



SPECTACULAR HOMES
of Florida



RodMickley

ROD MICKLEY INTERIORS



A Floridian by way of Pennsylvania, Rod Mickley graduated from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh and took a job gaining insight and experience with local interior designer. Eventually a fortuitous opportunity would present itself. Sent to complete a residential project for one of the firm's clients in Vero Beach, Rod says, "I just never went back."

Rod's unintended move to Florida was in 1978. He then spent eight years working in Miami, but Miami wasn't his final destination. In 1986, he, his wife and children headed back to Vero Beach, where he's been wowing clients ever since.

Rod Mickley Interiors has been in business for 20 years, progressively growing "since day one," says the firm's owner. "I'd say in the past 10 years, my business has really been booming."

Rod is supported by a staff of five, two of whom run his on-site, 6,000-square-foot showroom which carries upholstered pieces from well-known United States manufacturers. While there, clients and future

LEFT
The slip covered upholstery mixed with antique Asian and Indian furniture gives the room a sense of causal sophistication.
Photograph by Ted Yarwood

ABOVE
An antique Russian Aubousson area rug and Colonial four poster bed set the stage for the master bedroom.
Photograph by Ted Yarwood



Q&A

more about rod...

WHAT ELEMENT OF STYLE OR PHILOSOPHY HAVE YOU STUCK WITH FOR YEARS THAT STILL WORKS FOR YOU TODAY?

I try to get a complete understanding of a client's taste and comfort level before the first order is placed.

WHAT IS THE MOST UNUSUAL OR EXPENSIVE DESIGN OR TECHNIQUE YOU'VE USED IN ONE OF YOUR PROJECTS?

12" x 12" panels of chocolate-brown ostrich leather applied to walls in a bar.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT DOING BUSINESS IN YOUR LOCALE?

People are typically very relaxed. This is a vacation for most clients.

WHAT COLOR BEST DESCRIBES YOU AND WHY?

White, because of its crisp, pure quality.

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The hallmark of Rod's work is originality, and he enjoys introducing unusual items into each room because he believes they reward the eye. Not one to limit himself to one defining look, he feels any style is fun to work with when done in good taste. Rod enjoys design and accessories pared down, not overly done, keeping them clean and simple, and personally he favors contemporary décor with accents of African or Indonesian objects.

While "99 percent" of the firm's projects are residential, they do take the occasional commercial commission, and they've worked on projects not only in Florida but also in Aspen, Nantucket, Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia. This talented designer enjoys working in Vero Beach because of its small-town feel and sense of community. The next project is always right around the corner because as Rod notes, "In such a small town, good news travels fast."

Rod Mickley Interiors' work has been featured in local, regional and national magazines including *Luxury Florida Homes*, *Canadian House & Home*, *Southern Living* and *Florida Design*.



TOP LEFT

Antique terracotta floors and an unusual Irish sideboard with an eagle carved back are the highlights in this entry foyer.
Photograph by Ted Yarwood

BOTTOM LEFT

The whimsical Bob Christian painted walls are the back drop for the understated dining area.
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FACING PAGE LEFT

Sunlight living room with coarse sisal rug and ice blue walls accented with a tropical motif fabric and a punch of red.
Photograph by Ted Yarwood

FACING PAGE RIGHT

The blue and white stripe rug, Portuguese painted tile mural and African table give this room a very eclectic look.
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