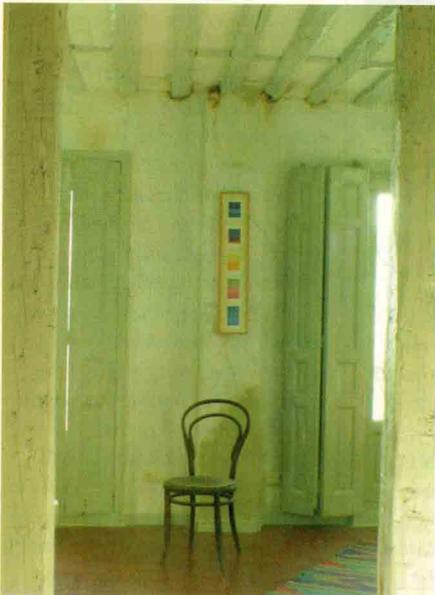




Modern touches like these large brightly coloured dice (above), white paintwork, rugs and artwork (below) make Paul's apartment a desirable home



It took a lot of work to renovate and decorate, but Paul is ultimately proud of the results

CAPITAL GAME

Spanish city life appealed so much to Paul Rigg that he quit his job in Birmingham to buy a flat in the capital that he's since renovated.

Penelope Parkin takes a look round his stylish apartment

CHARITY director Paul Rigg, 42, moved to Madrid eight years ago after coming to the realisation that his job in Birmingham was no longer fulfilling. Telling his boss 'I'm leaving because I'm unhappy here and I love Madrid', he caught a flight to Spain and rented various apartments in the city while teaching.

Six years later, he decided to buy in the city and is now the proud owner of a fabulous 144-year-old flat in the centre of Madrid. Typical of a growing trend among young, independent *madrileños* with high investment potential, he has chosen to purchase a piece of history by renovating an old apartment right in »