

A Living Room for Grown-Ups

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physicians with four children, the owners of this Wellesley Colonial "have a busy household," says Jessica Dormitzer, a Wellesley-based interior designer. The small living room, however, manages to be removed from the fray—most of the time. Located off the main foyer, it has a contemporary black, white, and silvery gray scheme, yet feels refined, too, with furnishings selected to complement the traditional moldings and wainscoting. It's a place where the parents can entertain, but when the children find their way into the room, it's not a problem. "We made sure everything was kid-friendly," says Dormitzer.

"The room's few pieces of furniture have clean and simple lines," says interior designer Jessica Dormitzer, "but depth is created in a lot of little ways, which gives the space a balanced feel."



1> THE OFF-WHITE SETTEE

from Ethan Allen has subtle stripes in the same hue. The upholstery, a cotton blend, is durable.

2> BLACK DRAPES

made of fabric from the textile company Romo feature a pattern with a silver sheen. The painted wood curtain rods are small in scale. "When ceilings are high, I prefer a sleek rod," says Dormitzer.

3 > AN ACRYLIC PAINTING

on birch plywood by Rose Olson "has a great gradation of texture and color that adds pop to the room," says Dormitzer.

4 > CHAIRS FROM ETHAN ALLEN

are upholstered in one of the manufacturer's specialty fabrics: a black velvet pattern on a white polyester-blend background.

5 > MERCURY-GLASS VASES

combined with a mercuryglass table lamp and a large vessel on the mantel "create curvy shapes and work in concert," says Dormitzer. "The eye travels from one to the next."

6 > THE STRIPED WOOL AREA RUG ties the room together while

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7 > IN THE FOYER.

the homeowners' existing black Avery Bombe chest from Crate & Barrel works perfectly with the new color scheme.

8 > THE WOOL STAIR RUNNER

has a regal feel. Bought at Landry & Arcari, it's punctuated with beige medallions against a graygreen backdrop.

9> THE COLE & SON WALLPAPER

has white stripes with a pearlescent finish that glimmers when the light catches it.

10 > THE GREEK KEY-MOTIF MIRROR

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