

An Excruciatingly Opinionated Guide to the Connecticut Shoreline

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Here's a fun and slightly frivolous list! You'll read about a few

happy finds that may come in handy if you're planning a wedding or big celebration, sending flowers for Mother's Day, or considering a portrait of you and your pet (or something grand and riveting for that empty wall). Hope you enjoy.

Erica p.s. if you like the list, please share the love and forward to your friends; see the sharing icons at the bottom of the page.



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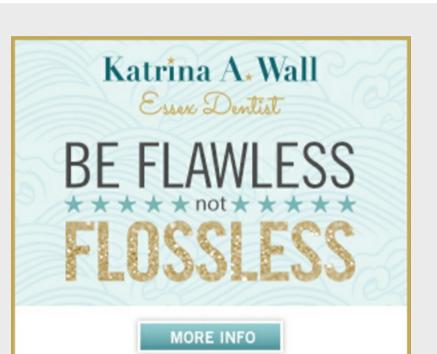




Celebrate with Cove Cakes Erin, our Ad Sales Manager, recently got engaged and there's nothing better than a celebration first thing Monday morning, is there? I rang up Karen Tyler of Cove Cakes in Lyme for a mini wedding cake and you won't believe your eyes...

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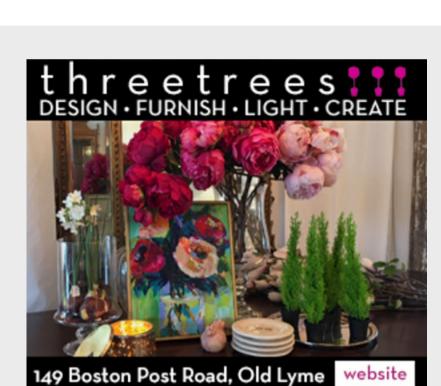


Val Shaff - Living with Animals Although we all hate facebook these days, we still check in to see how much fun our friends are having. Sometimes we snoop around a bit to see who our friends are friends with. And occasionally one is surprised to find an old friend from a different era (the 80's) and location (NYC) on a current friend's list. That's what happened with



me and Val Shaff, animal photographer to the stars. She was BFF's with my sister way back when, then shot MY best friend's wedding, and (thank you facebook) turns out to be a good buddy of my yoga teacher here. Our paths just continue to cross. You may sort of know her, too. She's worked with Martha Stewart, The Gap, Purina, and even did a portrait shoot (of dogs!) in the window of Barney's...

See Val's Work







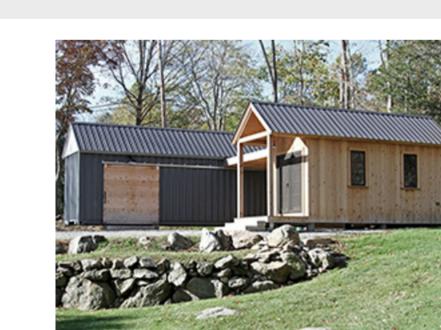
Farmgirl Flowers When I need fresh flowers at home, my go-to is Marlee at Mar Floral in Old Saybrook (the talented offspring of Madison Flower Shop!), but if I'm sending a bunch far and wide, my new favorite is Farmgirl Flowers. This artisan florist out of San Francisco now ships to the lower 48, and I gave...

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A modern shipping container shed and splashy poolhouse on last week's list. Click here to read it.



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p.s. from Erica

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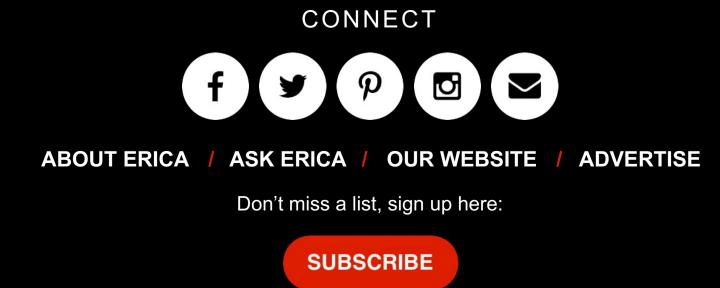
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