

# HOW TO STYLE A COFFEE TABLE

*It should be both functional and pretty, giving your room a point of circulation but also providing a landing pad for necessities. So how do you make a coffee table work for you? First, consider how you use it. Is it a workhorse for remotes, a place to hold drinks as you entertain or somewhere to put your feet up? Check out these two options, designed for us by Bryan Sillery of HW Home.*



## Go traditional

Top a wooden table with a few well-loved possessions that reflect the homeowners. At least two-thirds of the table should be visible, Sillery says—when in doubt, remove one object. Add a tray or box to store remotes and coasters and prevent “coffee table pollution.” Finally, consider including greenery, whether fresh-cut roses or planted succulents; organics instantly create a sense of peace and welcome.

## Get the look

1. The **Contra cocktail table**, made of grisar wood with brass legs, is a statement piece in itself. \$2,250.
2. Sillery topped a **Dakota Camel bone tray**, \$425, with an assortment of books chosen for both their content and their warm, pinkish hues. Sitting atop the books are a glass orb and a shimmering **Carroll Boyes nut bowl**, \$55.
3. A **Rastro odd bowl**, \$255, filled with succulents, sits next to ceramic vessels of varying heights.
4. The **Lorraine sofa**, \$1,850, is topped with **Alene pillows**.

**MIX AND MATCH** THIS TRADITIONAL TABLE COMBINES METALLIC AND EARTHY TOUCHES.

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## Go bohemian

Traditional not your thing? Oversized ottomans work great to combat the fear of “Grandma’s living room.” They’re comfortable and double the seating if you have a full house of party guests. A large tray like this one works its magic to keep your collections together, offer a place to rest a beverage and snacks and add some stability to the upholstered top.

### Get the look

1. With its leather patchwork, this **Eros cocktail ottoman**, \$1,990, adds great texture to the room.
2. A **Toluca throw blanket**, \$165, draped over one corner doubles up on the cozy factor.
3. The book **“Biophilia”** by Christopher Marley, opened to a gorgeous spread of pages, is bound to be a conversation starter.
4. **Molten wall art**, \$135 each, manage to bring both metallics and earth tones to the space.
5. A columnar **Saint Etienne lamp**, \$495, atop a **Stewart side table**, \$1,150, complete the look.

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