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WOW!



Beaut bricks

Austral Bricks has opened an impressive new **CBD Design Studio** (pictured left) in Sydney. Pay a visit before October 7 and enter the draw to win an alfresco lifestyle pack worth over \$30,000. The prize includes Austral pavers, a vertical garden, a BBQ, fridge, sink, shopping vouchers and more.

Visit 1/50 Carrington Street, Sydney (opposite Wynyard Station). Call (02) 9830 7380; Australbricks.com.au

Laine and Nathan Johnson (pictured below with their daughter Willow) of Sydney's **Blacklist Studio Prints** create original, character-filled art prints - such as this amazing handcrafted map canvas - from their Cronulla studio. Check out their cool range and shop online at Blackliststudiosprints.com



Fave FINDS

Go Global
The Johnsons love their limited-edition *The Places We X*. Go **vintage map** \$450, Blackliststudiosprints.com. Bespoke canvas print.



LET IT SHINE

Sunnylife, that Melbourne-based purveyor of all things stripy and beachy, has released its new ranges for 2011/12. The all-Australian-designed lineup includes soft furnishings, tableware, outdoor furniture, beach towels, beach umbrellas, fashions... and ukuleles. Go the ukuleles! Head to Sunnylife.com.au for national stockists, or shop online.

Life's a...
Lavana **floor cushion** (70cm, left), and Patterson **cushion** in Orange (50cm), Sunnylife.

...beach!
Tootgarook **deckchair**. \$139.95, Sunnylife.

In the mix: Showcasing creative people and products that are **cool & covetable** - and sometimes worth a splurge!



BE SNEAKY

Marimekko, that great Finnish textile maker, has joined forces with archetypal American sneaker manufacturer **Chuck Taylor**. The result? Lots of cool sneaker styles and patterns to choose from.

Marimekko Chuck Taylor All Star Hi trainers. \$120, Converse. Available at Hype DC stores or online at Hypedc.com



Nifty nest
Vue Boutique Collection
"Deco" nest of 3 tables.
\$299, Myer.
Heights: 51cm, 46.5cm, 41cm. @

NESTING TABLES ARE A HOUSEHOLD MUST!
THIS ENAMELLED-STEEL SET IS SLEEK AND MODERN BUT WITH RETRO COLOURS.

Touch of glass
Sunnylife glass **pitcher**,
\$29.95, and **tumbler**,
\$39.95 for set of 4,
David Jones.

Hot seat
Fatboy "The Original"
beanbag in Red, \$595,
Hub Furniture Lighting Living.

Splash of colour
Patio By Jamie Durie 9L
smart measure **watering**
can, \$13.95, Big W.

Pretty patterns
TILES Reproduction Royal
(left), and reproduction
Circle in Blue/White, \$6.60
each (20cm x 20cm),
Jatana Interiors.

Colour combo
Melsgreen "Coupe" **dinner**
plates in Blue/White
& Lima/White, \$5.95 each,
Maxwell & Williams.

Lovin' lime!
Fermob "Luxembourg" rectangular
table, \$1495, Cotswold Furniture
Collection, 1.43m x 80cm.
Choose your custom colour.

BRIGHT & BOLD

Transform your outdoor space with
this **colourful collection** of
furniture & accessories

Fab find
Mimosa folding **picnic table**,
\$129 for 3-piece setting, Bunnings.
Includes 2 chairs, not shown.

Bold blue
Replica Philippe Starck "Prince
AHA" **stool** in Blue, \$59, Matt
Blatt. Also available in Red,
White, Black or Yellow.

Bright basics
Safety PVC **hose** in
Yellow, \$4.02 a metre,
Hoseonline.com.au

Punchy pink
Fermob "Luxembourg"
low **armchair**, \$795,
Cotswold Furniture
Collection. As above.

Snoozy shades
Rainbow 10cm hanging **votives**
in assorted
colours, \$6.95 each, Freedom.
Forstockists, see page 193.

MOSAIC MODERN

Water therapy

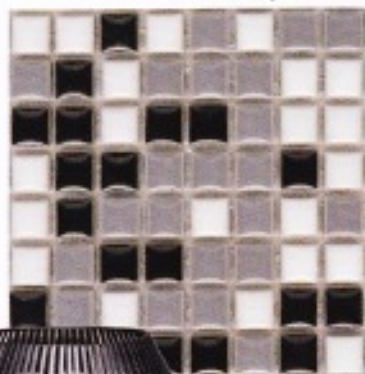
This bathhouse-style space, complete with beautiful mosaics, is the perfect place to unwind and relax.

TAKING ITS CUES from a traditional **Turkish bathhouse**, this room features an exquisite mosaic bath. The style may be ancient, but the colour scheme is bang up to date, with the zinc-hued wall and black concrete floor reflected in the **monochrome tiles**. The timber bench has more of a Scandinavian-sauna feel, but in this modern adaptation, it makes perfect sense. **1**



Stylish simplicity
Raymor "Torino" bath & shower mixer, \$249.

Cool shades
Glazed Micromosaic blend tile, \$145 a sq m, Academy Tiles.



Exotic vibe
Large curved lantern, \$39.95, Sunnylife.



Sauna style
Mimosa "Brighton" bench, \$119, Bunnings.
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