

French Styled Homes

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Back in the November issue of 2009, *Canadian House and Home* featured the French styled Montreal home of Luce Gayrard. Gayrard, a Canadian lawyer, has refined taste collecting French styled furniture, and a unique way of pairing antiques with raw materials such as metal and leather. In this home you will see natural colors such as wood tables, mixed with upholstered French chairs with leather, and a pop of red for interest.



The pictures below are of both homes; the loft and the country home. Lovely velvets circulate the room, giving a cozy feeling amongst the collected antiques. A pair of 4 Louis XV styled chairs pair nicely with creamy French Provence style cabinetry. The living room features off white contemporary sofas, and stunning gilt side tables accented with marble. Classic French patterns such as toile grace the home.

Pictures gathered from [Canadian House and Home](#), [Habitually Chic](#) . Get some ideas from this upscale french style.





In this end of the living area, unadorned white walls, light-stained hardwood floors and a neutral rug create contrast with the antiques. The coromandel screen, black leather ottoman and black pedestal are in with the clean black window frames. Sculptural displays — a gilt and crystal chandelier and porcelain urn — give the room a regal feel. Screen, Pitt Music rug, Collage Tapix











An oil painting set casually atop a marble-topped bureau tones down the formality of the fine antiques and creates a layered look.

Coral, *Fleur de Juin*; **pillow**, *Flore*; **lamp**, Versace.

















In the dining room, pedimented
pieces are mixed with polished
touches, such as the framed
Quebec winter scene painted by
Luce's mother (at age 15) that's
given a place of honour above a
mid-18th-century Louis XVI console
table. Historic-coloured lamp
shades, bought for next to nothing
in Montreal, add to the
charmour of the Louis XVI
dining chairs by famed decorator
Jean-François Lespinois (he redecorated
the White House for the Kennedy
administration). Clear fabric, C&M
tablets, pedestal on platinum base,
Herc Campagne, bedspread
on tablecloth, Le Revon

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