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In this issue of WorkLife, Sanjay Prasad, designer at NoChintz, looks at the iconic Wallpaper* Magazine awards...



WALLPAPER* MAGAZINE AWARDS - A DESIGNER'S PERSPECTIVE

Wallpaper* magazine has consistently championed the cutting edge of leading ideas in design, architecture, furniture and interiors, so when the winners of its awards are released it's wise to take note of their choices. While the products are often from the premium sector with prices to match, their influence will be huge. From the myriad of winners here's a sample of what might be inspiring the products you purchase for your home in the near future.

BEST DOMESTIC DESIGN

'Slowcooker' by Margriet Foolen, for Royal VKB

New kitchen equipment is rarely both great to look at and gives a genuine enhancement in cooking technique.

Margriet Foolen however has managed to combine the two with the Slowcooker made by Royal VKB. It works by being placed in the cooker and steaming all the ingredients inside, with no loss of flavour or nutrients, needless to say it's a very healthy means of cooking. To do that alone would be great yet it would look great sitting on the centre of your dining table and is also very reasonably priced at £40.



BEST RUG

'Furtive Persan' by Jean-Marie Massaud for Gandia Blasco

Jean-Marie Massaud for Gandia Blasco has created the Arabesque rug which beautifully re-interprets traditional Persian rugs into a modern context.

Gandia Blasco better known for their exquisite outdoor furniture have a lesser-known but equally accomplished range of rugs, attracting the very best of designers to work for them. Furtive Persan makes so many rugs available recently seem utterly dull in comparison. Available from £1,700.



BEST CHAIR

'Cord Chair' by Nendo for Maruni

A stunning chair which has seemingly done the impossible by coming up with a new construction technique.

Wooden legs measuring 15mm in diameter are reinforced with steel to create a strong yet delicate looking structure. Eye watering priced at £9,500, this represents a new direction for furniture that will, eventually, filter down to the masses.



You can look at the other winners of the Wallpaper* Awards at www.wallpaper.com

NoChintz specialise in interior design for private homes, property developers, office and retail space and events. The company was shortlisted for the Manchester Evening News Business of the Year Award 2009. If you would like a free consultation for your home please contact 0161 236 1412 info@nochintz.co.uk www.nochintz.co.uk