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**Brooke Giannetti, Steve Giannetti : Patina Style** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Patina Style:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Love this book! By cmoore I've followed their blog for a few years and love their style! This book shows what they've accomplished in creating an amazing little "farm" in Ojai, CA. The pictures are of high quality and the text is very helpful in understanding their goals and how they achieved them. An excellent book if you're interested in architecture, gardening, home decor, and all that goes with living an artistic life. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing By Kj This was a disappointment: no photos of the home or garden design, layout. Just decor close-ups, etc. I returned it. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Donna Macheska Good ba see if information.

The Giannettis have developed a design style that embraces Patina, the beauty that the passage of time brings to objects in your life. Patina Style is a color palette, a romance with subtlety, an attraction to natural materials and

architectural details, and is at once old-world and mildly industrial. Patina Style gives insight into materials choices, methods and treatments that result in spaces that celebrate the beauty in the old, the imperfect and the slightly worn.

Three years ago, interior designer Brooke Giannetti started a blog to document her projects and her inspiration. She didn't think anyone would read it. Boy, was she wrong. Today, Velvet Linen has e-mail subscribers all around the world, and it routinely appears on lists of must read design blogs. (The Washington Post included Velvet Linen on its own top 10 design blog list in 2009.) The success of the blog has catapulted Brooke's career, as well as the career of her husband and business partner, Steve, an architect, furniture designer and painter. And, it's helped land their work on the pages of numerous magazines, including Veranda, Coastal Living, New Old House, Romantic Homes and Country Living Gardener. Followers of Velvet Linen are treated to daily doses of design inspiration via the Giannettis' aesthetic: an elegant, yet unfussy, mix of antiques, natural materials and warm, neutral colors (think soft creams, grays, blues and greens). The couple designs with real life and families in mind, they say. Their approachable interiors, which are both rustic and refined, blend the beautiful with the practical and the old with the new (heavy on the old). For them, the more weathered and imperfect, the better. Brooke's blog has also recently led to a book. *Patina Style* (Gibbs Smith, \$35), which was published in August, is a crash course in the Giannettis' signature style and showcases the couple's homes and other design projects. The first printing of the book sold out in less than a month. In addition to their architecture, interior and landscape design firm, Brooke, 46, and Steve, 51, have a home furnishing shop, Giannetti Home, in Brentwood, Calif. Though the couple live in Santa Monica, Steve is from the Washington area. He grew up in Prince Georges County and graduated from the University of Maryland. Brooke was born and raised in Los Angeles. In addition to their blog, their book and their thriving businesses, the Giannettis have three children, two dogs and five chickens. (Terri Sapienza Washington Post 2011-09-08) From the Inside Flap *Patina Style* celebrates the beauty that the passage of time brings to the things in your life. The antique and imperfect, the slightly worn combined with natural materials and a subtle color palette create a look that is both timeless and fresh. Brooke and Steve Giannetti embrace the life in things: a newel post worn smooth by touch, a leather trunk bearing scratches of global travel, velvet that is faded over time, silver that is subtly tarnished, or a flowerpot wearing a covering of moss. This is the essence of *Patina Style*. The Giannettis reveal how they create the look, repurposing salvaged objects, bringing outdoor pieces inside, turning old treasures into something better than new. Lavish photography and a clear design philosophy will inspire you to see the beauty in everyday objects and to develop your own patina style. Brooke Giannetti and Steve Giannetti are the owners of Giannetti Home, a full-service architecture, interior, and landscape design firm as well as a home furnishings store. Their work has been featured in numerous national magazines, newspapers and books, including Veranda, Coastal Living and the New York Times. Brooke is the designer and the creator of the popular "Velvet and Linen" blog (on the Washington Post Top Ten blog list). Steve is an artist and furniture designer, and one of the most sought-after architects in Southern California. Brooke and Steve live in Santa Monica with their three children, two dogs and several chickens. About the Author Steve Giannetti and Brooke Giannetti are a design team and owners of Giannetti Home, one of the top design stores in Los Angeles. Their work has been the focus of countless national magazine features and has graced the covers of Veranda and Coastal Living.