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Traditional



Michaela Conlin

Actress currently playing forensic specialist Angela Montenegro on the Fox crime/comedy television show *Bones*

Hometown: Allentown, Pennsylvania

She's a closet rehabilitator "If I hadn't become an actress, I'd probably be restoring and selling old houses. It's addicting and extremely gratifying."

She's understated "My home was built in 1938 and has a definite midcentury modern feel to it. I like to mix pieces that I've picked up at flea markets or antiques stores with newer items. I try to make it feel as understated and as warm as possible."

Her house has secrets "I was having some repairs done, and a wall had to be opened up. I found check stubs and notes from 1938 that belonged to the original owner of the house! I framed them, and they're currently hanging in the living room."

Vintage kitchen find "I have a stove from the '40s in my kitchen. It's wonderful for cooking, and I love the way it looks."

She has a green thumb "I collect plants and am usually at the nursery on my days off. I love to be outside planting something in the dirt or making potted succulent arrangements. It calms me down."

Must haves "I think every woman should have a sense of humor and a great handbag."

Crazy for Cavett "I love to watch interviews from *The Dick Cavett Show*. His guests were amazing—Bette Davis, Jimi Hendrix, Alfred Hitchcock. The interview with Katharine Hepburn is one of my favorites."

I am Trad "I love a strong handshake, and I believe good manners are imperative." 🍷

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