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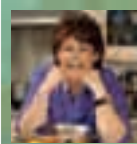
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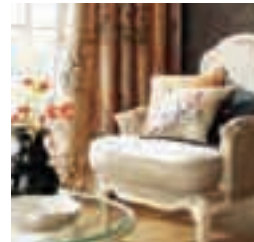


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Sources of traditional inspiration for creating the perfect garden to complement your home.

Expert Advice
Specialist information from our team of professionals on restoring and caring for your period house.

Welcome

to the April issue...

Well, spring is finally here and what a difference it makes to have longer days and more sunshine... Of course, the new season means it's time for that proverbial spring clean. "Oh no," I hear you groan, but even if you don't fancy housework, there's a great sense of renewal at this time of year, which makes decorating your home and starting to tend your summer garden an absolute pleasure.

In this issue we have lots of inspirational ideas for spring – not least, some delicious recipes to try for Easter and a guide to getting your lawn pristine in time for afternoon tea and croquet!

We explore a 16th Century tower in the Scottish Borders, left to rack and ruin before it was restored to a romantic hideaway by its dedicated owner. A Georgian townhouse in Notting Hill demonstrates how you can achieve the perfect balance between period features and contemporary style – with a splash of glamorous exuberance – and one of our writers visits a converted wool barn in Warwickshire whose beautifully-restored interior is positively stuffed with antiques.

As usual, our experts are all on hand to offer some springtime advice, whether you want to make your house more environmentally-friendly (we don't want April warming up too quickly!) or simply need to know about caring for your period doors and windowsills.

Just remember though, whatever you're planning to do to your home this month, do it with a spring in your step!

Happy reading,

George Player, Editor



return to features



HIPPY HIDEAWAY TRANSFORMED TO SLEEK CITY PAD ARTS AND CRAFTS MANOR EXPLORED
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