



THE VERY ITALIAN
GIANNA MADRINI
 REVEALS HER FAVORITE
 AUTHENTIC FINDS.



The clean, fresh scent of Aqua di Parma is an Italian classic.

Bakery Co., 5450 W. Lovers Ln. 214-350-0007 and other locations.

DINING OUT

Eccolo is my recommendation for a great Italian meal. Their mozzarella burrata is amazing; I also recommend the risotto. **Ferre** in the West Village is a great new addition; they serve a perfect cappuccino. For pizza it has to be **Arcodoro/Pomodoro**. Real Italian pizza is ultra thin and crispy, with flavorful ingredients like fresh mozzarella, basil, and spicy Italian sausage. No other place in Dallas even comes close. *Eccolo, 4900 McKinney Ave. 214-521-3560; Ferre, 3699 McKinney Ave. 214-522-3888; Arcodoro/Pomodoro, 2708 Routh St. 214-871-1924.*

SHOES

Stanley Korshak has, by far, the best shoe salon. (My favorite shoes—for men and women—are by Casare Paciotti.) For shoe

WHEN TUSCAN-BORN FASHION editor Gianna Madrini moved from Italy to New York City, the leap was great, but it was nothing compared to her move to Dallas where, until 15 years ago, Chef Boyardee was about it. She lacks for nothing in the new Dallas where she's now based (shuttling between her offices in Deep Ellum and NYC) and living with her husband Gregg Fussell, a builder. We visited her at home on Main Street, sipped Italian coffee, and took some serious notes.

MID-CENTURY CLASSICS

Collage is one of my favorite places for 20th-century pieces, such as my Gio Ponti chairs, which we purchased most of our collection of handblown Italian lamps at **Century Modern** in Deep Ellum; they also carry Desimone pottery and Arte Luce floor lamps. *Collage, 1300 N. Industrial Blvd. 214-828-9888; Century Modern, 2928 Main St. 214-651-9200.*

CUSTOM-MADE

Lost Arts is a wonderful source for replicas; they made 17th-century Italian bookshelves for my ever-growing library. **Santiago Peña** made our dining table. It's concrete and steel, inset with antique Italian tiles, and shaped like an ironing board. That table can withstand everything from spilt wine to people dancing on it. *Lost Arts Preservation, 825 S. Trunk Ave. 214-565-1055; Santiago Peña Designs, 3015 Main St. 214-748-7619.*



These are a few of Gianna's favorite (Italian) things: (above left) fine linens from Frette, (left) Italian meats and cheeses from Jimmy's Food Store in East Dallas, (bottom left) and this 1950s glass table by Gio Ponti from Collage. And best of all? They can all be found in Dallas.

emergencies, I go to **Nickos** on Lemmon Avenue. He's a former shoe designer, and he used to live in Florence. *Stanley Korshak, 500 Crescent Court, Ste. 100. 214-871-3630; Nickos, 3900 Lemmon Ave. 214-528-4449.*

DINING IN

For fresh pasta and lobster ravioli, go directly to **Civello's Raviolismo** on Peak Street. **Jimmy's** on Bryan at Fitzhugh is by far the best market in town for cheeses, such as Parmigiano Reggiano; Italian sausage; spicy Sicilian olives; and a good selection of fine Italian wines. For authentic Italian bread, I love the *pane rustico* from **Empire Baking Co.** *Civello's Raviolismo, 1318 N. Peak St. 214-827-2989; Jimmy's Food Store, 4901 Bryan St. 214-823-6180; Empire*

TOILETRIES

My husband loves **Aqua di Parma** and can't live without their powder. You can find Aqua di Parma colognia, candles, and toiletries at Neiman Marcus downtown. *Neiman Marcus, 1618 Main St. 214-741-6911.*

TOWELS AND LINENS

Anything **Frette!** And nothing else. *The Linen Gallery, 7001 Preston Rd., Ste. 100. 214-522-6700.*

