

# The Curious House

After 10 years in the music business, Joanne Burgess' interior design and sourcing house is well-prepared to offer the ultimate sourcing service



**The Curious House is an interior design and sourcing house concentrating on historic houses and their decor, and specialising in reclaimed items.**

The Curious House was set up by Joanne Burgess after renovating a 16th century barn with a Georgian frontage. She set about sourcing historic materials, cobbled floors and reclaimed timber to complement the frame of the existing building, whilst transforming it into a modern living space. Earthenware toilets were matched with Georgian cisterns, copper baths were matched with brass radiators whilst a freestanding kitchen was set upon reclaimed roof tiles. The result is a mixture of styles that blend sympathetically, creating a beautiful and interesting living space. For Joanne, years of 'collecting' made the project an absolute joy so the natural progression into sourcing and designing for others was an easy transition. Attention to detail is one of Joanne's obsessions, and an

instinctual ability to source and combine products gives The Curious House its unique, yet incredibly contemporary, edge.

The design and sourcing house can re-envisage a space and template, creating a free-standing, reclaimed kitchen or a bespoke reclaimed bathroom, integrating modern life with historic pieces.

Its design ethos is quite simple: character houses with unique fixtures, fittings and furniture, marrying an array of period pieces with contemporary luxury and charm. The Curious House takes the best from a myriad of eras and fits them around contemporary living with modern materials.

Joanne specialises in bold fabrics after practising upholstery for the past four years. French chaise-longues are covered in Josef Frank prints and turn of the era chairs covered in St Judes fabrics. Joanne's colourful background of 10 years in the music industry helped forge her design ethos. Travelling the world, working with a myriad of

successful artists, helped her cultivate an individual style, which can be observed in her projects. Her eye for the unique and bold creates personalised interiors to the backdrop of period settings. The Curious House specialises in a whole project ethos, but is also more than happy to help source single items. The Curious House specialises in sourcing period furniture, fabric matching and reupholstering, and adding a unique trim, button or tie.



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