

get the revenge look



If the gorgeous homes and interior design features of the hit series *Revenge* make you long for the Long Island lifestyle, then Veranda's **Sandy Harvey** has ideas about how to transform your home and get the look of Emily Thorne's beachside mansion

REVENGE IS SET in the exclusive US island enclave of The Hamptons, and as such, the set design reflects the specific look of the area. From our point of view here at Veranda, the demand for the Hamptons style never dates and continues to grow in demand at an increasing rate.

We're lucky too that the Hamptons

style suits our WA lifestyle perfectly, with its timeless good looks, classic furnishings, and the chance to invest in furniture pieces which will stay within the family for years.

Classic pieces will always be an asset because each item will enhance and anchor a room.

Our WA homes, with their generous proportions, seaviews and big windows can reflect all the elements you'll see on *Revenge*, whether the dwelling is a smaller, city-centre home with carefully chosen furnishings or a sprawling Hamptons-style mansion filled with ocean driftwood-inspired colours and lots of light.

If you want to create a look like Emily's home, then think much loved furnishings such as large oak dining tables, side boards, inviting comfy upholstered chairs, lots of

cushions, candles, books and flowers.

Key pieces can act as a focal point or mould into a much loved room. Pick a combination of timbers, driftwood like colours, a combination of textures and lots of washed colours with a definite burst of colour here and there.

Blue is a key part of the colour palate in the Hamptons style reflecting the area's proximity to the ever-changing sea.

Items such as little iron tables and bakers' stands, cane wear along with beautiful mirrors with the timber or gilt frames compliment the style.

Depending on personal choice this style can be over-the-top or toned down to a more 'tailored' look.

A gorgeous big solid dining table in maybe oak or elm will always be the centre piece for all your celebrations shared with family and friends and of course everyday living is a must in creating this style. Above all, the Hamptons style is eminently liveable - it's designed to be comfortable, adaptable and not precious. It's the kind of decor which suits family living, with its emphasis on older, family heirloom items matched with



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carefully curated new pieces.

Always buy the largest table that you can to suit the area you have as it will stand you in good stead for years to come.

Chairs don't need to match but can be formal, wingback carver chairs placed in a stately fashion at the ends with less formal chairs flanking the sides.

Bentwood-style with rattan seats suits both styles. Choose linen because of its easygoing yet luxurious look coupled with an inviting texture; you'll find it fits in easily with most furnishing choices.

Washed grey, chunky cane chairs feature both indoors and in outdoor alfresco areas along with cane baskets holding anything

from outside fire side logs to household items like magazines and plants.

Another much-loved basic is a big comfy inviting linen sofa with occasional chairs, again which do not need to be the same design, but should go together. Invest in a large ottoman supporting generously proportioned trays and lots of books, and if budget allows, consider installing a chandelier to add shimmer and romance.

Other oak, elm or white painted furniture pieces, cushions, candles, hanging dome lights, table and floor lamps, hurricanes and candelabras are also great additions to ensure that for your family at least, *Revenge* is sweet. **PL**



KEY REVENGE DESIGN MUST-HAVES

Interior walls are often plain white with just a hint of softness to them. Adding subtle panelled detailing to an otherwise plain room gives it so much more style and interest.

Timber floors throughout are all part of the look, either in a very dark chocolate brown or pale and bleached.

Add natural rugs such as sisal, jute or light coloured carpets for softness under foot.

Linen upholstery is a popular Hamptons pick, it always looks great. Slipcovers in pure linen or perhaps white cotton drill are easy on the eye and cool on hot summer days. Accessorising is easy with soft scatter in pillows with toning colours.

Wicker or cane furniture is popular too. The key to this look is high end and sophisticated.

Choose smart occasional tables along with a comfy chair with cushion. Keep wicker natural or consider painting in pastels such as soft blues and greens or stain dark brown, almost black for a dramatic contrast to white walls.

A variety of lamps adds subtle ambience to a room. Look for medium to tall sized bases in ceramic or wood and choose shades in natural fabrics such as linen, cotton or silk. For overhead lighting consider pendant lighting over tables and island benches as well as to illuminate key areas of your home.

Keep this look fresh and interesting by mixing old with new. Go antiquing for a few rustic items and mix with new timber dining chairs paired with a new plain oak table. Retro kitchen canisters, old shop signs and bottles add charm and fun while contemporary art, lamps and furniture pieces keep things very young and very now.

Include a few natural items such as driftwood and shells and display them in glass jars throughout the house.