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PENCHANT FOR PENDANTS

Those in the know go to Hector Finch on Wandsworth Bridge Road for lighting. When a French factory making 20th-century-style ceramic lights went out of business, Hector's wife, Emma, redesigned the original, sourcing an artisan ceramicist in Italy to craft the Lucia range in ten colourways. The ring that fixes the pendant is based on Hector's wedding ring. From £235. hectorfinch.com



ART UNDER FOOT

Carpets have been cherished as works of art for centuries. Jan Kath's Artwork rug for Front layers colour and shapes like an abstract artist, while his Cloud series is inspired by the skies painted in Baroque artwork (from £1,850 per sq/m. frontrugs.com). Meanwhile floral artist Jeff Leatham has designed 14 silk rugs for Tai Ping. Unusually, he didn't use flowers as a starting point. 'Because he is a painter or architect of living organic form, we started with geometry and colour, his particular specialties,' says Tai Ping's Global Creative Director Jean-Pierre Tortil (taipingcarpets.com).

Design Notes

News and inspiration from the world of interiors

CUT FROM THE SAME CLOTH

THE BRITISH TEXTILE INDUSTRY IS THRIVING



BYE BYE BEIGE

In the words of Nina Campbell, 'There's nothing beige about Rachel Bates', which is why there could be no better interior designer to create a ten-colour range of paint for Little Greene. It's the first time the British paint company has collaborated with an interior designer in its 243-year history – no pressure then. £37 for 2.5l. rachelbatesinteriors.com



TOIL AND TILES

The industrial revolution might be an unlikely muse for a decorative mosaic, but Studio Job's collection for Bisazza features motifs, ranging from steam engines to Victorian work tools. The design duo also found inspiration in the dense macabre, helicopters and astronauts. *Finished Rose Gold*. £1,486 per sq/m plus VAT. bisazza.com

1 ANCIENT HISTORY

Soane Britain's new Tulips and Butterflies fabric was inspired by a fragment of ancient fabric lent by textiles collector Karun Thaker. From £290 p/m. soane.co.uk

2 OLD GUARD

Tradition meets cutting-edge in Suffolk. Fromental and Gainsborough have collaborated to realise archive classics in 21st-century technicolour. From £134 p/m. gainsborough.co.uk

3 PERFECT TEN

Artist Tim Robinson has designed a blanket inspired by Aldeburgh for Inigo Scott. For each throw purchased, ten children are given a blanket. £1,100. inigoscott.com

DONT MISS

Showrooms 'from the bridge to the bend' on the King's Road will open their doors for the Chelsea Design Quarter summer street party, where you can meet design dogeys like furniture designer Tom Faulkner, Christopher Sharp and Sally Storey. 9 June. chelseadesignquarter.co.uk



HOUSE RULES

Unlike other interior design fairs, The House Fair stages different rooms in the house to spark interiors inspiration, with over 100 brands participating. Co-located with the Spirit of Summer Fair at Olympia, our top picks include Turnpost's beds, which are hand-turned in Yorkshire and East London-based Jonathan Field's modern yet traditionally made furniture. 22-25 June. thehousefair.com