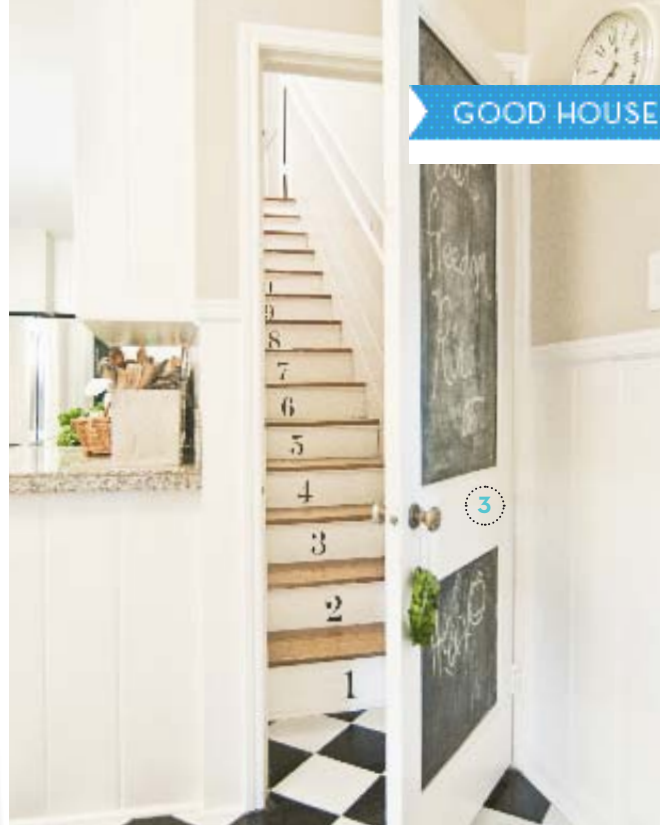


“My white plate collection mixes IKEA and Wedgwood pieces”



House Proud

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NAME: HOLLY MATHIS, 37

OCCUPATION: MOM, BLOGGER, DESIGNER

LOCATION: HEMPSTEAD, TX

1 SHADES OF GRAY

“We’ve lived here for 12 years, and I’ve had my weathered dining table since college, but I made the room feel new by painting the walls and pine hutch different gray hues,” says Holly, who blogs at hollymathisinteriors.com.

2 RECYCLED CHIC

Salvaged dark green shutters cover the heater and AC unit (the room was once the garage of Holly’s 1940s house). The wreath, an Etsy find, is made from old book pages.

3 THE COUNTDOWN

To add a graphic (and educational) touch to the

stairwell leading to her sons’ playroom, Holly applied number decals to the risers, then used chalkboard paint on the door. “Henry, my 3-year-old, loves to draw on the bottom panel,” she says.



“MY SECRET WEAPON”

Holly uses fabric to add color to her home’s neutral backdrop. She punctuates each room with one of her favorites—large-scale florals, natural linens, and toiles—on curtains and pillows.