Bernie de le Cuona goes fantasy house hunting at Fabricproperty.com

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Having heard that she'd recently taken the flat above her London showroom to use as both a weekend residence and a public showcase of her new ranges, we couldn't think of a better partner for a spot of fantasy house hunting than luxury fabric expert Bernie de le Cuona, of worldwide home furnishing store de le Cuona. Here are Bernie's favourite picks from Fabricproperty.com

A HOUSE OF MY DREAMS...

NASH HOUSE, NW1

This house is a dream for one major reason: I have always been a fan of John Nash, and this house is understood to have been designed by him for his wife. The large spaces are wonderful for entertaining; it is simply a luxuriously grand property I would love to live in. In the huge drawing room I would use our rich velvets as curtain material to show off the windows. I would use classical designs such as paisleys and luxurious cashmeres to complement the elegance and add warmth to the home.

£11 million. Aston Chase (020 7724 4724; www.astonchase.com)

A HOME FOR ENTERTAINING

CHARLES STREET, W1

Why wouldn't you want to have people over if this was your home? Mayfair is an absolutely perfect area as it is close to wonderful shopping, stunning parks and great night life. The huge windows and architecture are two reasons I love this property, and the recent refurbishment has been tastefully done. I would soften the windows with something like our Spun Cloth fabric, which is light and airy. I love the roof terrace and would have barbecues and late alfresco summer dinners there. I would decorate it with some of our new black Shearling cushions to complement the classic modernity.

£16.5 million. Savills (020 7578 5111; www.savills.co.uk)

A HOME FOR INSPIRATION...

SOHO LOFTS, W1

You cannot live in Soho and not be inspired by its atmosphere – the buzz of various cultures and the mix of nations from all over the world come together in this thriving area. These lofts are everything Soho is – fun and unusual. I love the industrial lighting and the large spaces would be perfect for entertaining or throwing a party. I would decorate in bright colours using fabrics and accessories from our eclectic range.

£2 million. Winkworth (020 7240 3322; www.winkworth.co.uk)

A HOUSE FOR REFLECTION...

ADDISON ROAD, W14

Addison Road is one of my favourite streets. Away from the hustle and bustle, it is beautiful and serene; perfect for anyone looking to get lost with their thoughts. This particular property has been tastefully refurbished and has large, wide open spaces. The kitchen is very modern and contemporary – I feel like I could move in there now – I would decorate it with some of our more colourful, wackier fabrics such as our Silk Velvet cushions and our Ragamuffin throw.

£2.25 million. Hamptons (020 7937 9371; www.hamptons.co.uk)

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