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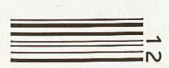
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Greg Natale

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Embracing the elegance of a bygone era, this Sydney living room is "quiet and beautiful", says interior designer Greg Natale. Many of the home's original features from the 1940s have been retained, and augmented with contemporary pieces to bring it up to date. A painting by Susan O'Doherty was the launching point for the decor. "I loved its retro colours," says Greg, "and I've picked up the green for its vibrancy and its ties to nature."

The hue is repeated in the curtains, made with a taffeta from South Pacific Fabrics, and in the rug, which was created by Designer Rugs based on a design by Greg. Mid-20th century furniture, such as the Knoll Platner coffee table in the centre of the room, sits harmoniously alongside antiques and reproduction Louis chairs. ▶

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