

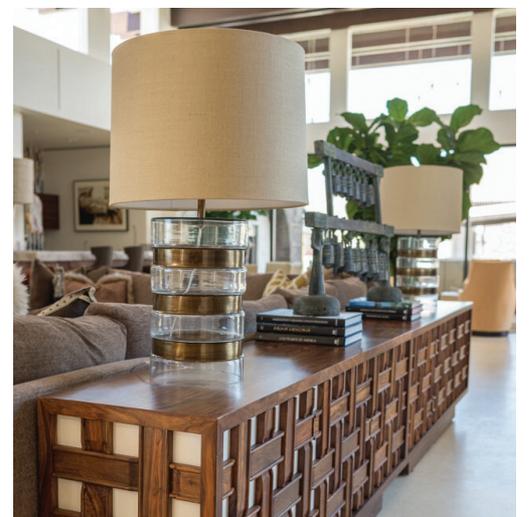
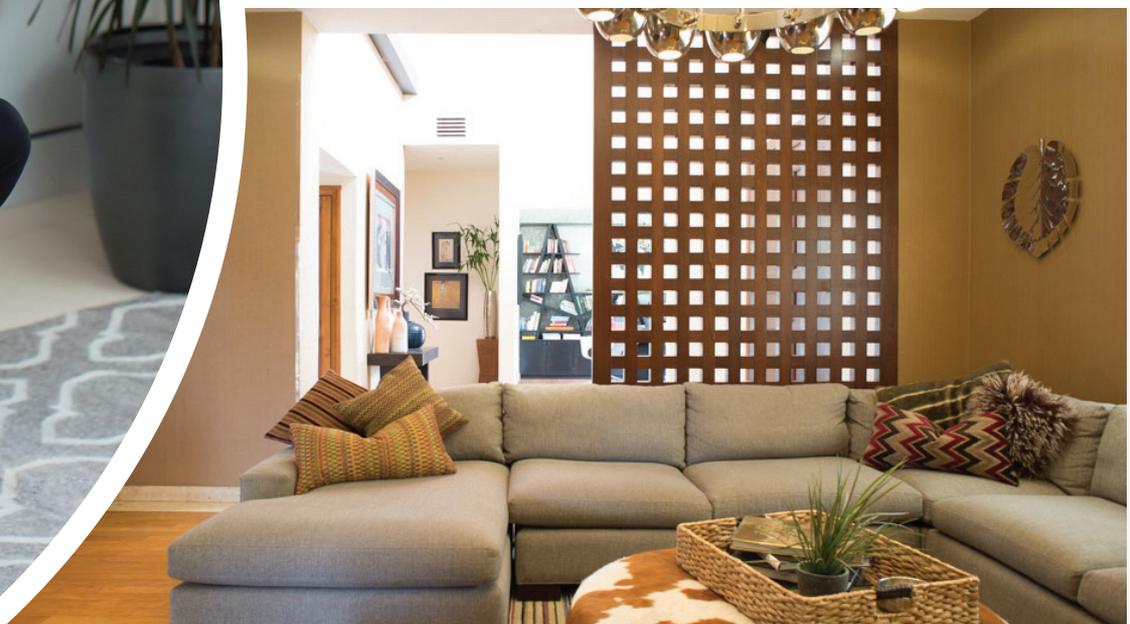
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# MARIANA POSTLETHWAITE



Mariana Postlethwaite realized she had a passion for art at age 13, diving head first into creative activities such as drawing, painting and ceramics. Since her father was an engineer and owned a construction company, she decided to study architecture before adding interior design to her repertoire. She went on to found the Baja-based interior design firm/showroom Casa Duhagón nine years ago, completing high-end eclectic and bohemian-style residential projects in Ensenada, Valle de Guadalupe, San Diego, Mexicali and Tijuana before branching out internationally five years ago. Most recently, Casa Duhagón entered into the commercial design arena in the U.S. “Commercial definitely gives you a broader approach to your creativity,” says Postlethwaite. “The client always wants a wow factor to brand their restaurant, vineyard, hotel or corporate offices.” Going forward, she adds, look for the firm to follow its residential lead with a global reach for its commercial work as well.

Named as one of the top ten places to visit in Tijuana on the famous street Avenida Revolución, Casa Duhagón is a full-service interior design firm and shop, selling locally hand-woven pillows, fringed purses in color fabric made by the indigenous Otomi people, and cowhide patchwork rugs.



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