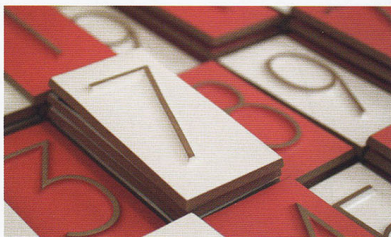


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What's in the air this month, edited by Nathalie Wilson



1 When it came to his furniture, Le Corbusier was wedded to tubular metal. But he did have a brief flirtation with wood – the offspring of which has been reissued by Cassina. The oak 'Table de Conférence' (left; 1958; £3,090) and 'Table de Travail avec Rayonnages' (1957; £2,994) are two of five items available. Ring 020 7014 5506, or visit cassina.com.

2 'Fleck designs, imitation stone, fake woods and other terrifyingly dated styles' were what Bill Tuckey and Lena Corner unearthed when they were digging around for block-colour vinyl flooring. The pair did eventually excavate something to their taste – and yours too, no doubt. Their recycled vinyl is available in 14 colours and costs £19 per sq m. Ring 020 7254 3526, or visit colourflooring.co.uk.

3 As the inspiration for her hand-printed linens and cottons, Ellie Curtis cites people- and animal-watching, anthropological collections and Medieval art that portrays sinister events in a beautiful light. Consequently, 18th-century-style silhouettes of Hieronymus Bosch-like creatures gambol across the surfaces of (from left) 'Animals of Andalusia', 'Birdjig' and 'Victorian Parade'. Prices are £55 per m. Ring 07811 122099, or visit elliecurtis.com.

4 Who better than Heath Ceramics to make clay house numbers using the 'Eames Century Modern' and 'Neutraface' typefaces developed by House Industries a decade ago. The company is, after all, one of America's last mid-century modern potteries. The 6×6- and 3×4-inch tiles are available from late spring in standard (shown); \$45 approx each) or bespoke colours. Ring 001 415 332 3732, or visit heathceramics.com.

5 *Sonnellino* – the name of this sofa by Giovanna Ticciati (£4,800 excluding fabric) – is Italian for cat-nap. And as the 19th-century-meets-1940s design can be dismantled to fit through awkward spaces, anyone can take a snooze on it. Ring 01798 342777, or visit giovannaticciati.com.