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Furniture

From 19th-century antiques to minimalist modern pieces, those in the market for furniture today can find a wide range of options that didn't exist in Austin even a decade ago.

ANNIE DOWNING INTERIORS

Opened in 2016 in what has quickly become a mini design district downtown, Annie Downing Interiors offers everything from accessories to upholstered furniture to art. Barware, trays, lighting, pillows, blankets, dining chairs, case goods, rugs and small items that make great gifts also are available. The showroom is open to both designers and the public. 509 Powell St., (512) 524-0061, anniedowning.com

ANTHROPOLOGIE

The national chain that deals in French flea market chic offers a plethora of home goods. Furniture, bedding, room and wall decor, rugs, curtains and lighting all are available in the Anthropologie showroom. Whether you're looking for a monogrammed coaster (\$3.95) or a velvet three-piece sectional (\$5,298), you can find it here. [Multiple locations, anthropologie.com](http://anthropologie.com)

AT HOME

Formerly known as Garden Ridge, this rebranded home decor superstore makes airplane hangars look small. It offers more than 50,000 items, including seasonal and holiday decor, patio furniture, home furnishings, wall art and decorative accents, rugs and housewares at relatively low prices. Three locations (South Austin, Cedar Park and Pflugerville) serve the area. [Multiple locations, athome.com](http://athome.com)

B&B ITALIA

The high-end Italian furniture brand famous for its modern style and forward-thinking design opened a showroom on West Sixth Street in 2016. Located in the former NEST Modern space, the 7,000-square-foot showroom is larger than B&B Italia's other Texas showrooms, in Houston and Dallas, and is a "mono-brand" showroom (meaning: only B&B Italia products). 1009 W. Sixth St., Ste. 120, (512) 617-7460, bebitalia.com



BACK HOME

Though the North Lamar location has closed down, the South Lamar location remains a popular spot for French-inspired living. Owner Mari Johnson has been involved with the business since 1981 and has made more than 30 trips to France to curate the collection. In 2013, home professionals voted Back Home the Best Source for Traditional Furniture in Austin Home. 4477 S. Lamar Blvd., (512) 327-7753, backhomeliving.com

BLU DOT

This Minneapolis-based modern furniture brand opened in 2014 to much fanfare. That year, in Austin Home, local interior designers voted Blu Dot the city's Best New Furniture Store. Offering items that are better designed than those at IKEA but are priced lower than those at Design Within Reach, Blu Dot has targeted that large midsection of modern furniture fans. 416 E. Cesar Chavez St., (512) 243-5330, bludot.com

CAFFREY'S TRADE SHOWROOM

Open to the trade only, Caffrey's is best known for its upholstered furniture, which can be custom made to fit a client's preferences for size, fabric, color and stitching, among other things. The showroom is set to move into a new, larger space on Kramer Lane by the first week of December 2016. Until then, it is in a temporary location at 11500 Metric Blvd. 2100 Kramer Lane, Ste. 100, (512) 323-2878, caffreysfurniture.com

COLLECTIC HOME

Co-owned by Joni and Greg Greeson, this 7,000-square-foot upscale contemporary furniture store offers an artful and ever-changing blend of furniture, lighting, accessories and rugs. The Greesons travel the world to find pieces with enduring, functional design at low, direct-import prices. Collectic Home's one decorating rule is: There should be no rules. 2785 Bee Caves Road #325, (512) 347-1616, collectichome.com