

Design notes

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Spring refresh

Thinking of modernising your kitchen's look? You can still incorporate traditional Shaker-style cabinetry into a contemporary setting with a bit of a colourful design twist. Go for an on-trend cobalt blue and add accents of yellow to achieve one of 2018's hottest colour combinations. The Shaker lay-on door style is available from John Lewis of Hungerford, priced from £17,500.

john-lewis.co.uk



The next chapter

One year on from Heal's first collaboration with designer Russell Pinch, his timeless designs are as popular as ever. To celebrate the anniversary, Heal's has introduced the Wallis bed to the collection, to coordinate with the existing sofa and armchair. Completing the set, the bed embodies Russell's trademark silhouette of soft curves and crisp lines. Entirely made in Britain, it can be upholstered in a number of fabrics to suit your scheme, including smart velvet in iced mint as shown, £1899.

heals.co.uk



Under pressure

Set to be the next big cookware revival, soon no kitchen cupboard will be complete without a pressure cooker. Tefal has launched the Clipso Minut' range in three styles. Each promises to easily cook a variety of your favourite dishes twice as fast as in regular pans and lock in moisture and flavour. Simple to use, the Easy, Perfect, and Duo 6-litre pressure cookers are compatible with all hobs, including induction. They are lighter than conventional pressure cookers and feature a one-handed opening system. From £140, John Lewis. johnlewis.co.uk



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Affordable Art Fair, Battersea Park

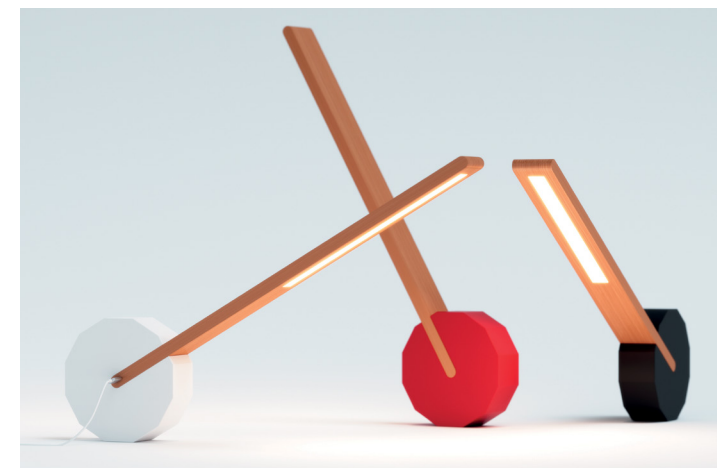
Looking to add that perfect finishing touch to your room scheme? Shop hundreds of artists under one roof this March at the Affordable Art Fair at Battersea Park (8-11 March). With a host of photographers, painters, illustrators, sculptors, print designers, and more to choose from, it's the ideal destination to scope out new works to suit your home. With affordability playing a key part of the event's ethos, pieces start from around £100. affordableartfair.com

Trend alert: Maximalism

Throw in textures, metallics, jungle prints, Art Deco design, and whatever else you fancy for a look that's eclectic, unique, dramatic and, most of all, fun...



1 Axor LampShower, £2415, Ripples. ripplesbathrooms.com 2 Howea Forsteriana Kentia palm, £39, Ikea. ikea.com/gb 3 Abigail Ahern Edition giraffe lamp, £100, Debenhams. debenhams.com 4 Dutchbone Mil drinks serving trolley in black with green marble, £419, Houseology. houseology.com 5 Superfresco Easy Palm Leaves wallpaper in green, £15 per roll, Wilko. wilko.com 6 Biba Shiva tiger cushion, £28, House of Fraser. houseoffraser.co.uk 7 Pineapple glass top side table in gold, £150, Alexander & Pearl. alexanderandpearl.co.uk 8 Gubi Beetle velvet lounge chair, from £795, Chaplins. chaplins.co.uk



Bright idea

Ever wished your bedside lamp had a dimmer switch for when it's too bright first thing or you'd like to read at night while your other half is trying to sleep? Singular Design's inventive Killay lamp could be just the problem solver you need. Its geometric base can be rotated to different positions, with the light getting brighter towards the most vertical point. Want to switch it off? Simply lay the oak and steel lamp down horizontally. Neat. Around £570, Singular Design. singular.design



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Colour credentials

The creative minds at Pantone chose Ultra Violet as their 2018 colour of the year (pick up next month's *KBB* for a peek at the trend!). Now Pantone has joined forces with low-energy lighting maestro Plumen and manufacturing expert e3light. The trio created six stunning pendants to fit Plumen's range of LED WattNott filament bulbs. The Deneb pendants come in Black Beauty, Brilliant White, Pewter (shown), Cardinal, Forest Biome, and Sargasso Sea, and cost from £49.95. plumen.com

Tapping in

THG Paris has launched its first sanitaryware collection, designed to complement its existing range of tap fittings. Collections Bain includes basins, shower trays, and freestanding and integrated baths in a wide selection of colours and textures – including a rather luxurious gold leaf. Price on application. thg-paris.com/uk



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ways to create
a spa-inspired
bathroom

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1 Fillmore basin, £761.
2 Harmonie bath with Prestige
Décor, £16,178.

Designer to watch



Who?

Ted Jefferis, an artisan maker of contemporary wooden furniture that is handmade to order in his workshop in Bosham, Sussex.

What?

Known for his fully sustainable approach to furniture making, Ted set up his company TedWood to create modern heirloom pieces using traditional techniques from British-sourced, eco-friendly materials, such as oak and Douglas fir. After winning the prestigious Design Guild Mark last year, he continued to produce a collection of pieces showing off the unique woodgrains found in British woods while also working to refine the production process to ensure it's the least energy intensive and reduce its carbon impact.

Why?

Ted credits growing up in a wooden house surrounded by woodland for his love of the great outdoors and the materials it has to offer. His father was a classic boat builder, so Ted began to learn the craft from an early age. Each piece of furniture is inspired by the British countryside and the timber's natural plane, giving it a unique look and design story.

Where?

See Ted and his team at work in the Bosham workshop and studio, where you can also browse a selection of display furniture to inspire your own choices. And don't forget to look online at tedwooddesign.co.uk.

Look out for...

The BedWood bed and headboard (below), £3240 – a statement piece sure to create a focal point in your bedroom – and the FoldEd sideboard, £1140, which is Ted's twist on Mid-century inspired designs.

His style in three words...

Contemporary, woody, elegant.

tedwooddesign.co.uk





Mindful designs

The Japanese concept of Ikigai is all about simplicity and finding happiness in everyday life. And as Japan's answer to the Danish Hygge hype is set to be one of this year's biggest interior trends, Maison C's latest wallpaper collection, named Tancho, has come at just the right time. Featuring Japanese cranes, a symbol of luck and longevity, the collection comes in four colourways: Mahogany, Taupe, Petrol and Sage (as shown). All rolls have been produced using eco-friendly paper and inks. Available exclusively from George Spencer Designs, priced £244 per sq m.

georgespencer.com



Hi-tech fitting

Franke's newest hot-water tap features nifty digital controls. The Minerva Electronic 4-in-1 in chrome offers instant 100°C filtered water at the touch of a, now digital, button. Simply press the dial to 'wake up' the tap and select the red light for instant boiling water. Push the dial twice while in red mode and two litres of boiling water will automatically be dispensed – good for filling pans ready for cooking. The design is also suitable for low-pressure systems and smaller spaces as the storage tank can fit neatly behind a plinth. It is priced £1800.

franke.co.uk

60 seconds with...



Helen Hallam

The textile designer tells us about launching her debut home furnishings collection of cushions, table runners, trays, and prints.

What inspires your designs?

I paint all of my designs using watercolour in my garden studio at home in Bedford. The vibrant colours and beauty of nature surrounding me there are a great source of ideas.

What made you decide to launch your own collection?

For years I worked as a textile designer for other companies – including Designers Guild – and as the 'ghost artist' for many furnishing collections, which has been fun. I left to pursue a career as an independent designer, because I wanted the creative freedom to develop my own style.

How would you describe your own personal style?

An eclectic mix of old and new. I love mid-century modern and contemporary styles. At home I try to create a relaxed atmosphere for family living by using neutral tones for walls and floors, then adding bold colour through home accessories that can easily be updated.

What is the best way to mix and match patterns in the bedroom?

I think the bedroom is much more than a room to sleep in. It should be a haven of relaxation after a busy day. It is a wonderful room in which to experiment with pattern, such as a wallpaper feature wall with bright and textured cushions and blankets. Don't be afraid to mix it up – combine a geometric with a floral print, and try small simple patterns with bold ones.

What's next for you?

I'm excited to work on a new collection of wallpaper – watch this space!

helenhallam.com

- 1 Trewyn garden teal cushion, from £59.
- 2 Kew Blossom pink cushion, from £51.
- 3 Kynance 38cm tray, £38.





Bedroom updates

Creating a calm, relaxing atmosphere in a bedroom can sometimes be tricky – especially when you have to consider the large items of furniture you need to include. Ercol's latest furniture collection makes that particular endeavour look easy as pie. The Salina range of contemporary style pieces made from ash wood with a whitewash finish features a dressing table stool, £199, double bed, £925, bedside table, £265, and dressing table, £599 (shown).

ercol.com

Hotel chic

If you haven't already heard of online bathroom retailer Soak.com, now is the time to check it out. Its latest range, the Hotel collection, consists of three distinct looks – Modern Glamour, Urban Modernist and Everyday Eclectic (pictured) – giving off luxurious boutique vibes. We love the pops of colour shown here with the yellow Amie radiator, £299.99, along with the blue Fleur bathtub, £899.99, and matching Hattie double vanity unit, from £1499.99.

soak.com



Unique update

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huntandhope.com

Colour detail

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masterclasskitchens.co.uk



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Editor's
pick



Talking point table

Tom Faulkner's designs could easily pass as sculptural pieces of art, and the new Avebury dining table is no different. The bold but classic design will add wow-factor to your space and is sure to delight your guests. Made from a plate steel base and bronze top that will age over time, the table is inspired by Avebury Henge in Wiltshire – which designer Tom describes as “the most complete and awesome set of standing stones in England”.

Made to order to seat as many people as you wish, it costs from £5400.

tomfaulkner.co.uk



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Showroom showcase

Our pick of the latest shopping destinations to meet all your kitchen, bedroom and bathroom needs

Binova

What's new?

The renowned Italian kitchen manufacturer has launched its first UK showroom in London, just in time to celebrate 60 years in the industry. Promising to be a hub for designers, architects, and anyone looking for their signature sleek, contemporary kitchen style, it features a host of unit styles as well as lighting, furniture, and accessories.

Where is it?

At 469 Finchley Road in north-west London.

Why go?

As well as beautiful Italian kitchens – known for their attention to detail and slick appearance – you'll find many different materials and finishes to compare, contrast and find out which works best for you and your dream space. All Binova kitchens are modular configurations laid against walls or as islands, so there's ample opportunity to mix and match for a unique look, too.

Don't miss...

The new Scava island – an elegant interpretation of the trend for raw, almost industrial-style designs using the grain of wood as the main focus. From £11,400.

binova.it/en



Binova

Edwards & Godding

What's new?

Specialising in cooking and refrigeration appliances by AGA, Gaggenau, Wolf and Sub-Zero, Edwards & Godding's Reading showroom has been completely refurbished. The new space now presents the latest models in a range of four kitchen settings, to suit both classic and contemporary tastes. Each set is built around the key appliances, showcasing both style and technology.

Where is it?

Loverock Road, Reading.

Why go?

See many of the big-name appliance brands under one roof and discover how a statement design can become a kitchen's focal point. Plus, speak to the large team of staff who are on hand to demonstrate how each appliance works.

Don't miss...

A selection of Neff appliances in bespoke kitchen designs by Thomas & Thomas, which has partnered with Edwards & Godding on the special display.

edwardsandgodding.co.uk



Ripples

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What's new?

Renowned bathroom retailer Ripples has launched the latest addition to its showroom family in Birmingham. The brand's 14th location offers a chance to see some of the newest luxury bathroom schemes in styled roomsets, including hotel-inspired suites and shower rooms with great space-saving ideas.

Where is it?

As part of Cookes Furniture, the showroom is in Erdington just north of Birmingham.

Why go?

Not only can you see the latest bathroom products, but also speak to one of the in-house designers. They can hand-draw a look to suit your own space and offer bespoke solutions in line with your style, budget, and home.

Don't miss...

The curated collection of sanitaryware, brassware and furniture from brands such as Bette, Laufen, Burgbad, and more.

ripplesbathrooms.com

West Elm

What's new?

Already huge in the United States and making it big with its flagship store on Tottenham Court Road, West Elm has opened its second UK store in Kingston upon Thames. Taking over the ground floor of a centrally located shopping centre, the brand brings its signature mid-century inspired furniture collection to the table, alongside cook- and dinnerware, accessories and Fair Trade Certified as well as handcrafted products for your home. ▶

Where is it?

The ground floor of The Bentall Centre in Kingston upon Thames.

Why go?

Apart from being a shopping delight that's great for a leisurely browse, it's a one-stop-shop if you're looking to kit out a room in your home. Arrange an in-store design consultation through the Design Crew programme, which pairs you with the most relevant expert.

Don't miss...

The West Elm Local programme, which offers store space to local designers, artists, and makers.

westelm.co.uk



Mowlem & Co

What's new?

Glamour and luxe finishes were at the heart of the brief for Mowlem & Co's refurbished King's Road showroom – and the result ticks all boxes. After a complete overhaul, the new-look store showcases sophisticated bespoke designs in on-trend metallic, grey and blue.

Where is it?

Find the showroom on famous King's Road, in the heart of Chelsea.

Why go?

Take a look at kitchens pushing the boundaries of interior design. Offering a mix of colours, materials, textures and finishing touches they may inspire you to think differently about your choices. The fully styled kitchen sets, on show in a range of configurations and sizes, might also inspire you to pick an idea or two for your own home.

Don't miss...

The burnished metallic finishes as seen in the Clove Oak kitchen (below left). Complete with a statement granite worktop and splashback, and bronze-tinted mirrored cabinets, it's right on trend.

mowlemandco.com

KitchenEX

What's new?

The brand's new flagship is a large showroom space offering an extensive and exclusive collection of ILVE appliances and Faber cooker hoods, with the aim of bringing these brands to the forefront of the UK market.

Where is it?

Meadowhall Business Park, Sheffield. Make sure you book an appointment before you visit.

Why go?

If you're in the market for new kitchen appliances, browse and try out cooking, refrigeration and extraction models from ILVE and Faber – including an ILVE pizza oven promising perfectly cooked pies in two minutes.

Don't miss...

As well as ILVE and Faber, look out for a collection of Majestic range cookers.

kitchenex.co.uk

Chesneys

What's new?

One of the UK's leading fireplace specialists has moved its flagship store to a new 3500sq ft home in Hampstead, north west London, with plenty of room for browsing the extensive range of stoves, gas and electric fires, surrounds and accessories.

Where is it?

Head to 147 Haverstock Hill, London, just down the road from Belsize Park Underground Station.

Why go?

With both modern and traditional styles on offer, you'll find plenty of designs to suit your home. Chesneys's experts are also there, lending a helping hand to ensure you pick the right size and fuel type for your property and location.

Don't miss...

A range of stunning fire surrounds Kelly Hoppen designed exclusively for the brand.

chesneys.co.uk

Benjamin Moore

What's new?

One of the best-known paint brands in North America is making waves in the UK as it launches its Chelsea showroom, only two years after first emerging in the British online market.

Where is it?

Visit the first UK showroom at 263 Fulham Road, Chelsea.

Why go?

There are more than 3500 shades of paint to peruse in the 1300sq ft showroom, including an impressive 7m-long wall of colour. You'll be spoilt for choice and sure to find a shade to suit your scheme – but if you can't choose just one, the in-house consultants are on hand to assist.

Don't miss...

Talking to one of the paint experts in store who can advise on the best shades, more suitable paint finishes and ways to coordinate palettes.

benjaminmoorepaint.co.uk



Laundry baskets

Forget dumping washing where the eye can't see. Pretty and practical, you'll want to keep these stylish designs on display



Charmer basket, £100, Habitat.
habitat.co.uk



Kaisa lidded Berber basket, £49, Myakka.
myakka.co.uk



Rope laundry basket, £25, Soak & Sleep.
soakandsleep.com



Large storage basket in Soft Pink, £50,
Bobby Rabbit.
bobbyrabbit.co.uk



Lene Bjerre Mai basket set, £210,
Sweetpea & Willow.
sweetpeaandwillow.com



Spear laundry basket by Ferm Living,
£59, Amara.
amara.com



Gray & Willow woven laundry basket, £35,
and matching bin, £12, House of Fraser.
houseoffraser.co.uk



Grid laundry basket, £139,
Lime Lace.
limelace.co.uk



Sunburst seagrass storage basket set,
£35, JD Williams Home.
jdwilliams.co.uk

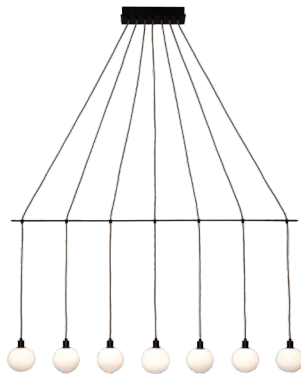
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Orb Lighting

Embrace an Art Deco influence with the latest lighting trend – we've rounded up the best of the bunch



Mezzo Flush wall light, £324,
CTO Lighting.
ctolighting.co.uk



SkLO drape linear chandelier, from £800,
Holloways of Ludlow.
hollowaysofludlow.com



Caspa 2 table lamp, £332,
Brostec Copenhagen.
brostecopenhagen.com



Jazz double wall light, £228,
David Hunt Lighting.
davidhuntlighting.co.uk



Meurice five-arm wall sconce, £295,
Jonathan Adler.
uk.jonathanadler.com



Calm cluster ceiling pendant,
£79, Very.
very.co.uk



Loop table lamp, £75,
Oliver Bonas.
oliverbonas.com



Selin cluster light, £90, Debenhams.
debenhams.com



Medium globe pendant light, £519,
Original BTC.
originalbtc.com

Decorative nightstands

Who said bedside tables can't be bold? Here are our favourite statement styles of this season



Heritage small nightstand, £5051,
Boca do Lobo.
bocadolobo.com



Mother of Pearl inlay bedside chest,
£349, Atkin & Thyme.
atkinandthyme.co.uk



Twisted Harp side table, £125,
The French Bedroom Company.
frenchbedroomcompany.co.uk



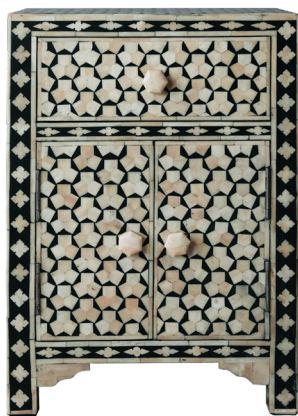
Harlequin three-drawer chest, £2950,
Jonathan Adler.
uk.jonathanadler.com



Saffron storage box in Grey Diamond,
£149, Swoon Editions.
swooneditions.com



Graceful three-drawer cabinet, £105,
Red Candy.
redcandy.co.uk



Beaumont bone inlay bedside table, £475,
Graham and Green.
grahamandgreen.co.uk



Pair of hexagonal mirrored side tables, £245,
Out There Interiors.
outthereinteriors.com



Decorated red bedside cabinet,
£645, Orchid.
orchidfurniture.co.uk

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