

A Nursery You'll Go Ga-Ga For

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Homeowners often have a specific vision when it comes to the interior décor of their homes, and this idyllic nursery is no exception to that rule. The designer, Ami Austin of Ami Austin Interior Design, was given one request in regard to the color palette of this nursery: "pink, pink and lots of pink."

With this request in mind, Austin then determined that "baby glam" would be most appropriate for the overall feel of the room. "Her parents are such beautiful people, their home is fabulous, and they are very conscious of style," Austin says. "It made sense that this precious baby should fit right into her designer world."

After these crucial elements of design have been determined, Austin often finds it most helpful to focus on one standout piece of furniture and go from there. "I look for an inspiration piece that we can design the room around," Austin says.

For this room, an elegant armoire from Mango Street Baby was the perfect fit to cohesively join the glamorous vibe that Austin desired with her dedication to providing a functional space for expecting parents. Versatile elements that can be utilized as the child's age necessitates are a great way to avoid constant redesign and save money in the long term.



"The room can be beautiful, but if you are not comfortable living in the room, it makes no sense," Austin says. "Additionally, this room style and décor accommodate a plan to grow with the baby as she grows."

And while a look towards the future is practical and cost-effective, few expecting parents can resist spoiling their child in the now with cuddly accents fitting for a precious newborn. Adorable lambs and bears flank cozy furniture and are nestled throughout the room. As expected, the crib seamlessly incorporates the crucial element of pink, with pink bedding designed exclusively by Mango Street Baby's in-house designer.

Finally, Austin adds a chandelier and sparking mirror to solidify the elegant mood of this room. In addition to experimenting with all the fabulous elements of design, Austin insists that designing a nursery carries and added perk along with it.

"I think every mom and dad want the best for their children," Austin says. "The enthusiasm they share is contagious. Most parents have a vision of what they have seen or have always wanted when they were growing up. I just take it from there."