



15 Antique tiles and wallpaper at Jaral de Berrio. 16 French wrought-iron lantern from Salvage. 17 French painted armoire from Architectural & Antique Elements. 18 Lizzo 'Ducale Fortuny' cotton/polyester from Westbury Textiles. 19 Recycled South American staircase from Heritage Building Centre. 20 Recycled French antique fascia board from Heritage Building Centre. 21 18th-century French urn from The Country Trader. 22 Decorative facade in Lima, Peru. 23 Fersa door knob in pewter on brass from Mother of Pearl & Sons. 24 Painted corbel from Mother of Pearl & Sons. 25 Lizzo 'E09200' linen/viscose from Westbury Textiles. 26 18th-century French tapestry from The Country Trader. 27 Recycled antique posts from Heritage Building Centre. 28 French buffet from The Country Trader. 29 Carved timber mirror from MCM House. 30 Handmade tiles from France Heritage. 31 'Trento' linen from Elliott Clarke. For stockists see Address Book.



Latin beat

Shabby chic takes on new meaning.

ON A RECENT TRIP TO LIMA, PERU, I stumbled across some beautiful old rundown mansions. It's sad to see these grand homes in such a state of disrepair, and it made me wonder what amazing stories those houses could tell. I decided to recreate that look of faded grandeur and so I rummaged through architectural and antique restoration warehouses and was able to find not only magnificent antique tiled flooring but also South American door surrounds, cornices, staircases and pillars. To keep the look authentic I searched for antique wallpapers and fabric. For the final touch I found wonderful ornate pieces that, in perfect condition, would be over the top and gaudy but, worn and weathered, look the part.

1 Watts of Westminster 'Triad' wallpaper and 2 Thibaut 'Curtis Damask' wallpaper both from Boyac. 3 Crystal chandelier from Salvage. 4 Antique tiled flooring at Jaral de Berrio. 5 Teak corbel from Mother of Pearl & Sons. 6 Murobond paint in 'Jute', 'Bordeaux' and 'Stone'. 7 French mirror from Architectural & Antique Elements. 8 Swedish sofa from Arida. 9 Kashmiri cushion from The Country Trader. 10 Antique panel flooring from Salvage. 11 Recycled doors from Heritage Building Centre. 12 Antique cement tiles from Salvage. 13 & 14 Mulberry Home 'Gilded Fresco' and 'Fresco Damask' wallpapers from Elliott Clarke. For stockists see Address Book.