

# STYLE AND SUBSTANCE

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ABOVE

Simple pine shelves are punctuated by 18th-century mahogany pilasters at art-and-antiques dealer Pierre Passebon's French-countryside retreat, which was decorated by Jacques Grange; a frieze of antique tiles draws the eye to the ceiling.

RIGHT

Designer Matthew Patrick Smyth added a graceful note to the library of his 19th-century Colonial in Sharon, Connecticut, with a vintage French desk from Neo-Studio.

OPPOSITE

In their Brooklyn library, artists Vik Muniz and Janaina Tschäpe installed custom-made shelving, vintage industrial hanging light fixtures, and carpet panels by Flor; the mobile sculpture is by Man Ray, and the steel chair is a Ron Arad design.

