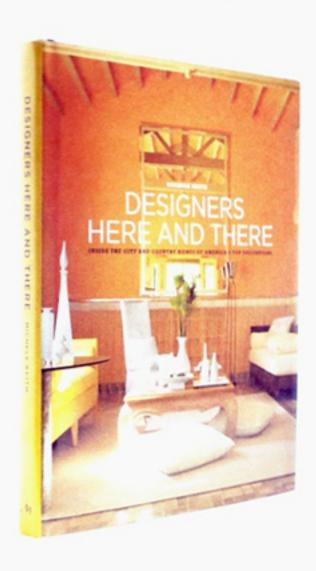
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If reading interior-design coffee-table books is a crime, we plead guilty. But can you blame us? We just couldn't put down Designers Here and There: Inside the City and Country Homes of America's Top Decorators (Monacelli Press, \$50). Author Michele Keith visited 19 of the country's leading interior-decor gurus, and the lavish photographs reveal how they decorate the spaces where they live and play. The juxtapositions are fascinating. We love how Molly Luetkemeyer covers her Los Angeles home with brilliantly colored mismatched prints and patterns, while her Montecito cabin is awash in soft neutral shades and rustic wood accents. The Newport Beach abode of Barclay Butera is nonstop chinoiserie and toile, while his Park City, Utah, mountain retreat is full-on Western chic with leather pillows and mounted horns. Another favorite feature of this book: two pages of design tips from the profiled designers. Find the book at major booksellers.