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PRESENTS ULTIMATE DINING ROOM REDUX

SEE HOW HOME DÉCOR & LIFESTYLE
EXPERT MARTIN AMADO TOOK A
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TO MAKE THIS CASUAL DINING ROOM
CASUALLY ELEGANT, JUST IN
TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!



AFTER



AFTER: BRIGHT, STYLISH, INVITING

Textured grass cloth above the chair rail is paired with seafoam green paint below, setting a tone that's sophisticated yet whimsical. A bold patterned rug inspires the color palette—a mélange of chocolate brown and rust, soft neutrals, pale blues and greens. Around the table, upholstered chairs—including rich grey-leather end chairs with nailheads—create a welcoming ambiance, a mood further enhanced by the bright blue sideboard. Hurricane table lamps, a drum-shaped lighting fixture and funky wall art (actually a working clock!) add contemporary touches; holiday décor is clean and classic, with white lights on the wreath and garland, and silver and gold ornaments scattered throughout the room. Take a seat!

BEFORE: TOO DARK, TOO COLORLESS

Chocolate brown wallpaper was chic, but it made the space dark—and with so much wood, there was little contrast. The design plan? Choose a brighter color palette. Bring in upholstered chairs and striking overhead lighting for a softer, cozier look. Give accessories, including timely holiday touches, an air of elegant simplicity.

FAVORITE PRODUCTS

- Martha Stewart Living Paint in Rainwater
 - The Wallpaper Company Linen Textured String Grasscloth Wallpaper
- From the Home Decorators Collection:*
- Becca Nailhead Dining Chairs
 - Parsons Side Chairs in Brown Faux Linen
 - Aubrey Sideboard in Wash Oak Blue
 - Margot Pendant Ceiling Fixture
 - Nouvelle Wall Décor
 - Granada Area Rug in Orange/Beige

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