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LIZ O'BRIEN

306 E. 61st St., nr. Second Ave.
212-755-3800; lizobrien.com
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Specializing in furniture, lighting, and textiles from the '30s through the '70s, this store offers European and American pieces by Samuel Marx, Gabriella Crespi, and Maison Jansen.

LOBEL MODERN

200 Lexington Ave., nr. 33rd St., Ste. 915
in the New York Design Center
212-242-9075; lobelmodern.com
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This design gallery trades in collectible mid-century furniture, lighting, and art from the '40s through the '80s. Most of the items were originally made-to-order pieces from furniture designer Karl Springer and Murano-glass designer Anzolo Fuga. Lobel also works with clients to refinish and reupholster tables and seating to match any décor.

LOST CITY ARTS

18 Cooper Sq., at 5th St.
212-375-0500; lostcityarts.com
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In this airy shop, browse restored and original mid-century Scandinavian and American furniture and fixtures—including works by George Nakashima—as well as Italian lighting.

LUCCA ANTIQUES

306 E. 61st St., nr. Second Ave., fourth fl.
in the Interior Design Building
212-343-9005; luccaantiques.com
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In search of a gilt mirror from the 1700s? You might find it at Lucca, which boasts an array of fine 18th- and 19th-century pieces as well as reproductions from the Lucca Studio in-house collection.

MACKLOWE GALLERY

667 Madison Ave., nr. 61st St.
212-644-6400; macklowegallery.com
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Rare museum-quality finds such as signed Tiffany lamps are the pride of this decorative-arts gallery, which also has Art Nouveau and French turn-of-the-century pieces.

MAISON GERARD

43 and 53 E. 10th St., nr. Broadway
212-674-7611; maisongerard.com
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Purveyors of French Art Deco pieces as well as exhibitors of 20th-century European art and furniture, Maison Gerard carries fine wood-, lacquer-, and bronzeware. Recently, it added a slew of pieces from contemporary designers to its collection.

MALLETT

929 Madison Ave., at 74th St.
212-249-8783; mallettantiques.com
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An antiques dealer since the mid-19th century, Mallett specializes in pieces from the 18th century and the Regency. They've supplied some of the most important private collections around the world, as well as those of the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

MANHATTAN ART & ANTIQUES CENTER

1050 Second Ave., at 56th St.
212-355-4400; the-maac.com
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This three-floor spot contains dozens of galleries of antiques from Europe, the Americas, Asia, and Africa. Some vendors offer repairs and restoration, too.

MANTIQUES MODERN

146 W. 22nd St., nr. Seventh Ave.

212-206-1494; mantiquesmodern.com
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Four thousand square feet brimming with industrial artifacts from the Machine Age to the mid-'80s and works by '50s French designers, chrome furniture, and one-offs like a giant Ighof clock shaped like a wrist-watch. The furniture is complemented by Depression-era art and Lucite-skull bookends.

MARTAYAN LAN

70 E. 55th St., nr. Park Ave., sixth fl.
212-308-0018; martayanlan.com
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Find antique maps of all shapes and sorts: atlases, globes, and individual sheets as well as rare books from the 15th through 19th centuries. For serious collectors with serious means.

METROPOLIS MODERN

200 Lexington Ave., nr. 33rd St., tenth fl.
in the New York Design Center
917-669-4540; metropolismodern.com
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This is a full-service antiques-furniture showroom: Not only will Metropolis Modern experts sell you a pair of vintage andirons, they will source the mid-century sofa of your dreams, rent you the perfect decorative vase for your film shoot, and even rewire your grandmother's lamp.

MODERN ANTHOLOGY

68 Jay St., nr. Water St., Dumbo
123 Smith St., nr. Pacific St., Boerum Hill
718-522-3020; modernanthology.com
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The manly vibe here is "fewer beer kegs, more Scotch," say owners John Marsala and Becca Citron. That ethos translates to tufted leather sofas, vintage wood-and-wrought-iron worktables, and antique globes.

MODERNLINK

35 Bond St., nr. Lafayette St.
212-254-1300; modernlink.com
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Danish vintage pieces make up about 90 percent of the stock here, but you will also find Pandul lighting and contemporary furniture by Bensen.

MODERN LIVING SUPPLIES

200 Lexington Ave., nr. 33rd St., Ste. 408
in the New York Design Center
646-373-1579; modernlivingsupplies.com
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Mark Naylon's shop stocks high-quality wares from the '50s through the '70s, as well as examples of his original bench-made pieces. The company also has a workshop in Brooklyn for restoration, repairs, and custom jobs.

MODEST DESIGNS

200 Lexington Ave., nr. 33rd St., tenth fl.
in the New York Design Center
44 Dobbins St., nr. Nassau Ave., Greenpoint
718-384-2799; modestdesigns.net
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Despite its name, Modest Designs is anything but: Display pieces from the collection of mid-century-modern finds can be decidedly over the top. Look for superb offerings such as Arne Bang ceramics, a Gabriella Crespi center table, or a rare Art Deco dresser by Gilbert Rohde.

NELSON & NELSON ANTIQUES

1050 Second Ave., nr. 56th St., Ste. 58
in the Manhattan Arts & Antiques Center
646-863-5416; nelsonandnelsonantiques.com
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This chichi boutique carries sterling-silver candlesticks, jewelry, tea sets, flatware, picture frames, and centerpieces. You'll also find cut crystal, enamels, and signed jewelry pieces by Cartier.

OUT OF TOWN

AVANTGARDEN

87 Westchester Ave.,
nr. Lower Trinity Pass Rd.,
Pound Ridge, N.Y.
914-764-0010; avantgardenltd.com
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This renovated '50s gas station is a source for charming vintage lighting and furniture with a vibe that's both organic and contemporary. The owners have a line of bespoke furniture and lighting as well.

BEALL & BELL

430 Main St., nr. Central Ave.,
Greenport, N.Y.
631-477-8239; beallandbell.com; \$\$\$
A quiet little antiques shop that entices Hamptonites over to the North Fork, Beall & Bell has everything you need to furnish a beach cottage in a rustic but modern style. New finds come in every Thursday; get there early to beat the decorators.

DOVECOTE

56 Post Rd. E., nr. Church Ln.,
Westport, Conn.; 203-222-7500;
dovecote-westport.com; \$\$\$
A chic source for stylish antiques for every corner of the home that are never fussy and always fun, from chandeliers and rugs to vases.

EARLE D. VANDEKAR
OF KNIGHTSBRIDGE INC. Ⓞ
65 McKinley Ave.,
White Plains, N.Y.

212-308-2022; vandekar.com; \$\$\$\$
Furniture is just one of this store's specialties—the others being engravings, woolworks, portrait miniatures, and 20th-century ceramics.

MCKERLAIN ANTIQUES

456 Springfield Ave., nr. Woodland Ave.,
Summit, N.J.; 908-598-7300;
mckerlainantiques.com; \$\$\$
The inventory here tends toward the ornate and elegant, with an extensive mix of pieces from Europe and Asia. Lighting is a particular specialty: Crystal and Empire-style chandeliers and grape-cluster lamps from Italian restaurants of old are prominently featured.

PRIVET HOUSE

13 E. Shore Rd., New Preston, Conn.
860-868-1800; privethouse.com; \$\$\$
Privet House offers a colorful, eclectic range of products, mixing antiques and vintage, as well as kitchenwares sourced from around the world.

NESLE, INC.

38-15 30th St., Long Island City
212-755-0515; nesleinc.com
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The ceiling here is hung with antique chandeliers from France, Italy, Russia, and Austria, many by notable 18th- and 19th-century designers. Nesle also creates reproductions of vintage designs, all made in Europe by expert craftsmen.

NEWEL

306 E. 61st St., nr. Second Ave., third fl.
32-00 Skillman Ave., nr. 43rd Ave.,
Long Island City
212-758-1970; newel.com
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