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Why happiness is a retriever

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Doctor Dolittle, armchair fishing and satanic birds

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▲ New life

In the G. P. & J. Baker collection since 1910 and ever a classic country-house choice since, Ettham was originally designed by notable textile designer William Turner and block printed on to fine linen cloth. Now, it has been reimagined as a wallpaper, shown here in Ochre, £145 per 10m roll (01202 266700; www.gpjbaker.com)

► Carnival spirit

From its Transylvanian headquarters, MindTheGap produces a vibrant collection of wallpapers, including richly decorated and coloured Carnavaal, £195 for three rolls (52cm by 300cm/20½ by 118in), sure to bring a touch of magic to any room (07340 284169; www.mindthegap.com)



▼ Capital opening

Luxury French paint brand Argile is known for its environmentally friendly formula and palette of colours inspired by the natural world, including Blanche and Spiruline, £80.30 for 2.5L, Mat Veloute finish, shown here. See the collection at the brand's new showroom at 555, King's Road, London SW6 (020-7736 6260; www.argile-peinture.com)



▲ Night shade

Colourist Francesca Wezel, founder of Francesca's Paints, recommends using deep colours in a bedroom for their warmth and depth, as well as for the way that they can contribute to creating a calm, relaxing atmosphere. Shown in this bedroom by Fiona Campbell Design is Benjamin's Oxblood, £75 for 2.5L Eco emulsion (020-7228 7694; www.francescaspaint.com)



▲ Joy of pattern

The joyful colour and pattern of Suzani wallpaper, £138 per 10m roll, is reminiscent of the traditional hand-embroidered panels of its namesake textile. It's available from new artisanal wallpaper brand, Dado Atelier (020-8191 1060; www.dadoatelier.com)