

## DESIGN TRENDS

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**I**MAGINE THE SENSUOUS feeling of pure silk, whisper-soft cashmere, superior quality Egyptian cotton, a plush goose-down duvet or the finest antique Irish linens amask on your skin, or the pleasure of padding around barefoot on a lush handwoven carpet. More Southwest Florida homeowners are incorporating the world's most pampering fabrics into their everyday lives, says Gale Gordon Nering, the owner of And So To Bed.

Like many of her clientele, she has traveled the globe and experienced the world's most luxurious fabrics firsthand. The best hotels offer nothing less, and people get quickly spoiled and want those same creamy, dreamy textures at home. They can find them at her mid-naples boutiques, as well as other venue throughout the area.

Interested in incorporating a touch of Euro five-star hotel luxe into your everyday life? ...Options follow.



### Vintage Tabletops

Superior quality fabrics aren't relegated to bed and bath. Consider tabletop linens that are more than a cut above what's being manufactured today. While contemporary napery is fine for everyday use, vintage is far superior for special occasions. At Provenance Naples, a treasure trove of stunning "antiques for dining" in Old Naples, we found an exquisitely woven linen. Handwork varies, but owner Cheryl Stone calls the raised padded satin stitch embroidery technique her favorite. Prices vary, but as Stone points out, "These linens have lasted many years and will last another generation."

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