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AN 18TH-CENTURY FLAT UNDERGOES
A MODERN METAMORPHOSIS

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**MAKING A GRAND
ENTRANCE:**
Door Handles
to Doormats

CHEF'S CHOICE:
How a Pro
Kits Out a Kitchen

Doorways mark important transitions, whether it's from inside to out or one room to the next. Make a dramatic entrance with these door handles, house numbers, and doormats.

Opening Act

By Diana Budds
Photos by Justin Fantl

● **FSB 1063**
by Christoph Ingenhoven for FSB
\$300-\$800 per set
We love the look and feel of this oak-and-anodized-aluminum handle. It also comes in rich wenge and white, black, or red Corian. FSB sells complete lock sets in the \$300 to \$800 range—not the most economical.
fsbna.com

● **Carmen Handle**
by Doriana and Massimiliano Fuksas for Manital
\$161 per set
A subtle red, yellow, white, black, or copper stripe zips through this design by Italian hardware manufacturer Manital. The grip feels sturdy and the handle has enough heft to pull the weight of heavier doors.
eng.manital.com

● **5041 Knob**
by Baldwin Hardware
\$144 for the knob and rose set
Some designs scream to the heavens and others, like this forged-brass model that's finished in polished nickel, have quieter presences. Playing a supporting character to the rest of your design scheme isn't a bad thing, though—its simplicity will stand the test of time, even if your flashy carpet and coffee table don't.
baldwinhardware.com

● **ModKnobs**
\$95-\$115 per set
When designer Jeff Lacoste was renovating his home, he found that stylish yet affordable doorknobs were about as common as a snowball in July, so he decided to create his own. The colorful spectrum of ModKnobs are made from hockey pucks; the matte versions are eco-friendly PaperStone, a 100-percent postconsumer recycled material.
modknobs.com

● **Code Handle**
by Valli&Valli
\$399 per set
Technophiles will rejoice at the sight of this tricked-out door handle. It's battery-powered and code-operated so you never have to remember keys. Unfortunately, it's for indoor use only, so you won't be able to retire your hide-a-key just yet.
vallivalli-us.com

● **Neutra Numbers**
by Design Within Reach
4" H x 2.75" W
\$48 each

Originally designed by Richard Neutra in the 1930s, these corrosion-resistant aluminum numbers were re-created by DWR Design Studio and Neutra's son, Dion Neutra, and remain faithful to the elegant mid-century stylings. dwr.com

● **Architectural Numbers**
Dimensions vary
\$15-\$50

Customization is key with these numerals. Choose from 39 fonts and myriad finishes, materials, colors, and sizes. Whether fans of Times Roman or Helvetica, typeface connoisseurs will be able to procure whatever their hearts desire, as Architectural Numbers can manufacture custom fonts when provided with an Adobe Illustrator file. westonletters.com

● **Eames House Numbers**
by Heath Ceramics
4" H x 4" W
\$38 each

Heath Ceramics scores yet another home run with these ceramic numbers, available with a red, yellow, or black glaze, inspired by the Eames font. Make sure to secure these fragile tiles tightly—if they fall to the ground, they're sure to chip or shatter. heathceramics.com

● **Number and Letter Stencils**
by Hy-Ko Products
Height varies
\$3-\$9 for a complete set of digits and letters

Stencils are a breeze to apply—no drills, nuts, or bolts necessary. Plus, the low price point makes them accessible to anyone. hy-ko.com

● **Paragon Numbers**
by Atlas Homewares
4" H x 4.5" W
\$25 each

If you're unable to drill holes in the wall or the sight of a screwdriver is already more DIY than you can handle, these foam stick-ons veneered in stainless steel are a stylish solution. atlashomewares.com

● **Address Numbers**
by Object Creative
6.25" H x 3" W
\$21-\$26 each

Mounting these industrial-inspired powder-coated, brushed stainless, or mild steel (which will take on a rusted look) digits is a breeze, as each one only requires two screws. Your eye reads the design's negative space, so make sure that there's enough contrast between the shade you choose and the color of your house. objectcreative.com