

International design report

All the trends from 2013's London Design Week and Maison et Objet fair in Paris

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TREND ALERT: RETRO GEOMETRIC



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You don't need a mathematical mind to appreciate geometric style. At the fairs, it was all about retro patterns and the nostalgic colours of the '50s and '60s.

1. London textile designer Tamasyn Gambell's graphic prints are inspired by the Art Deco movement. From \$100.60* (GBPE60); tamasyngambell.com.

2. Crafted by hand from sustainable materials, Sibley Grove's single-fold lampshades come in a rainbow of cheerful colours; sibleygrove.com.

3. Sian Elin's 'Tress' wallpaper mixes Moorish design with mid-century flair. From \$150.90* (GBPE90)/10m roll; sianelin.com.



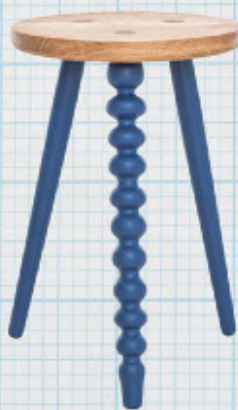
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Nostalgic **retro** references and bold **primary hues** were out in force at this year's international fairs

{designers to watch}



Brothers Matthew and Andrew Galvin joined forces in 2012 hoping to build on their father's 61 years of cabinet-making experience. The duo places traditional joinery techniques and attention to detail at the heart of their cutting-edge designs. 'Moonshine' footstool, \$654.50* (GBPE390); galvinbrothers.co.uk.



WE LOVE... CURVY CHAIRS

Talk about being welcomed with open arms. The 'Catch' chair, designed by famed Spanish artist Jaime Hayon for British brand And Tradition, was inspired by the seductive nature of curves. "The key to the design was the creation of a flexible, comfortable shape that would adjust to various body types with its modern and inviting form," says Jaime. Visit andtradition.com.

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TOP 3 handmade wallpapers

Whimsical wallpapers made a mark at the design fairs.

1. Daniel Heath's 'High-Wire' wallpaper is inspired by the wonders of the circus. From \$419.55* (GBP£250)/10m roll; danielheath.co.uk

2. Joanna Corney's 'Deco Building' wallpaper celebrates all things architectural. From \$142.60* (GBP£85)/10m roll; joannacorney.co.uk

3. Enjoy a cool change with Abigail Edwards' 'Storm Clouds' wallpaper. From \$125.90* (GBP £75)/10m roll; abigaileedwards.com

WE LOVE...

MOODY MIRRORS

A clever reinterpretation of traditional distressed style, Petite Friture's 'Francis' mirror is coloured with chromatic pigments which create an other-worldly watercolour effect; petitefriture.com.

{designer to watch}

A stand-out star from London Design Week was Finnish-born designer Natasha Lawless. She creates cushions with an eco edge, made from sustainable materials such as organic leather and Scottish wool. With an eye for timeless design, she aims to tell a story with each of her pieces.

'Ilua' cushions, from \$268.40* (GBP£160); visit natashalawless.co.uk



TOP 3: WILD FINDS

Top designers followed their animal instincts and delivered pieces inspired by creatures and critters.

1. It won't fetch your slippers but Clotilde & Julien's 'Get Out!' dog lamp will certainly light up your life; visit cnjc.fr

2. The most stylish watchdog ever, 'Rex' is crafted from laminate and comfortably seats two; visit ibride.fr

3. The oak 'Deer Shelf' from Be Design pays homage to the noble nature of wild stags; visit bedesign.fi

