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Nathan Turner poses amidst the great finds at his eponymous L.A. shop. Opposite: Turner's Almont Yard storefront beckons customers with wide-open doors into a bohemian-inspired setting.

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It's hard to imagine Nathan Turner all buttoned up, being offered a position with a prestigious accounting firm. But that was exactly what happened when the double major in business and economics went job hunting after graduation. "I knew I'd be miserable if I took it," Turner says. "I didn't know what I wanted to do; I just knew what I didn't." A summer gig at an antiques store quickly gave him direction, one that led him down the road less traveled. Seven years ago, he opened Nathan Turner Interiors & Antiques in L.A.'s Almont Yard, which allowed him to pursue his love of the discovery, scouring for unexpected treasures in places as far off as Istanbul. In this way, Turner developed a keen eye for interesting, timeless pieces, eventually designing his own: a collection of handsome upholstered furniture for Elite Leather, and he has no plans of slowing down. "I'll probably expand the store at some point," he says. "I love it, and I can't wait to bring in some new elements." *nathanturner.com; 310.275.1209*



Flores Chair; Nathan Turner for Elite Leather. Price available upon request; *eliteleather.com*

DIGGING FOR GOLD

NATHAN TURNER



Design Style:

Laid back. I appreciate a more relaxed, livable environment over a precious one.

Top Shops:

I love Paris flea markets and the King's Road shops in London. I like to dig through strange, old, junky places. That's where you find the real treasures.

On Nightstand:

Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell. I'm obsessed with books in rooms. If I walk into someone's house and there are no books, I get nervous; I think they give you a little blueprint of the person who lives there.

Design Icon:

David Hicks. I like that what he does is so different from what I do. His style is so bold.

Up Next:

I'm working on a Neutra house, which has been a lot of fun. Clients generally come to me for a funky, bohemian look, but this is very clean and modern.

Luxury Defined:

Having time to do everything you want to do. Some of my favorite things don't cost anything.