

# kids ONLY

These four petite pads prove that sophisticated style isn't just reserved for adults.

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TWO PEAS  
IN A pod

Inspired by a beloved wallpaper, homeowner Jessica Waks designs a charming nursery for her one-year-old twins, Jack and Charlie.

**BALANCED BOOKS** The colourful wallpaper – a collage of iconic early Penguin book covers – was the starting point for the twins' nursery. "I fell in love with its whimsical vintage sensibility. Plus, I've always loved classic literature," says Jessica. Since it's a busy pattern, she limited it to a feature wall and repeated only three hues –periwinkle, navy and orange – in the decor.

**CUBBY CENTRAL** Storage was important because Jessica had selected the smallest bedroom for the nursery before knowing she was having twins. And while the designated space sports a decent-sized closet, she still chose a highly functional dresser with cubbies for easy access to baby supplies and a top that works as a change table.



Cloud White CC-40 **WALL PAINT**, Benjamin Moore; Osborne & Little Penguin Library **WALL-PAPER**, Primavera; **CRIBS, DRESSER**, Mother Hubbard's Cupboards; swivel **GLIDER**, Rooms to Grow; Lulu DK Child for Schumacher Skittles **WINDOW COVERING FABRIC** in Blueberry & Sky, Billbrough & Co.; **WINDOW COVERING SEWING**, Wesley Seto Design; **QUILT, CRIB SHEETS, WALL SHELVES**, navy canvas **STORAGE BUCKET**, Pottery Barn Kids; **CRIB SKIRTS**, Serena & Lily; **RUG, STORAGE BASKETS** (in dresser), The Land of Nod; watercolour animal **PRINTS**, Mary's Flower Garden; custom **FRAMING**, Pi Fine Art; **LUMBAR CUSHION FABRIC**, Designer Fabrics; **MOBILE**, Needlenerd; wooden Hebrew **BLOCKS**, L'il Niblets; deer, giraffe (on dresser) and zebra **PLUSH TOYS**, Advice From a Caterpillar; orange **TOY CAR**, Elte.



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## decorating advice

*“Be playful but practical. Try to inject some imagination but, at the same time, if something isn’t functioning the best it can for you and your babies, it’s not worth it.”*

**DOUBLE-DIPPING** The budget Jessica had for decorating the nursery took a huge hit when she found out twins were on the way. She saved money by confining the wallpaper to one surface and creating inexpensive art with prints purchased from Etsy. “This allowed me to invest in worthwhile custom blackout drapery and a swivel glider that can be used somewhere else in the future,” she explains. Jessica inherited the stunning antique chandelier from her late grandmother.

The wall-mounted shelves provide a rotating display of favourite titles.

