

# FAVORITE THINGS



MINKA McDONALD WITH HER SON, BROOKS

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**Minka McDonald**, the president of Jinx McDonald Interior Designs Inc., moved to Naples with her family from Atlanta, Georgia, in 1991. After attending Barron Collier High School, she studied communications at Florida International University and interior design at Florida State University. She most enjoys “working with beautiful, luxurious materials,” and has put that affinity to good use with her expertise in the interior design field for the last 15 years. McDonald and her 11-year-old son, Brooks, have a tight-knit family that lives throughout Southwest Florida. Furthering her deep roots in the community, McDonald’s nonprofit passions include the Naples Botanical Garden and Habitat for Humanity. When asked what she loves most about Naples, she says, “I cherish my friends here and the easy lifestyle we have. We get together at the beach to watch sunsets or enjoy drinks in each other’s backyards.” Below, McDonald’s top spots in town to ...



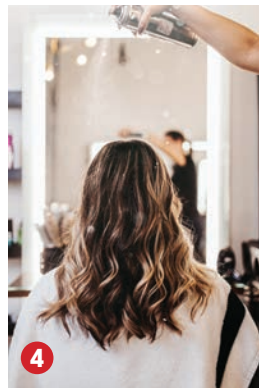
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1. **Cheers to girls’ night out:** The Hampton Social in Mercato
2. **Buy flowers:** Driftwood Garden Center & Florist
3. **Get a culture boost:** Artis–Naples
4. **Take time for herself:** Robert of Philadelphia
5. **Do a photo shoot:** Naples Botanical Garden
6. **Enjoy leisure activities:** I love sailing on the *Sweet Liberty*. Being in the water in Naples is heaven. Pure Naples is also great for boating adventures.
7. **Eat with family:** Tommy Bahama on Third Street
8. **Get away from it all:** Any beach in Naples! I love Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park.
9. **Find design inspiration:** The adorable beach cottages in Old Naples (and the fabulous new homes as well).

*Have a business coffee:*  
*Kunjani Craft Coffee*



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*Shop for a hostess gift:*  
*The Paper Merchant*



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The Venetian Village. Bayside restaurant for dinner and Ben & Jerry’s for dessert.  
—Allison Wolfe Reckson



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