

DESIGN FOCUS

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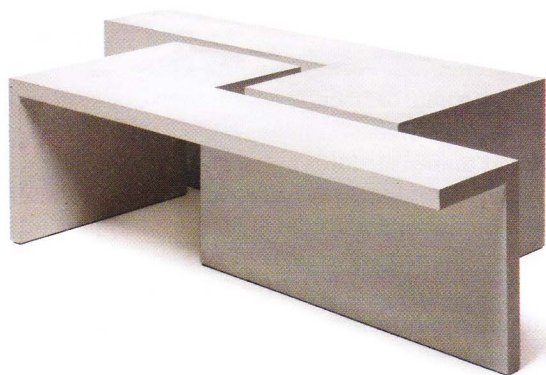
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This season's designs ooze Swiss coolness and add instant sophistication to your home with bold lines and geometric shapes. Some of the pieces that we look at in this issue also reflect current trends towards more multi-functional models that incorporate a variety of practical uses or different visual effects.

KONKRET MÖBEL

TABLE: KONKRET IV TABLE

Looking for an unusual centrepiece for your lounge? This eye-catching concrete coffee table, designed by Tim Häberlin, consists of two identical pieces that can be slotted together like a jigsaw puzzle. If you fancy a change, just adjust the position of the two pieces to give the room an instant makeover. CHF 1,400. www.konkret-moebel.ch



SCHINDLERSALMERON

SEAT: ALUHOCKER

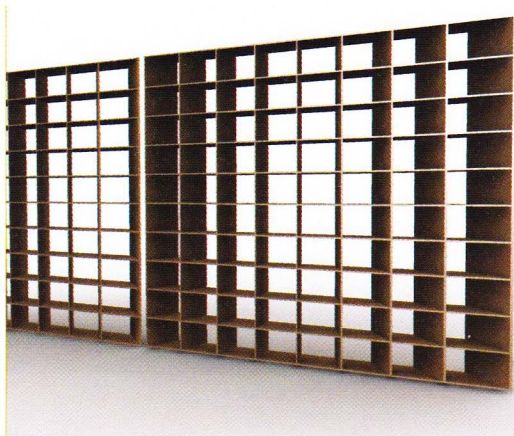
These attractive, stackable aluminium stools are the latest innovation to come from Switzerland-based design team Christoph Schindler and Margarita Salmerón Espinosa. The lightweight design is available in silver, white or black, and at just 1.6 kg, can easily be whipped out when you have guests round for dinner. Price available on request. www.schindlersalmeron.com



CHARLES O. JOB

ROOM DIVIDER/SHELF: DIV

Shelf space is always useful and Zurich-based Nigerian designer Charles O. Job has created this sleek structure that functions both as a shelf and a room divider. The design was a finalist in the prestigious International Furniture Design Competition 2008 held in Japan and its slanted vertical partitions can appear open or closed depending on where you're standing in relation to it. Further details available on request. www.charlesjob.com



EINZELHEITEN

LIGHTING: TUBULAR LAMP

If you are looking for a simple yet chic way to illuminate your home this spring, why not try these patterned lamps? Each of the two mesmerising designs, made of Plexiglas and covered in specially coated paper, adds colour and style to any room, day or night. CHF 480. www.einzelheiten.ch

