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## LIVING



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## Filled with Shells | NO PLAINS ARTIST, THIS CARTER

Alexandrian Meg Carter lives three hours from the nearest beach, yet she has found a way to bring home the essence of a restful ocean vacation by creating a line of jewelry evocative of the simplicity and beauty of the seashore. Carter names the shell, pearl and semi-precious stone creations of her year-old business after beaches that hold special memories — Cape Porpoise, Elbow Beach, Christmas Cove. Her company motto is a quote from Anne Morrow Lindbergh, “I mean to live a simple life, to choose a simple shell,” reflected in the elegance of her jewelry that “lets the shells and stones speak for themselves.”

With a Dartmouth degree in economics and gifts for painting, gardening and cooking, the jeweler says Meg Carter Designs is “the perfect left-brain, right-brain” outlet. Although resort boutiques and the National Gallery of Art are among her vendors, Carter especially enjoys creating custom pieces for weddings and special events. — LUCIE HOLLAND

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