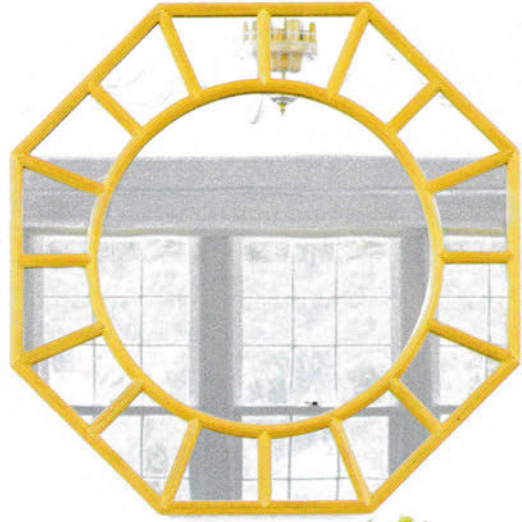


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Pick a card, any card—or rather, a card motif—on things you truly need: pistachio bowls and embroidered cocktail napkins! The suit symbols have been around since the Middle Ages; it's safe to say they're timeless investments.

Hand-Embroidered Linen Playing Card Cocktail Napkins. \$325 for eight. juliab.com. Pewter Nut Dishes. \$120 for set of four. croghansjewelbox.com

A deep, 360-degree seat to see and be seen!



Windsor Smith's Perfect Party Sofa

The Backstory

"Years ago, I started creating salon-style spaces that would let conversations flow throughout the room. This sofa was inspired by the *borne* settees I'd seen in France at Hôtel du Cap-Eden-Roc."

The Floor Plan

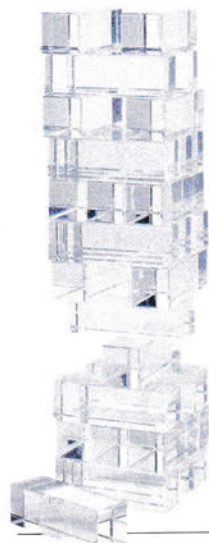
"It's a sculptural piece, so I'd put it in a room with a lot of negative

space—then you can really see it! It begs for a chandelier above."

The Playlist

"I first heard my favorite aria—Alessandro Safina's 'Luna Tu'—while driving up the Pacific Coast Highway. The party would stop for a minute if you played it! It's a religious experience."

Meridian Settee by Windsor Smith. 99" W x 70" D. \$14,820. centuryfurniture.com



Jenga 2.0

A global phenom of the 1980s that was first sold at Harrods, Jenga was invented in Ghana and means "to build" in Swahili. It's stacking up for a revival with this show-it-off acrylic variation. Deco Stacking Game. \$129. westelm.com



Iridescent lacquer adds dimension—but is easy to clean.

Thrills, Not Spills A little lip is a good thing, especially when it stops dice (or cocktails) from tumbling onto the rug. "This table has been part of my design vernacular for more than 25 years," says designer Jeffrey Bilhuber. "It's beauty married with practicality. I'm tired of tables that are terrifying to put a teacup on!" Bishop's Lane Cocktail Table in Textured Grey Finish by Jeffrey Bilhuber. 54" W x 42" D x 18" H. \$1,768. henredon.com

Trivia Night

Riddle us this: How well do you know your gaming history?

1. Which game did Tina Turner help popularize?

- A. Twister
- B. Backgammon
- C. Taboo

2. What was the Game of Life's original name?

- A. Mansion of Happiness
- B. Don't Be a Failure
- C. Risk

3. Audrey Hepburn played _____ with Gregory Peck on the set of Roman Holiday:

- A. Chess
- B. Clue
- C. Cards

4. Which board game helped imprisoned British soldiers in World War II?

- A. Battleship
- B. Monopoly
- C. Chutes and Ladders

5. What year did Monopoly become a bestseller?

- A. 1878
- B. 1935
- C. 1984