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## Digs: Ashley Gleason of Vestige



Paper hearts, pretty mobiles, and endless book stacks make for a dreamy girlish escape.

When a mentor-of -sorts and a dear friend tipped us off to her pal Ashley Gleason's stunning home, we couldn't wait to reach out ourselves to learn more. The lifestyle concept-shop proprietor and mother of two has transformed her 1860's Italianate townhouse into a modern masterpiece in the Fishtown neighborhood of Philadelphia. Click for the tour, as Dominic Episcopo photographs the wildly inspiring, down-to-earth decadence.

Fishtown might not be the "burbs," but Ashley certainly has created her own magnificent city-escape for the family, with a gorgeous mix of highs and lows. Stately architecture and grand fixtures are countered with laid-back textiles and playful proportions. Ashley walks us through and tells us a bit about her next big project, Vestige!

### VESTIGE :

The store will be a lifestyle concept that includes vintage, found objects, textiles, home goods and apothecary.

It will feature Ashley's favorite makers, vintage/objects that she has collected, and a small line of made-in-the-USA apparel. Ashley also offers design + inspiration services. It is located in the fishtown section of Philadelphia and is slated to open in May.



Garner and Graham



*"We had a love affair with this house for 8 years before we bought it. We would take walks, peer in the windows, and refer to it as "our house".*





Conversational from every corner.



*"The house was quite out of our price-range and in need of repair, but through what can only be described as "divine intervention" we were able to purchase it in 2012. I always tell our story to people on the house hunt because I truly believe that the right house finds you. If you had told my 26 year old self that we would one day live in this house, I wouldn't have believed you!"*



"The Viking tapestry was found in an antique store in Frenchtown, NJ. I pined over it for a year and my husband surprised me with it for Christmas."



*"The real showpieces in the house are the windows, plasterwork and incredible light. There is also a large yard which makes it much easier to raise two kids in the city."*





"We have a lot of artist/craftsman friends. Almost all of the wood furniture you see was made by our friend Ben McBrien of [Farmhaus](#)."





Artistic kids caught red-handed.



A basket collection hangs on the light-soaked walls, and some friendly greenery in the kitchen.



Pretty brooms and basket-storage.





*"I've worked in fashion for 15 years and my husband has a decorative arts background. Our tastes are different, but our vision for the space is often similar. I think our house reflects a blend of both of our artistic interests. We try not to follow any rules, but basically just buy/collect what we love."*



"I'm pretty obsessed with textiles and this house gives plenty of options to showcase them!"



*"The store (VESTIGE) will have a similar vibe with a collection of textiles and homegoods that I have spent time collecting."*





*"I end up shoving a lot of things in my carry-on or checking extra bags on every trip I go on! I get lots of looks going through security! The house is the result of having had a job that let me travel free for almost a decade."*

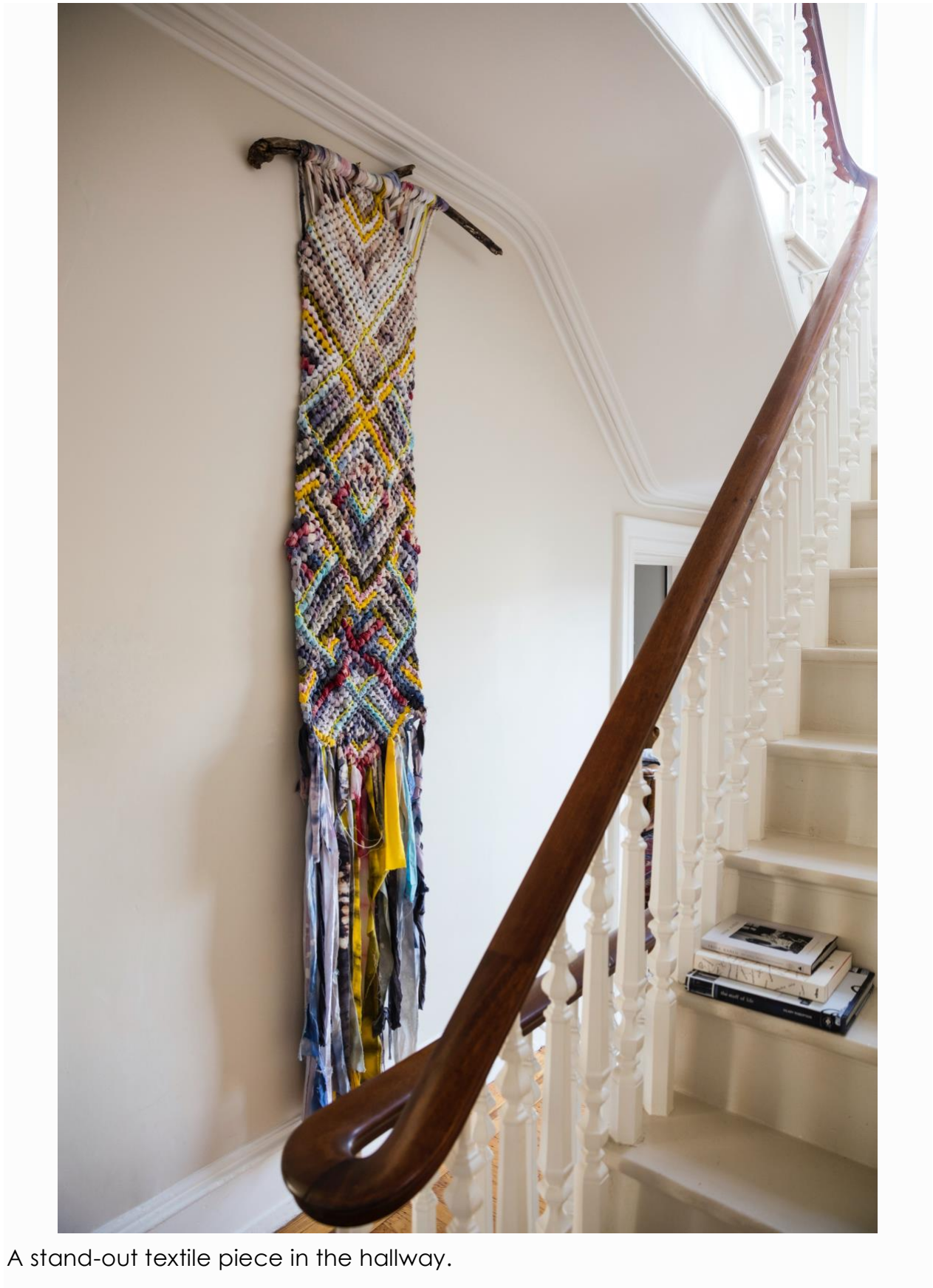








Relaxed elegance in the Master Bedroom.



A stand-out textile piece in the hallway.



"My husband also enjoys a good hunt and has a collectors eye like me! "





The best kind of art.



A boy's collection in Ashley's son's room.



Beautiful Mama + kiddos.