

We all know TRAVEL is good for the soul,

HANNAH CORK explains how trips have

'm a keen hiker. I love the thrill of battling through

from packing your rucksack light, but perfectly

right; and the excitement of finding somewhere

unique to stay in unfamiliar mountainous lands. So,

when I planned a recent three-night trip with my partner to the glorious Lake District, I was straight onto Airbnb

before a map, compass or guidebook had been consulted. A weekend away is an opportunity to experience

an unfamiliar vet aesthetically interesting dwelling - a

chance to stay in a property that may not traditionally

On the edge of Lake Ennerdale, deep in the Lake

A big, sumptuous double bed, cane rocking chairs,

hand-woven woollen blankets, twinkling lanterns

and the obligatory roaring log burner... What

a treat, and it gave me some ideas for my own

home. The Wool Company (thewoolcompany.

co.uk) have a great range of high-quality

blankets and throws, including lambswool,

be your style. But why not? It's only for a weekend.

(beckfootretreatennerdale.com/yurt-in-the-wood).

District, I discovered the most wonderful yurt

And #yurtstyle was a well-used hashtag on my

Instagram feed for the preceding few days.

brutal unexpected elements to the summit; the buzz

but what about for the home? Writer

inspired her own INTERIOR STYLE

alpaca and cashmere. Check out The New Craftsmen website too (thenewcraftsmen.com), for a host of

lota Blanke

Courtesy of me, #concretestyle is another hashtag that recently got a run for its money, after I spent a long weekend in Porto. I'd found a place my boyfriend described as 'akin to a multi-storey car park' - raw, brutal simplicity with stylish lines, minimal fuss and split-level contemporary concrete finishes. Those Porto architects nailed it, and I left inspired.

Lyon Beton, whose concrete products are available online at Amara (amara.com), are a mix of unique pieces ranging from a toilet roll holder (it's better than it sounds), magazine rack and a super-stylish counter stool. Well-designed concrete pendant lights can be found at Trouva (trouva.com), whilst the shop at the Barbican, the home of brutalist architecture, has a range of suitable stylish accessories.

Farnsworth House, just outside Chicago) is probably my highlight to date and fuels the fire of interior inspiration. But actually staying in an architectural gem takes it to another level. With WowHaus (wowhaus.co.uk) and The

British designer-makers producing homeware including textiles, furniture and pottery.

Touring a home when on a trip (Mies van der Rohe's

ABOVE Esme Sideboard, £399, made.com RIGHT Paolo Mariotti Print, £46 abodeliving.co.uk Marcel Breuer B-35 Lounge Chair, £4,940



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good to me. To create this look at home, Alfies Antique Market in London (alfiesantiques.com) has a wide array of mid-century lighting and furniture, whilst online market place 1st Dibs (*1stdibs.com*) has original finds, including Serge Mouille Lighting and Marcel Breuer's furniture.

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Max Inc, a hidden gem in Askew Road in Hammersmith, is worth a visit next time you're in West London, too.

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