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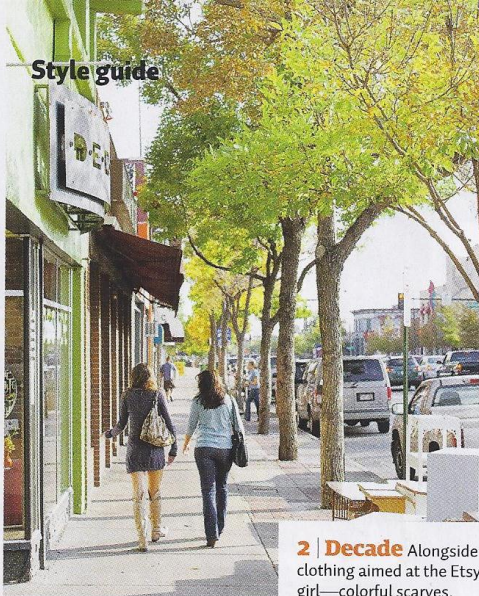
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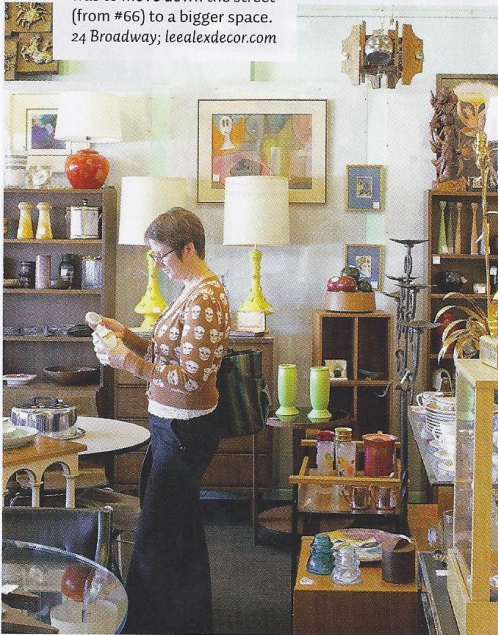


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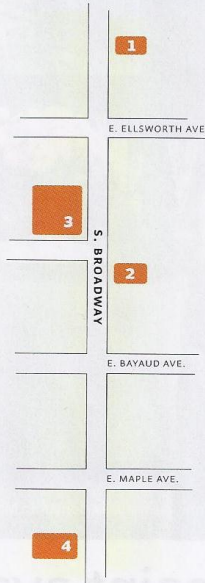
1 | Lee Alex Decor
Search beyond the Sputnik-era lamps and refurbished vinyl sofas for tinted martini glasses and tribal wooden beads. As of April, the store was to move down the street (from #66) to a bigger space. 24 Broadway; leealexdecor.com

2 | Decade Alongside clothing aimed at the Etsy girl—colorful scarves, flowery dresses—you’ll find the quirky likes of ceramic bird-adorned drawer pulls and canvas wall hangings. An old tomcat, Stella the Fella, struts around like he owns the place. 56 S. Broadway; decade-gifts.com



Boho chic in Denver

For that vintage-meets-handmade look, head to South Broadway



4 | T-Trove Asian Décor

The exterior may look like a warehouse, but the *chi* inside this showroom is fantastic. Check out the desk devoted to calligraphy, including how-to books and brushes. Closed Sun; 189 S. Broadway; t-trove.com or 303/722-0949. —STEVE KNOPPER

3 | Fancy Tiger Crafts The DIY knitting, felting, and crocheting capital of Denver lures craftkids in thick-framed glasses with Japanese pink-robot-print fabrics, silk and bamboo yarn, and clumps of multicolor wool. 1 S. Broadway; fancytiger.com or 303/733-3855. The same crowd hits **Meininger Art Supply** (499 Broadway; 303/698-3838) to scour racks of colored pencils, markers, and papers.



+ while you are there

EAT **El Diablo**, a spacious family place with a huge square bar in the center and funky red lamps, supplements a surprisingly wide taco selection with chocolate-drizzled churros. \$; 101 Broadway; 303/954-0324.

STAY There's not much new, but downtown favorites like the **Teatro** (from \$189; hotelteatro.com) and the **Oxford** (from \$220; theoxfordhotel.com) are just a 15-minute drive away. >65

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