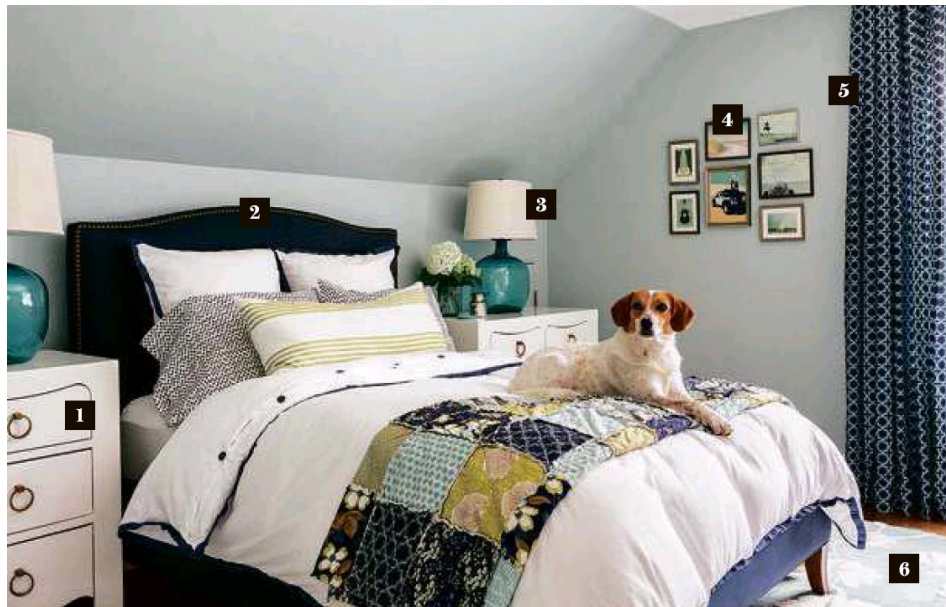


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## Upfront



### STYLE WATCH

## Not-So-Empty Nest

A BEACHY SUITE IN ANDOVER WORKS FOR A COLLEGE-AGE DAUGHTER TODAY AND VISITING FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE FUTURE.

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Part of a renovation that affected the entire Andover home, this new suite was created for the family's daughter, now a college student. While the space needed to suit her, versatility was key. "Her mother envisioned using it as a guest room in the future," says interior designer Kristina Crestin, who is based in Manchester-by-the-Sea. The aesthetic she created has a coastal vibe and features multiple shades of blue. "The one caveat was that they didn't want the room to be cutesy," Crestin says. Custom built-in features complement inexpensive finds with intriguing flair, particularly the bed quilt, a vibrant patterned piece discovered on Etsy. "It has hints of navy blue, light turquoise, chartreuse, and spring green," Crestin says. "We based the scheme for the entire room around it."



**1** There wasn't a wall long enough to accommodate one large dresser, so two smaller dressers from Bungalow 5 that function as **night stands** handle clothing storage.

**2** A solid navy Serena & Lily **headboard** doesn't compete with the quilt. (The family pet, Bodie, often stretches out on the bed.)

**3 Lamps** are fashioned out of recycled glass in a brighter blue. "It seemed sort of crazy to add another blue in here, but we loved the palette so much," Crestin says. "We went for it, and it works."

**4** An **art wall** with vintage frames includes beach-themed photographs that have special meaning to the homeowners.

**5 Drapes** were made out of one of the fabrics in the quilt. "The quilting manufacturer shared the fabric vendors," Crestin says, "and we were able to buy this material for \$10 a yard."

**6** The pale blue floral **wool rug** can stand up to heavy use, Crestin says.

**7** A Tolix **stool** painted deep blue is a handy perch that tucks easily under the Carrara marble bathroom counter.

**8** A **built-in mirror** makes the room feel bigger, while an extra-deep cabinet above the toilet offers ample space to stash towels and toiletries.

**9** Vintage-reproduction **pendant lights** by Schoolhouse Electric have a chrome finish and white porcelain canopies. "Pendants are great to have in bathrooms," says Crestin, "since you want to have light near your face, not above you."

**10** A **Roman shade** made from the same fabric as the bedroom drapes was customized with turquoise grosgrain detailing.

**11** The **sink** was located at the end of the counter to create a long vanity area for the daughter to do her makeup and store her essentials.