

Speaking of Lighting

A designer points out her chosen sconces, fixtures and chandeliers

BASED IN LA CAÑADA, CALIF, COURTNEYTHOMAS of Courtney Thomas Design is known for creating family-friendly homes that are both practical



and luxurious. Her taste comes from the combination of a prestigious education at Parson's School of Design in New York City and her experience as a mother of four – all under the age of 12. Thomas talked with KBB about one of the most vital parts of any home – particularly one with a busy family – lighting.

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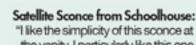
Savona Light from Hudson Valley Lighting: "We've used this over a stainless-steel skirted tub before. With its linen shade, glass-bottom diffuser and metal frame, it works well in a bathroom but would work equally well with a second one over an island."



Square 4-Light Glass Lantern by Regina
Andrew Design from Horchow: "We used these
cage lights from Horchow over a kitchen island
before the Darlana by Visual Comfort became
the go-to cage light. The flared shape of this
fixture is a twist on the Darlana, and it's the
perfect drop-down light fixture over a breakfast
table or as an entry light."



Tilden Small Flush Mount from Circa Lighting: "We've used several clover-shaped flush-mount lights in powder rooms. They are a playful addition in small spaces, and this is one of my favorites. It has an Art Deco casing detail that I love. This would also be fun repeated along the ceiling of a long hallway."



the vanity. I particularly like this one because it is available with glass and metal shades, which are easier to maintain than fabric in wet areas."



Eastmoreland Single Sconce from Rejuvenation: "This wall fixture has so many possible configurations, including as a pendant light, swing arm or double arm. The single sconce is the perfect vanity sconce with a generous 100-watt capacity. Beyond the bathroom, this sconce can be infinitely useful: in the front entry, over a kitchen sink or floating shelves or on either side of a window seat."



Vintage Nautical Pendant from Restoration Hardware:
"We have been loving the look of dome-shaped lighting
and have been sourcing lots of these pieces for
kitchens specifically. Depending on the finish, dome
size and detail, these lights can cross from moody
lounge to classic kitchen accent. This one – inspired
by a vintage ship's light – I have had my eye on."