



TUSCAN



Italians seem to turn their passion for living into an art form. Nowhere will you find *la dolce vita* (literally, “the sweet life”) so evident as in Tuscany. There is always an assortment of furniture that makes the interior somehow reflect their easy living – life is too full of fun, fiestas, good wine and food to waste time getting too precious about an interior!

- Start with a tiled floor, add decorative wall plaques, urns and candles.
- Decorative or simple pieces made of stone add to the look.
- Add one item that is modern and stylish – yes, out of context – so the interior does not look too contrived.
- Place an Italian cypress or two, olives and some lemons in large bowls to finish off the room.

Hint: Your local garden centre is full of pieces and plants that are essential to *la dolce vita*. Comfort is paramount, so make sure you have some seating to relax in and recoup from all those long lunches and all that Chianti!

From left: Italian style floor lamp 1350 in brushed steel, \$754, from CC Interiors; floor tiles, Refin Borgogna Digione 450mm x 450mm, \$59.95, from Jacobsen’s; Relax Chair with attached table, beige, \$1379, from Bo Concept; Persian-style wall plaque, \$583, bowl/urn with lemons, \$108, both from CC Interiors; Il Supremo Brittle Nougat 300g box, \$46.50, from Sabato; (on table) Limoncello 700ml, \$54.80, Limoncello glasses (not for sale) both from Sabato; *buxus* in stainless tub, \$66, from CC Interiors; book, stylist’s own; throw, \$84, from Bo Concept; Francesca candlesticks, 620mm, \$170, from CC Interiors, Charles candlestick, 520mm, \$170 from CC Interiors; Warwick ‘Valson’ fabric drop, colour 83; **Wall colour:** Resene ‘Colins Wicket’.
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