

Fabulous freezers, high-end interiors trends, funky kitchen goods and blocking out glare

Sails of the century

IF YOU have a large glazed area that needs to be screened off, and blinds or curtains are just not an option, then an architectural detail, more commonly found in commercial spaces, might just be the solution you need. Blowing-based company tensARC has just launched Freeform sails, the first product of its sort to be made available easily and affordably to the domestic market. Ideal for reducing heat or solar glare in conservatories, adding definition to large spaces, or just for creating a focal point, the sails are lightweight and versatile and don't need professional installation. The sails can be used flat, sculpted into 3D forms, overlapped or layered, and once in place, they will retain their taut, smooth finish no matter what shape they are formed into. The sails are available in more than 30 colours and the company can also print your own images on to them. Prices start at £110 excluding VAT (www.tensarc.co.uk)



Send a message about the chores

AS A reaction to the popular 'Keep Calm and Carry On' products that seem to be everywhere at the moment, funky website Hunkydory Home has launched its own version of the design - fridge magnets and pocket mirrors bearing the slogan 'Don't Tell Me To Keep Calm'. There are plenty of other tongue-in-cheek products on this funky and eclectic site - motivational tea towels allow you to get the message across without sounding like a nag. The 'Just Do It' tea towel complete with scrubbing brush, together with the 'Do The Dishes'

towel are the perfect gifts for the lazy bones around your house. You could also suck up to your boss with a 'Big Cheese' plate or to your friends with 'Top Banana' or 'Tree Hugger', from the range of funky tableware. Hunkydory Home (0191 645 4004, www.hunkydoryhome.co.uk)

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The big chill



IF YOU'RE looking for an easy way to update the look of your kitchen, but without the hassle of a complete overhaul, then a new statement piece might be all you need, and nothing creates a focal point like a shiny new appliance. The new CVB20 freezer from Smeg is the company's first standalone tall freezer from its popular Retro range. Combining high-end technology with seamless style, the freezer has a gross capacity of a huge 197 litres, and is rated A+ for energy efficiency. It also features the smooth curves and bold finishes that have earned

Smeg a reputation for iconic design. And, as it's available in dazzling orange, bright red, smooth cream and sophisticated black, there's bound to be a colour that suits your tastes. Your only problem will be buying enough food to fill it.

Smeg CVB20 freezer starts at £1100 (0870 990 9907 www.smegretro.co.uk)

Upmarket Italian stylings

ITALIAN FASHION empire Missoni has long been a key player in high-end interiors, and you'll find its influence on almost every high street trend. Now, the Missoni Home 2009 collection has been launched online, through luxury website Amara. This year's collection is all about a versatile look for both an indoor and outdoor setting. Missoni talks of the sculptural forms of cacti, their silhouettes and rare flowers. Stencil effects, tempera paintings and Indian ink drawings reproducing elements of the plant world. The details interweave and mould into the dynamic geometry of stripes and checks, the essence of the Missoni aesthetic. One of the best sellers of Missoni Home has traditionally been its colourful and luxurious range of towels and towelling products, and this season's selection is set to be just as desirable, with five new designs available online. We love the string floral print of the Kira range. From £170 for a bathrobe, Missoni Home. Available at www.amara.co.uk

