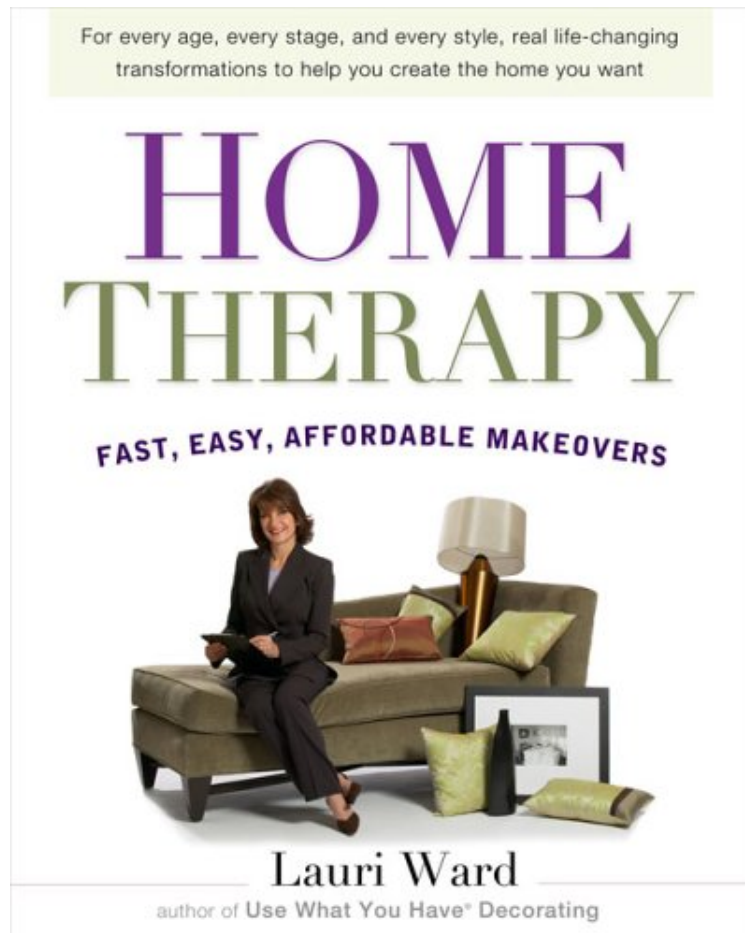


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Architecture trumps sofa placementBy RhFactorThe reviewers are spot on. The pictures are frustrating to follow and the advice,although stated generally, is too specific to apply. For instance the author states improper furniture arrangement is a common mistake. The solution, though, varies by client. In one the bookcases are helpful. In another bookcases are taken away. I moved to a much smaller rental so paint and remodeling are not an option. Most decor books focus on big changes. I had hoped this book would help.Instead, I found myself attracted to the solutions where the homeowner had great architectural design and bored when the rooms themselves were boring. Badly placed windows or narrow spaces were not significantly improved. One example showcased taking old sheets off furniture. The homeowner had cats and covered everything. I only hope she didn't charge much for the small arranging and sheet displacement. I learned that my dissatisfaction with my spaces comes from boring walls and architecture, not from moving my furniture, arranging accessories, or improper lighting.Rent or

buy a good space and save your money on this book.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fun and informative book.By J. ReuterI enjoyed seeing her solutions to the many different spaces, and the photography is much improved from her previous book.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fun bookBy Christy 4 Home StylingI am a redesigner and have enjoyed Lauri Ward's previous book "Use what you have decorating". I enjoyed the style of writing as well as the descriptive writing. I find it so interesting to see how someone else would decorate a space with what someone already has. Very enjoyable and educational.

Lauri Ward has been a "home therapist" to thousands through her books, articles, and media appearances for more than two decades. This inspiring guide takes readers into the real homes and lives of 25 of Lauri's clients to show a wide range of decorating challenges and the solutions that Lauri offered to meet their needs and expectations. Illustrated with more than 150 full-color and black-and-white before-and-after photos and floor plans, Home Therapy offers help in transforming living spaces for everyone from twenty-somethings to retirees, using the space and things they already have - and a budget they can afford.

From Publishers WeeklyIn this straightforward, practical guide to redecorating, Ward, founder of the interiors firm Use-What-You-Have, Inc., and author of Use What You Have Decorating, uses engaging real-life stories of home makeovers to demonstrate how to work with one's existing furniture, space and accessories to create great spaces. Diagrams, before and after photos, and bulleted lists that call out common decorating mistakes help to illustrate her points clearly and give readers a peek inside other peoples' homes, appealing to the voyeur in everyone. Each chapter addresses a different decorating conundrum: moving to a smaller space, moving to a much larger space, dealing with an overstuffed home, childproofing, preparing to sell a home and introduces the clients, their complaints, the diagnosis, the remedy and long-term recommendations. Descriptions of clients ("a leggy blonde with a huge, bright smile"; "a tall, slim man with boyish good looks") feel forced, but suggest the reality of the solutions described. (Oct. 3) Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.From BooklistThe design recycling movement has many names, including staging, interior refining, and using what you have. Ward, one of its major proponents, offers her ideas for the third time. Rather than expounding on color, design, and arrangement principles, she instead concentrates on 25 clients and their before, after, and longer-term solutions. Each represents a life event of some sort, whether it's a coast-to-coast move, a new career, the addition of pets, or the arrival of a baby. Challenges are introduced first, usually in the voice of the client; then they're shown in diagrams and photographs, with solutions revealed in the same manner. Most decorating issues can be summarized into a list of 10, including poor furniture placement, ineffective use of accessories, and incorrect lighting, among others. The [design] doctor is in. Barbara Jacobs Copyright American Library Association. All rights reservedAbout the AuthorLauri Ward, the author of Use What You Have Decorating, is the founder of Use-What-You-Have Interiors and the Interior Refiners Network. She has appeared frequently on television, including The Oprah Winfrey Show, CBS Evening News, ABC-TV News, and programs on Fox, Lifetime, HGTV, and CNBC. She has been featured in The New York Times, House Beautiful, Ladies Home Journal, and other newspapers and magazines. She lives in New York City.