"Clients pay me by the hour," says interior designer Kimberly Biehl Schmidt.

The company offers more than 5,000 styles, many with historical references.

"What chandelier earrings are to ears, this lever is to my house and all my clients' houses," she says. "It's expensive, but you need only a few to make an impression. I usually put them on big entry doors that lead into important spaces." Satin-finish nickel door lever, \$342; www.erbutler.com[*] or 617-722-0230

DOOR HARDWARE

Door levers and knobs from E.R. Butler & Co. make Portland, Maine, decorator Mallory Marshall's personal list of must-haves.

DIVINE DANISH PIECES

Andrew Hollingsworth's frequently updated Web site is a favorite resource for Chicago designers Alex Jordan and Dan Smieszny of Gregga Jordan Smieszny. Hollingsworth sells both vintage and contemporary Nordic accessories and furniture, such as this 1960s sideboard by Danish designer. Borge Mogensen. "You could even put this in a foyer," says Jordan. "It would mix well with other periods and styles." Borge Mogensen modular sideboard, \$5,500; andrewhollingsworth.com[*] or 312-440-9554





Launched three years ago as a

source for decorative arts and antiques from Paris-including discoveries from the city's fabled flea markets-1stdibs.com has grown to cover seven other locations, including San Francisco, New Orleans, the Hamptons and coming soon, London. A particular strength: wares from many antiques shops that don't have their own Web sites. New York City designer Brooke Gomez visits 1stdibs.com every day, mostly for furniture, and is partial to pieces offered by Manhattan dealer Alan Moss, such as these French andirons (above). Pair of andirons (circa 1940),

FRENCH BISTRO CHAIRS

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Atlanta designer John Oetgen visits cap-sud

\$12,500; 1stdibs.com or

usa.com for customized Maison
Gatti French bistro furniture, a
sidewalk-café standard in
such cities as Paris and
New York since 1920. To
complement a collection of
antique French seltzer
bottles in a client's

turquoise dining

area, Oetgen used six chairs with a tricolor pattern of blue, ivory and black. Chaise 1900, \$760; capsudusa.com[*] or 212-219-0447



[*]Denotes sites without e-commerce. You must call to place an order.