



NEW DÉCOR SOURCE

Fitz & Bennett Home

43 Silver St., Portland. 207-835-0485. fitzandbennetthome.com

Bad news/good news in the Portland design world: beloved home goods shop K Colette closed earlier this year, but its former assistant buyer, Lauren Siviski, has stepped up to fill the void. Her cute store, Fitz & Bennett Home, opened on cobblestoned Silver Street last fall with Instagram-worthy displays of locally made canvas floorcloths by Addie Peet Design, elegantly grained cutting boards by Cedar & Thrush, handmade soaps by SoulShine Soap Co., and a lot more. Siviski makes a point to stock items under \$50 — for example, prints of landscape artist Sarah Madeira Day work, in addition to pricier originals. As someone sitting on two unused \$50 gift cards to Old Port shops because, sigh, the money just doesn't go that far, I'm thrilled with her approach. - s.s.

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