

**Gift ideas
under
\$100**

→ **Ice cold**
Cuisinart stainless steel ice cream maker, \$99.95, www.cuisinart.com.au.



← **Life's a beach**
Velour beach towel, \$60.95, Citta Design, www.cittadesign.com.



↑ **Roll out and relax** Gelato beach mat with cushion, \$96.95, Citta Design, www.cittadesign.com.

↘ **Fun in the sun** Marrakech umbrella, \$79.95, SunnyLIFE, www.sunnylife.com.au.



**Gift ideas
blow the
budget**

→ **Switched on**
Astoria table lamp, \$260, Paradigm Lighting & Living, 102 King William St, Kent Town 8363 0600.



← **In the mix**
Magimix 3200 food processor, \$599, www.magimix.com.au.

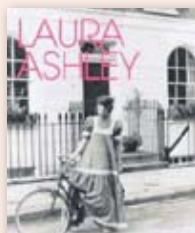
↓ **Sounds of summer** Fashion PAL, \$399, Audio Dynamics, www.tivoliaudio.com.au.



→ **A good drop**
Cuisinart thermoelectric wine cellar, \$399, www.cuisinart.com.au.



TOPFIVE
Must-read books for the year



Laura Ashley
by Martin Wood
(\$89.95, Frances Lincoln)

Known for gorgeous interiors and clothes, the story of Laura Ashley is a fascinating one. Beginning with textiles she designed and printed at home in her flat in the 1950s, Woods explores how she started selling dresses, launched a range of household textiles and furnishings, and became a style phenomenon.

Country Estates of Australia
by Janelle McCulloch
(\$34.95, New Holland Publishers)

From quaint country homes to grand manors, sophisticated gentlemen's retreats and sweeping pastoral stations, *Country Estates* is the perfect reference for those looking for greener pastures. The book depicts the romance, history and dignity of country homes that continue to surprise and wonder.



Wallpaper: The Ultimate Guide
by Charlotte Abrahams
(\$75, Quadrille/Hardie Grant Books)

This ultimate guide to wallpaper is divided into areas of design; pasted pictures, fabulous florals and architectural illustrations. Each section begins with what's happening now and then traces the history via key moments, developments, designers and manufacturers to the origins of the style with images as a guide.



Design Museum: Contemporary Design
by Catherine McDermott
(\$75, Carlton Books)

The pioneers of modern design come together in a collection of the most important and influential pieces of design. The almost 400 best and most enduring examples of modern design leap off the pages of this colourful book.



Houses of Steel
by Stephen Craft
(\$49.95, Images Publishing)

Living Steel is a worldwide program designed to stimulate innovative and responsible housing design and construction, and the wonderful *Houses of Steel* presents the winning and finalist schemes from the three competitions held to date.

