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STATEMENT-MAKING WALLS

Wallpaper design is off the wall – there simply isn't any limitation as to what wallpaper can and cannot be. No longer content with merely providing subtle background decoration, this year's wallpapers are fearless statement-makers. Botanicals have overtaken florals as the latter's smarter, more assertive cousin, while illustrative designs shift from digital printing techniques to more hand-rendering and fine art details.



1 Go Home combines modern digital print technology and innovative materials to create visually arresting wall designs like **Fay**.
2 Kate Usher's hand-rendered **Turtle Turtle** adds a touch of whimsy.
3 Amy Butler designed a collection exclusively for **Graham & Brown** blooming with decorative botanical and floral motifs.

fine china

FORWARD-LOOKING CERAMICS

New ceramics designers quietly lead the way in challenging conventions and stereotypes. Even the traditional teacup and saucer set gets a rustic makeover with organic hand moulding and finishing techniques. Porcelain figurines are quirky and delicate, like little pieces of sculpture, while award-winning French ceramics design house Atelier Polyhedre distends its delicate tableware with crazy angles and humorous shapes.



1 Sena Gu from the Royal College of Art keeps things fresh with tongue-in-cheek creations in porcelain and gold lustre, as per her **Cockatoo Jug**.
2 The English Fine Bone China set from **Material Pleasures** restores quiet pleasure to the ritual of tea drinking with fine, hand-made bone china cups and saucers.
3 Atelier Polyhedre throws some unexpected shapes in ceramic tableware with the **Carafes Zag**.

