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There was a time where interior design was for those in the business or were able to afford to buy iconic furnishing or hire someone. This book opened my eyes beyond those barriers - you can decorate your home, particularly small apts in NYC. You don't have to spend a lot of money, it does not have to be matchy-matchy or just one note style. This book educated me on how to bring what you have together, how to develop your own style, how to recognize iconic pieces, how to work a room. This book is for novices. Since buying this book, I found similar genre, which I have out-grown, but still come back to this book for reference, and it is a great source of ideas. The binding and photo quality are very, very good.

Whether you inhabit a studio or a sprawling house with one challenging space, Maxwell Gillingham-Ryan, co-founder of the most popular interior design website, Apartment Therapy, will help you transform tiny into totally fabulous. According to Maxwell, size constraints can actually unlock your design creativity and allow you to focus on what's essential. In this vibrant book, he shares forty small, cool spaces that will change your thinking forever. These apartments and houses demonstrate hundreds of inventive solutions for creating more space in your home, and for making it more comfortable. Leading us through entrances, living rooms, kitchens and dining rooms, bedrooms, home offices, and kids rooms, Apartment Therapy's Big Book of Small, Cool Spaces is brimming with ingenious tips and ideas, such as: Shifting the sense of scale through contrasting colors Adding airiness by using transparent collections Utilizing the area under a loft bed for a kitchen and mini-bar Tucking an office with chic vintage doors into an unused bedroom corner In each dwelling Maxwell points out what makes the layout work and what adds style. Most of the therapy involves minor tweaks that can be accomplished on a limited budget, such as dividing a room with sheer curtains, turning a door into a desk, or disguising electrical boxes with art displays. An extensive resource guide, including Maxwell's favorite websites for buying desks, open storage solutions, and much more, will help you turn even the tiniest residence into a place you are always happy to come home to.

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Part interior designer, part life coach, MAXWELL GILLINGHAM-RYAN is the cofounder of the Apartment Therapy blog network which gets 3 million unique visitors per month. Frequently quoted in the shelter and mainstream press, Maxwell has been called a Makeover Guru by the New York Times. He is the author of Apartment Therapy and Apartment Therapy Presents.