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CURIOUSER AND CURIOUSER! NEW YORK CITY (THIS PAGE)

LUCKY INHABITANTS: Madeline and Linus **AGES:** 4 and 6 **DESIGNER:** John Derian **THE STORY:** In this brother-sister room, Derian—who owns John Derian Company, a housewares store in New York—subtly delineated the space by using soft versions of boy-girl colors in the bedding. At the same time, he kept the look cohesive (and gender-neutral) with curiosity-cabinet details and daydream-inspiring artwork. “The story behind each wall drawing is in the eye of the beholder,” he says.

RUG Clover runner, \$1,350, judyrosstextiles.com. **QUILTS** Rilli, from \$950 each, Soof, thisisauto.com. **ART** Prints, from \$425 each, Hugo Guinness, and **ALL OTHER FURNISHINGS AND TOYS** (similar to those shown), John Derian Company, (212) 677-3917.

WALLS THAT TALK BROOKLYN (OPPOSITE)

LUCKY INHABITANT: Violet **AGE:** 10 **DESIGNER:** Eliza Gran (Mom) **THE STORY:** “I wanted to give Violet a room that combined my love of pattern with her creativity,” says Gran, founder of an eponymous line of children’s clothing. The chalkboard allows the young artist to change her whole room with her mood. And when a child’s chalk drawings are as stunning as wallpaper (they even play off the bedding nicely), you know you’ve hit upon something special.

CHALKBOARD PAINT \$5 for 12 ounces, Krylon, dickblick.com. **BED** Jenny Lind twin, \$499, landofnod.com. **QUILT** Etruscan red twin (similar to the one shown), \$250, johnrobshaw.com. **STOOLS** Handmade, price upon request, JJ Veronis, (631) 604-2007.