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"I like clean spaces where you're surrounded by things you adore and nothing else—my clients love and hate me for this," says Whittaker, 38. Though her own apartment (shown here) has a relatively neutral palette, her upbeat interiors generally balance classic pieces with pops of bright colors and graphic prints, resulting in a look that's uncluttered but never cold. The Florida native credits renowned former boss Markham Roberts for shaping her modern traditionalist sensibility. But if the crisp tailoring is learned, the dashes of bravado are all her own.

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In her own home, contrasting patterns in similar hues deepen a restrained scheme.