

testpots



^ i'll drink to that

littala has created the universal drinking glass. Called Ote, meaning 'grip' in Finnish, the Aleksi Peräiä-designed range comes in three forms to fit perfectly in all-sized hands. Crafted to be as good to use as they are to hold, Ote is sure to become a design classic. This glassware embodies littala's ethos of creating lasting everyday design to combat the phenomenon of throwawayism.

Priced from \$42, Ote is available in a range of natural mix-and-match colours. For details, contact IMO, 09 373 4081.

easy on the eye

Using fractions and multiples of whites and neutral shades is a great way to create an appealing tonal scheme. And following on from the popularity of neutral paint colours such as Resene Sisal, Resene Napa and Resene

Tea, Resene has added four strength variations of each of these sought-after shades to the new Resene Whites and Neutrals flat chart. This chart is a subset of The Range Whites and Neutrals, and is a handy reference to the most frequently chosen Resene whites and neutrals. The new chart is available at your local Resene ColorShop or you can order it online from www.resene.co.nz or www.resene.com.au.



Resene
Napa 

Resene
Rhapsody 



^ a matter of intelligence


The stylish and quietly understated roller blind has always been a fashionable choice, but good looks aside, the reason for the huge upsurge in popularity is due to new intelligent fabrics and a contemporary colour palette. Window Treatments NZ use the world's best roller blind fabric by French company Mermet. The breakthrough in roller blind fabric technology began when Mermet invented a transparent sunscreen fabric that could manage the effects of sun, heat and privacy while preserving a view to the outdoors. Now these screen fabrics can reduce energy consumption by up to 33% and block up to 96% of UV rays.

For a free quote call 0800 36 36 39 or visit www.window-treatments.co.nz.

how delightful! >

New Zealand fashion designer Andrea Moore and interior design incubator JOUGdesign have combined their talents to create the Delightful light shade to complement any contemporary living space. Designed with a minimalist approach, its clean lines create a bold statement. The launch shade features a striking floral pattern in red on a white background. And every six months, Andrea will select a new fabric for the next incarnation of this must-have light shade. Each shade comes in a beautifully crafted art box with a light holder unit, wiring and a ceiling rose sourced from Italy. At \$495, the Delightful light shade is available online at www.delightful.co.nz and at selected stockists.



Resene
Honeymoon 

< blocks of colour

Stevenson has recently expanded its range of stocked DryBlock Architectural Masonry products. Homeowners can now choose from three off-the-shelf shades – Fire Ash, Kohl and Pumice – with others available to order. For those wanting a painted or plastered finish on their blockwork, DryBlock Plasta is now also available ex stock. Both Stevenson products feature unique DryBlock technology that greatly enhances the weathertightness of your walls.

Visit www.stevenson.co.nz/home/ for further details.

Resene
Brownie Points 

sitting pretty >

Full, rounded forms and soft, flowing lines characterise the Agape Pear series, designed by Patricia Urquiola. This collection of wall-mounted ceramic fittings was inspired by the shape of this curvaceous fruit. The Pear series is available in white fire clay in dual colour or screenprinted, patterned versions. The use of two colours was devised to highlight the plasticity of the forms and visually enhance the curves of the washbasin. The suspended WC is fitted with a sprung hinge, allowing the lid to be lowered gently. Visit www.matisse.co.nz for more details.



in hot water

If you think a spa pool is just too expensive to run, think again. The Hot Spring Portable Spa is, in fact, extremely energy efficient, costing as little as 73 cents a day. Features such as full foam insulation, hydraulically efficient plumbing, specially designed pumps and heaters, and energy-efficient filtration systems, make Hot Spring Portable Spas the most energy efficient on the market, according to recent independent testing. Unlike the old in-ground spas, the modern Hot Spring sits above ground on a deck or patio and is portable. Just fill it with water from the garden hose and plug it into a standard power outlet. For details, call 0800 468 777 or visit www.hotspring.co.nz.

Resene
Instinct 



^ wallpaper goes virtual

First there was the Resene online paint swatch library, now you can view more than 2500 wallpaper swatches online on the Resene website. The swatches can be downloaded as jpegs so you can save and email them. Search for what you want using the wallpaper name or code, or view a full range by selecting from the wallpaper range list. And to make things really easy, you can even search by colour, pattern and texture. Simply click 'preview' to view a larger sample and swatch information. Visit www.resene.co.nz/swatches/wallpaper.

Resene
Wild Thing 




^ perfection in reflection

The new Reflection range of Gas Flamefires from Rinnai combines the latest in technical innovation with the best in contemporary style. The range has an increased energy efficiency rating, letting you effectively heat your home without it costing a fortune.

Rinnai's Reflection range comes in three installation styles to ensure it can work its warming magic in any home: Advance for installation into existing masonry fireplaces, Amplify for floor-mounted zero-clearance installation, and Elevate (pictured) for suspended installation. In order to make a Reflection fire look at home in your place, the three installation styles are available in three colours: pearlescent black, dark bronze and champagne silver.

See www.rinnai.co.nz for your nearest stockist.

Resene Moonbeam 



sure footed >

Feltex has just launched a new range of carpets specially developed for the New Zealand market. Made from 100% pure wool, Feltex Classic Tirano epitomises relaxed style and luxury. With a colour palette of six shades inspired by nature, it features a superior-quality chunky cut-pile yarn and comes with a 10-year Residential-Wear warranty. Feltex Classic Tirano is available at selected retailers nationwide.

Phone 0800 100 008 or visit www.feltexcarpets.co.nz for your nearest stockist.



^ storage supremo

Made in Italy by Zanette, the 'Open' wardrobe system can be fully customised both internally and externally, and is designed to fit any room. Exclusively available from Ashton Grove, Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. For details, visit www.ashtongrove.co.nz.

Resene Buffalo 




< inspired by the sea

Lladro bath incorporates the best in Spanish porcelain and designer bathroom fixtures. Inspired by the Mediterranean, the first collection features the Nautilus and Odyssea series. Nautilus takes its name from the sea mollusc replicated in white porcelain, while Odyssea recreates the shell of a sea urchin in alluring matte black. For more information, phone 09 377 7399 or visit www.inovo.co.nz.

Resene Belladonna 



timeless textiles >

Resene Ashanti 

Blurring the line between art and function, South Island-based textile designer Sarah Martin of Rare Edition Designs creates expressive and soulful limited-print-run, hand screen-printed textiles. Her new-season collections are printed on quality linens, hems and linen-hemp blends, imparting a warmth and richness to the finished items. These include stylish interior and personal accessories such as lampshades, cushions, wall-art panels, fabric-bound notebooks and albums, as well as leather-trimmed handbags and travel wallets. Inspired by what moves her, rather than mass-market trends, Sarah's designs are a blend of classic and contemporary elements.




Visit www.rareeditiondesigns.co.nz for details.

^ all black victory

All-black wallpapers are showing winning form in the design world. Night shades of Tuxedo, Charcoal and Moonbeam are appearing on walls in bedroom and other interior spaces. Drama Queen, from the Vision Glamour collection, brings mood and an element of polish to walls throughout the day and night.

Visit www.visionwalls.co.nz for details.


flower power

Resene
Altitude 

Roma is the newest concept range from Catalano, Italy, and will fit with any design style. A relief floral pattern is a special feature of the design, however, basins and shower trays are also available without it. Eleven basin shapes or sizes are included in the collection; six can be wall hung or semi fitted and five are counter-top lay-on. Three shower trays have been created with an anti-slip relief finish based either on the floral pattern or a linear rib. The range also has wall hung and floor standing WCs and bidets as well as a close coupled WC.

Call toll free 0508 499 411 or email sales@plumb-line.co.nz for brochures.




Resene
Tea 



^ flat testpot

Can't be bothered fussing with testpots and brushes? Try out your colour without having to lift a paintbrush. With the new Resene Testpatch, the painting is done for you – just peel off the back of the Testpatch and attach it to the area you want to paint so you can view it at different times of the day. Then peel it off again and relocate it as you choose. Initially available in the top 20 Resene colours, each Testpatch consists of Environmental Choice-approved Resene Lumbersider waterborne satin, printed on sustainable, repositionable self-adhesive stock.

Available from Resene ColorShops.

Resene
Tonto 

v reasonable rangehood

An innovative and stylish new rangehood is one of the most practical and budget-conscious rangehoods available. Featuring modern minimalist designs in both stainless steel and white, Robinhood's Compact Canopy will automatically switch off in the event of a cooking disaster or fire, preventing flames and sparks from being sucked into the rangehood. A series of multilayered micromesh filters effectively traps grease and a high-performance extraction fan rapidly removes steam, smells and smoke from the kitchen. Combining modern halogen lighting and easy to use switches, Robinhood's Compact Canopy filters are also dishwasher safe. The canopy can either be a visible feature in the kitchen or built into a cupboard above the cook top.

Priced from \$159, from leading appliance retailers nationwide.





inside out

Bifolding doors are perfect for creating seamless indoor-outdoor flow. Pacific Suite bifolding doors come with a range of great features such as concealed roller gear and optional flat-surfaced sills for easy cleaning; as well as double-glazing and in-frame passive ventilation for added comfort. The Pacific Suite range includes the Foldback® Bifold with door panels that fold open 180 degrees to lie flat against the side of the house; the Euroslider™ which features special externally sliding panels to ensure greater weathertightness; and the Eurostacker which eliminates the need for conventional bottom tracks and rollers. For more information, visit www.fletcheraluminium.co.nz.

i see red

The Resene paint colourspace has expanded again with the introduction of a double-strength magenta tinter. As a result, new reds have been created for The Range 2008, allowing for a greater selection of shades. Not only has this highly concentrated tinter widened the choice of reds available, but it has the added advantage of reducing unwanted tinter by-products in the paint to provide a more durable coloured finish.

timeless timber >

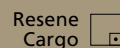
Crafted from a solid piece of 'rediscovered' aged timber, the Gallery Side Table, from the Gallery range, encapsulates the raw beauty of nature. Each piece is handcrafted and reflects nature's own unique signature as well as the inherent strength and beauty of the preserved native timber. The limited-edition Gallery range is available through Davies Furniture, www.daviesfurniture.co.nz or the designmade showroom, phone 09 909 6198.



coffee in bed >

Fairydown has expanded its coffee-themed range of Espresso feather and down blankets with the addition of a new dark-charcoal hue. This versatile blanket adds a warm extra layer during winter or makes an ideal alternative to a summer duvet. Machine-washable and generously sized to tuck in or drape over the bed, the Espresso blanket now comes in six fashionable colours, with matching pillowcases also available.

For information, phone 0800 936 223 or visit www.fairydownbedware.co.nz for your nearest stockist.



< wash day gets better



Robinhood's new Supertub Laundry Workstation is a multi-purpose, readily assembled work bench designed specifically for the laundry, but not just for washing up. It is ideal for confining mess and great for cleaning mucky shoes, sports equipment, paint brushes, messy craft things, washing large oven dishes and even bathing the dog!

Featuring a deep tub, ample bench space and designer sliding drawers, the Supertub Laundry Workstation solves the problems of mess, inadequate storage and bench space. It also brings a designer look to the laundry with its modern gooseneck tap.

Available nationwide from leading retailers for around \$1399.



^ a taste of Italy

The popular and stylish Veneto terrazzo paving range has been given a refreshing makeover. The new range is characterised by subtle textures and the introduction of seven contemporary colours, including the natural tones of soft creams and whites as well as darker greys and charcoals. Stevenson's Veneto terrazzo pavers are available in 500mm x 500mm format with a matching bullnose paver of the same dimensions.

For more information, visit www.stevenson.co.nz/home/.

Resene Double Spanish White 

v feel good factor

The new Rockcote Resene Monotek System lets you customise your home's exterior using your choice from a wide range of textures and finish effects. With options to suit both modern and traditional homes, the system is applied by registered Rockcote plasterers throughout New Zealand to ensure the best quality finish. See the Resene The Range Textures & Specialist Effects fandeck for Rockcote Resene Monotek system topcoating options. Fandecks are available for viewing at Resene ColorShops.



living smarter

With homeownership costs continuing to rise, we're all looking for ways to reduce the bills. Your Guide to a Smarter Home has a range of no- or low-cost tips to help you reduce your household's energy use, saving you money and making your home healthier – all while helping the environment. It covers topics such as insulation, heating, appliances and lighting, as well as buying a home, building and maintenance. Phone 0800 242 243 for a copy of the booklet or visit www.smarterhomes.org.nz for more details.

