

EMOTION

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"I said to my father, 'Daddy, do you know Brad Pitt? I'm going to be in a movie with him!' And he said, 'I don't know him personally, but I'm glad you got a job.'"

LUPITA NYONG'O

AT HOME IN HOLLYWOOD

LUPITA NYONG'O – Once only insiders were familiar with the name. That was until the actress appeared in *12 Years a Slave*. The role of slave girl Patsy earned her the 2014 Academy Award for Best Supporting Actress. Since then, this daughter of a Kenyan politician hasn't had to worry about her future career. Most recently, the 31-year-old appeared in the action thriller *Non-Stop* alongside Liam Neeson and Julianne Moore, and right now she is working on the sequel to the *Star Wars* space epic. When that's in the can, she is scheduled to meet up with Brad Pitt again – together, the stars will be taking Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's award-winning novel *Americanah* to the silver screen. It tells the story of a young Nigerian seeking her fortune in the USA. That's all we know so far, apart from the name of the lead actress: Lupita Nyong'o.



TONE COLOURS

Optimal noise cancellation, crystal-clear sound and outstanding wear comfort are all headphone essentials. Bose Quiet Comfort headphones are already a popular choice with frequent fliers and music lovers but may now attract design aficionados with their latest range. Customers can choose from 46 colours to create their own personal look (currently only available through the firm's US website). BOSE.COM



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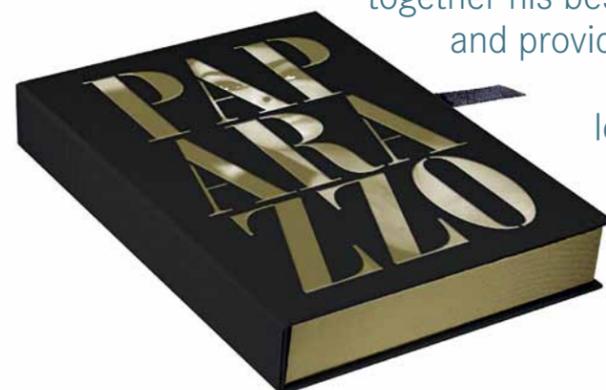
FLOWER POWER

Here's an idea which is stylish as well as clever. "Pi-no Pi-no" is a collection of interchangeable glass rings and wooden bases which stack together to create vases in different colours. Choose the colour combination that best suits or contrasts with the flowers you're displaying or take the flowers away, and use the sections as containers. Finnish designer Maija Puoskari used the same glass to create the Liuku hanging lamp. MAIJAPUOSKARI.COM



CAREER BEHIND A CAMERA

Elio Sorci wasn't just any old paparazzo, he was *the* paparazzo. In the 1950s and '60s, no star was safe from the Roman snapper's lens – not even Elizabeth Taylor or Marcello Mastroianni. When Sorci died in 2013, he left behind thousands of photos. *Paparazzo*. *The Elio Sorci Collection* brings together his best-known pictures



and provides a fascinating, unobstructed look behind the scenes of a golden era in film.

JAMES PARK



The 67-year-old Briton and his agency JPA Design fit out the interiors of aircraft, airport lounges and luxury hotels. The Singapore Airlines business class cabin designed by Park was recently crowned the world's best.

Mr Park, what makes your business class seat so different?

We radically changed the design of business class seats and created one which, in contrast to the usual offerings, can be converted fully into a flat bed. We worked for nearly 20 years on the execution of the design.

You also design hotels and lounges so what's the appeal of airline seats?

A good seat is what sets an airline apart. The more attractive and comfortable it is, the more at ease the people travelling in it will be. And it's a challenge to have so little space to work with but ultimately come up with a solution that covers all the bases – not only design and space, but also safety and entertainment.

What's the biggest challenge in designing for aircraft?

It's all about offering travellers a special experience. The requirements of airlines have changed radically over the years: they want more technology, more entertainment, but also lower and lower costs. Flying used to be far more luxurious.

How do you create that exclusivity in a world which is getting less exclusive all the time?

Genuine exclusivity is not something you'll find in most airlines nowadays, because first class is no longer a financially interesting proposition. In today's world, people who can afford first class tend to prefer a private jet. Real innovations are therefore only found in business and economy class now. Here, flying is getting more and more affordable, but also more comfortable.



FASHION TRIBUTE

THIS SPRING SEES the opening of a new exhibition at London's Victoria & Albert Museum featuring the work of the late fashion designer Alexander McQueen. Called "Savage Beauty", it will be the first and largest retrospective of the designer's work to be presented in Europe. The V&A exhibition, which opens 14 March and runs until mid-July, will showcase McQueen's visionary body of work spanning his MA graduate collection from 1992 through to his unfinished 2010/11 Autumn/Winter Collection. When the exhibition was shown at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, it became one of the most visited in the museum's history, ranking alongside that of Tutankhamen, the Mona Lisa and Picasso.

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HEADGEAR

A butterfly headdress of hand-painted turkey feathers 2008 (left), Jellyfish ensemble and Armadillo shoes 2010 (right), and "It's Only a Game", 2005 (below).



RUFFLED

A dress of dyed ostrich feathers and hand-painted microscopic slides, 2001.



POOLSIDE NOSTALGIA

PARIS For 60 years, the Piscine Molitor in the 16th Arrondissement was the most famous and visually stunning swimming pool in the French capital. The bikini even saw fit to celebrate its world premiere here in 1946, and the pool also hosted gala events. Legends like Johnny Weissmüller, Boris Vian, Françoise Sagan and Emanuelle Béart swam lengths here – until the increasingly ramshackle art deco building closed its doors in 1989 and the vandals moved in. Recently, however, the complex has reopened as a hotel and is busy rekindling its glamorous past. It was the location for the unveiling of the new C 63 Mercedes-AMG. The 124 rooms with modern appointments have been created around the 46-metre (150-ft) long historic outdoor pool. The complex also hosts its own spa, a restaurant headed by French Michelin-starred chef Yannick Alléno, and regular art exhibitions, all in keeping with its house motto "Pool – Art – Life". MLTR.FR



ELEGANT MIX

Art deco meets mid-century – this hotel bar was created by interior designer Jean-Philippe Nuel.



SUITE DREAMS

The rooms have a clean, clear design and offer a generously sized private terrace.



PRICKLY PAIR

Cardamaro has been around for over 100 years, but this artichoke and thistle liqueur is currently experiencing a surge in popularity. In Piedmont it's taken after a meal, whereas in the US it's more popular beforehand due to its mild aroma and delicate hint of wine. Aperitif or digestif: it's your choice. TOSTI.IT



ON A WING AND A CHAIR

Witnessing an ostrich stretching its wings in a display of courtship provided designer Sebastian Herkner with his inspiration for the Banjooli series, part of Moroso's Afrique collection. The garden chair is made under fair trade conditions in Senegal.

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