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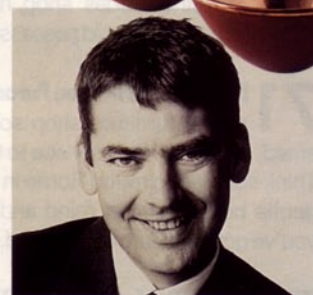
**ROOMS ON WHEELS!**  
A RADICAL FAMILY HOUSE





# 63 DISHY DESIGNERS

Oh, what the hell, another good reason to give some of these boys some work. Commission away and damn the consequences!



**64 Bill Amberg:** leather man with a panache for handbags. Ask him nicely – he might do you a leather bowl or even a floor; 10 Chepstow Rd, W2 (0171 727 3560).



CHRIS TUBBS

**65 Roy Sant:** refreshingly ballsy with products to match, even if he does believe that they're 'open to interpretation', Roy Sant (0171 704 1592).



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**67 Eric Degenhardt:** he who designed the glorious bench on page 54, as part of his sleek Uniques range. Pretty good description all round! Call (0049 221 923 4460).

## 66 Michael Anastassiades

Smooth and suave, this former engineer turned designer marries art and design. See his latest project at the Halepi restaurant (page 28) for a taster (0171 928 7527).



SEAMUS NICOLSON

**68 Matthew Hilton:** he's the one who did the Balzac chair (see ELLE DECO October 98). He's just done a chair for fab plastics company Authentics (0181 556 5353).



## 69 RUBBER AND LATEX

A 100% natural resource, one of the most directional materials around and ripe for interior manipulation. Check out the sexy stretchy furniture at Molecular Module like the 'Footstool' by Jozefien Gronheid, a latex rubber over metal frame number, £775, available to order at Mondon (0171 792 4633).



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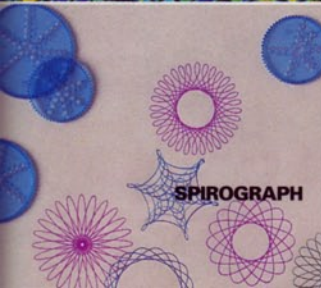
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## SPIROGRAPH

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# PATTERN AND GEOMETRICS

Neutralised out? Lighten up and ENJOY! Get some colour and pattern therapy (think Missoni stripes, Clements Ribeiro geometrics and Gucci psychedelia). It need only be a slash of stripes, or a block of geometrics... A little of what you fancy does you good.

**From top left: all tiles:** ceramic **circle designs** (15cm sq), made to order, from £40; **geometric glass** (10cm sq) made to order, from £40, by Amy Cushing@Mosquito (0181 715 5611 for commissions and info).

**All cards: metallic retro patterned greeting cards**, £3.90 each, from a selection at Wong Singh Jones (0171 792 2001). **Bottom:** make your own patterns, **spirograph**, by MB Games, £15.99, available from Selfridges (0171 629 1234). **Above: 'True Brit' multi-coloured micro-mini** (7cm L), £15, Paul Smith (0171 836 7828). **Above right: velvet/satin ribboned lampshades** (25/15.5/13cm Dia), £48, £42, £37, by Isabel Stanley (0171 209 2101 for info and stockists).

## 87 STATIC CARAVANS

All part of the 50s & 60s revival. It's trailer trash life with a sense of humour and the ultimate bolthole. With kitsch interiors and nifty design they're perfect for dangerous weekends a deux. You can pick up a static caravan from your nearest dealer; or why not buy it in situ at the site of your choice. The Caravan Club (01342 318813) has a list of sites and dealers.

88 MODERN =  
MODULAR

By which we mean furniture that comes in components. Makes sense really. You save up, you buy a sofa corner unit, you win the lottery, you buy an adjoining straight section and so on. It means you get the quality you want without having to dish the dosh in one hit. Plus, if you split with your partner, the furniture's already divided!

## 89 CAPSULE

As in a seriously pared-back collection of furniture (no more than 10 pieces) that seamlessly does it all – such a lovely concept. Sigh. Would that we all had such suitably pristine homes as befits a neat set of artfully strewn compact and multifunctional furniture. See **Joseph** (0171 591 0808) for some of the most immaculate stealth wealth stuff (all straight lines, dark wood and suede) as designed by queen of refined luxe and elegance India Mahdavi (her delicious Parisian apartment featured in ELLE DECO's Jan 99 issue).



ERIC MORIN

## 90 BENCHES

So adaptable (lie on it, sit on it, stack stuff on it) and the best bench we've seen in ages is hot off the stands from the Cologne furniture fair, and the product of German-based designer Eric Degenhardt (00 49 221 923 44 60); approx £1,500. Stainless steel with suede cushions – yum!



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## 91 COMMUNAL LIVING

**New-age living for the Y2K? Steady... sounds a tad hippyish, but then we've had the shaker furniture moment and incense burners so now the lifestyle – communal living?**

Well not exactly, simply club together with friends, buy the house of your dreams, take a floor each and share the communal bits. It's the new extended family – share nanny, garden and more. Or, rent a holiday cottage together for the whole summer and take turns using it at weekends.