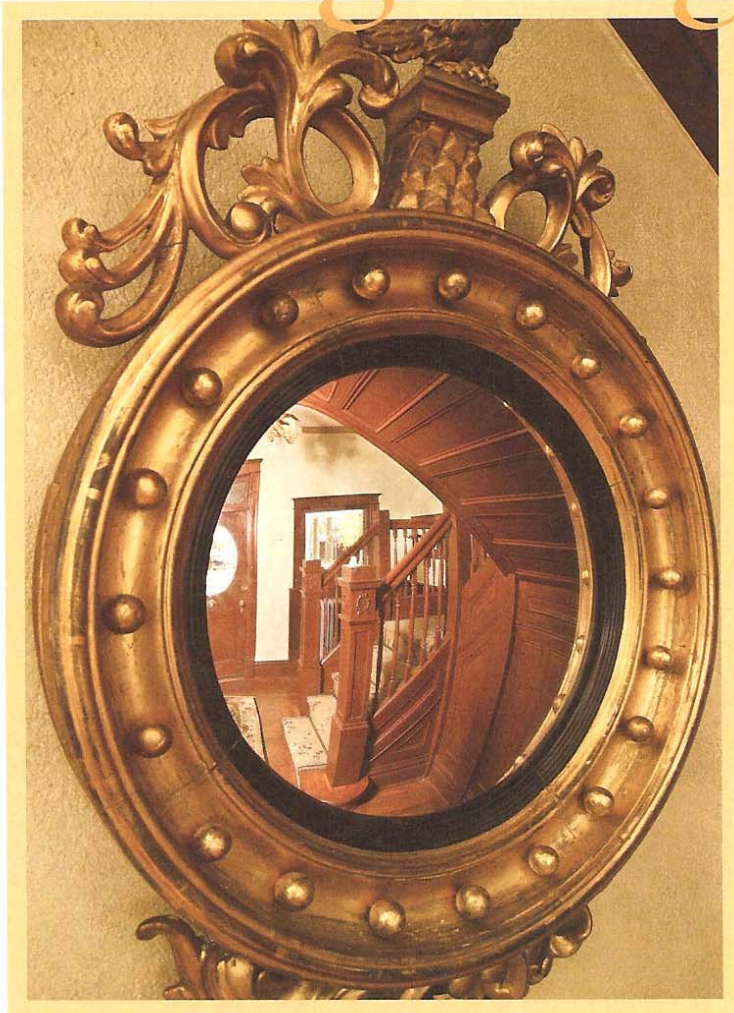
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Restoring Integrity



A THOUGHTFUL COLLABORATION BRINGS A SALIDA VICTORIAN BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL 1905 SPLENDOR

STORY BY ANDREA BANKOFF

PHOTOGRAPHY BY RON RUSCIO

IT took nearly 100 years to dull the gloss of a charming Victorian home in Salida, but it has now proudly reaffirmed its heritage.

Kurt and Kathy Westman, who have owned ranch property for 15 years in Howard, Colorado, a rural area located about 15 miles from Salida, had every intention of living on the ranch and even restored an old cabin on the land. But, as Kurt explains, that was before the couple fell in love with the historic town of Salida. "Salida is loaded with personality, stunning scenery, great restaurants, a great arts community, and a convenient proximity to Monarch ski area," he says.

Shortly after purchasing a Queen Anne-style Victorian in the heart of town, the Westmans hired Denver- and Aspen-based designer Cassandra Lohr, architect Richard Henry, and general contractor Gary Hand to begin the process of restoring and renovating this diamond in the rough. "Except for a poorly 'remodeled' master bath, a kitchen that needed to be completely renovated, and a discordant carriage house addition, the house still had its original good bones," says Westman. "It was built in approximately 1905, and luckily the previous owners hadn't changed the basic architectural structure. We just had to remove all the 'modernization.'" ▷

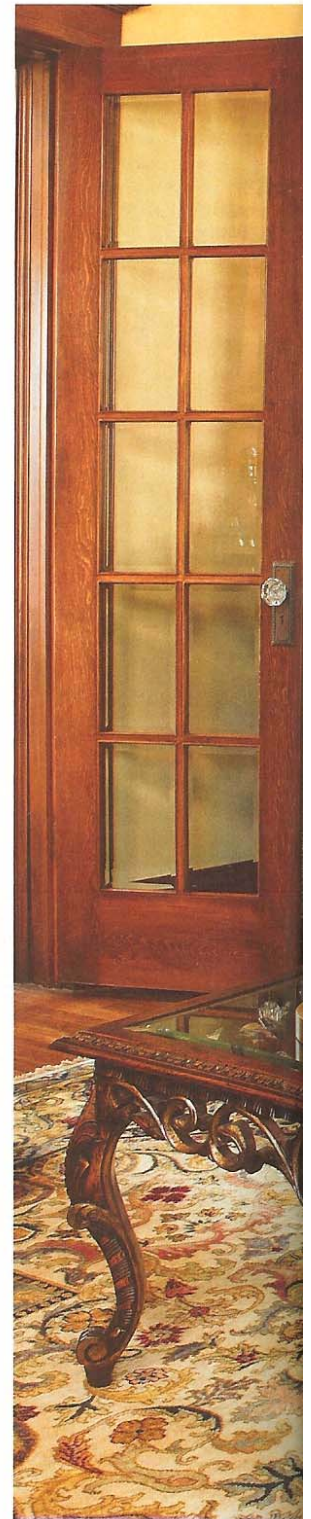
"For the dining room, as in the rest of the house, I chose the rug first and let it dictate the color palette," says Lohr. The elegant draperies, swagged on rods, cascade and puddle graciously to the floor. A buttery gold faux finish on the walls softens everything and connects the room to the rest of the house. CHANDELIER: Schonbek, JJ&S Lighting, Denver Design District (DDD), (303) 777-1007. RUG: Floor Coverings by CPA, DDD, (303) 722-4700.





(above and opposite page) Each antique was selected to achieve an elegant look. To embellish the golden silk velvet sofa, Lohr had the cushions embroidered in red. She discovered the rare *trumeau* mirror that now hangs over the sofa, and knew right away that it was perfect for her clients. "Parts of the mirror encompass beautiful oil paintings, so it really is a work of art that adds dimension and beauty," she says of her find. SOFA: The Collection by Cassandra Lohr, (303) 377-7121. TABLE: Gustav Carroll, Egg & Dart, DDD, (303) 744-1676.

(right) The lady's dressing room showcases an elaborately carved and custom-detailed vanity with burlwood from The Collection by Cassandra Lohr, (303) 377-7121. RUG: Shaver-Ramsey, (303) 320-6363.



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