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***SUPERMODEL BROOKE SHIELDS COVERS FIFTH ANNUAL SEPTEMBER
STYLEMAKER ISSUE OF BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS MAGAZINE***

Reese Witherspoon, Darby Stanchfield, and more join the list of 2015 Stylemakers



DES MOINES, IA/NEW YORK, NY (August 13, 2015) – *Better Homes and Gardens* (BHG), the leading lifestyle brand reaching 50 million consumers a month*, today announced the release of its fifth annual Stylemaker Issue, highlighting creative forces and tastemakers who influence the worlds of fashion, food, home design and entertaining. The issue is available on newsstands August 18.

Supermodel, actress and author Brooke Shields covers this year's issue, [opening the doors of her self-decorated Long Island cottage](#) to BHG readers for a dose of design inspiration.

"Brooke is the embodiment of the modern creative spirit we want to share with our readers in our September Stylemaker issue, and we are so thrilled to have her on our cover," says *Better Homes and Gardens* Editor in Chief Stephen Orr. "Like Brooke, our readers juggle busy careers, family lives and responsibilities at home. Our goal is to inspire even the busiest person

with fun and easy ways to infuse style into everyday life – whether that's through a flea market find, a go-to cocktail recipe, or a fresh coat of paint."

Brooke joins 18 other Stylemakers featured in this issue, including artists, chefs, authors and fashion icons who reveal their best recipes, decorating tips and out-of-the-box entertaining ideas.

The fifth annual Stylemaker Issue will be celebrated on September 17, through an invite-only event in New York City, where 75 lifestyle bloggers will attend hands-on classes, panels and parties for a full day of networking with BHG editors and friends of the brand.

"It's a celebration of style in all forms, and something that readers, advertisers, friends and fans can all unify under—the notion of personal style and living life in color," says Christine Guilfoyle, SVP and Publisher of *Better Homes and Gardens*. "Our approach to this issue—and every issue—is wholly cross-channel, with a host of in-book, social, video and event opportunities designed to elevate and enhance the experience."

The complete list of 2015 BHG Stylemakers featured in this issue includes:

ACTRESSES and ENTREPRENEURS

Brooke Shields – Supermodel, Actress and Author

Some people count sheep to fall asleep. Brooke Shields decorates rooms in her head. “It’s completely relaxing,” she says of her secret passion for interior design. The beauty icon [decorated her Long Island cottage 100% herself](#) and says she loves tag and estate sales, flea markets and auctions. “I can envision the transformation of anything.”

Reese Witherspoon – Actress and Creator of Lifestyle Line Draper James

The clothing, accessories, and home goods in [Reese’s new line](#) are inspired by her Southern roots. “It was really important to me that we support local artists and manufacturers,” she says. “Seventy percent of the collection is made in the U.S. – 40 percent in the South.”

Darby Stanchfield – Scandal Actress

“I’m known as the brown-bagger on the Scandal set,” says the actress, who has a major green thumb and sources salad ingredients from the [veggie and herb gardens on her back porch](#).

DESIGNERS and STYLISTS

Lindsay Emery – Founder of Suite One Studio

We swoon over her small-batch porcelain dishes with irregular shapes, painterly glazes and gold flourishes. “I love girly, but I also love to play in mud and get dirty,” says the North Carolina designer and ceramicist.

Kishani Perera – Designer, Author and L.A. Boutique Owner

“It’s all in the mix,” says this So-Cal designer who combines high-end with bargain-basement pieces and is always on the lookout for secondhand finds. “You can’t throw everything together and call it eclectic. You need balance.”

Emily Henderson – Stylist and TV Host

“Every room needs some soul,” says the L.A. style guru, whose “happy” and “layered” decorating approach won her the top spot on HGTV’s Design Star in 2010 – propelling her to instant stardom in the design world.

Jen Ramos – Founder of Made by Girl

This New York City paper goods goddess and artist loves feminine flourishes. Her decorating pet peeve? “Wrong art. The art you pick needs to move you – and be able to do so for a long time – not just fill a space.”

Trina Turk – Fashion Designer

Credit her bold prints and vivid colors for two decades of fashion fame. Trina, who is celebrating her label’s 20th anniversary this year, lives by the words, “Don’t take yourself too seriously,” and invents reasons to host parties. “Make it fun,” she says “Even if it’s ‘we’re celebrating September.’”

Patrick Mele – Designer

“Style is what makes life fun,” says Patrick – who used rich earthy browns and nature inspired greens to transform a New York City studio apartment in this issue. His latest obsessions? Albert Maysles’ documentary on fashion icon Iris Apfel, tribal mudcloths and a good bottle of Brunello di Montalcino.

Eddie Ross – Author and BHG East Coast Editor

Like the fun, style-savvy friend we all want, Eddie shares his passion for locating and restoring vintage finds in his new book “Modern Mix: Curating Personal Style with Chic and Accessible Finds.” His pro-tip for the perfect place setting? Mix in patterned salad plates with everyday white dinner plates to keep the table bold and the costs down.

Robin Wilson – Ecofriendly Lifestyle Expert and Designer

This queen of clean says that eco-friendly, allergy-friendly fabrics are more important in the bedroom than any other room in the home. Simplify window treatments, splurge on bedding and corral the clutter for a bedroom that’s stylish, cozy and healthy.

Brian and Jill Faherty – Founders of Schoolhouse Electric

When he couldn’t find quality light fixtures for the old homes he restored, [Brian Faherty started marking them himself](#). “Style isn’t about buying things,” he says of the decorating scheme inside the couple’s Portland, Oregon home. “It’s about blending things and feeling like there’s a sense of belonging.”

Suysel dePedro Cunningham and Anne Maxwell Foster – Design Firm Owners

Since starting New York design firm Tilton Fenwick in 2010, Anne and Suysel have become pattern junkies. “We rarely use just one fabric on any item,” Suysel says. In fact, the duo used three to give new life to a \$1 Craigslist chaise longue in this issue.

FOODIES and ENTERTAINERS**Tanya Holland – Chef, Restaurant Owner and Cookbook Author**

The Oakland, California native brings a modern twist to soul food classics, but she does it in her way: “In a straightforward and unfussy manner.” The wait can be as long as two hours for her famous fried chicken and cornmeal waffles at her popular restaurant.

Erin Gleeson – Cookbook Author, Photographer and Artist

When this [California foodie entertains](#), there’s no question where the party will be. “I like to keep things simple and self-serve so I can enjoy my guests.” A build-your-own endive cup on her back deck is a lightened-up riff on a crostini bar.

Sara Forte – Cookbook Author and Blogger behind The Sprouted Kitchen

“Keeping food close to its natural state captures freshness and flavor,” Sara says of her cooking philosophy. But the trick to keeping guests happy? All you need is “a big batch of one amazing cocktail and really, really good coffee.”

Clodagh McKenna – Chef, Cookbook Author and PBS Host

Butter plays a starring role in this Irish chef’s recipe book. “In Ireland our sheep and cows graze on herby and floral pastures, creating beautiful butter, cheese, milk and cream,” Clodagh says of the inspiration for her [bread pudding featured in this issue](#), and her mission to put Irish food back on the map.

ABOUT BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS

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