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## ECO-FRIENDLY

Internationally-acclaimed New Zealand-based designer David Trubridge says we don't need 'iconic' designs, we need a way to fulfil people's needs without creating waste and pollution

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# One way or another

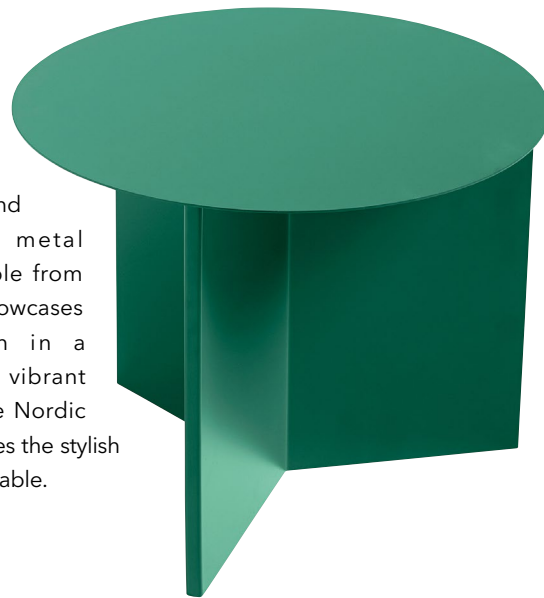
Whether it's because Pantone chose greenery it as its colour of the year 2017, or because sustainability has become an inherent factor in design – everything's gone green

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## Nordic appeal

Inspired by origami and translated into a metal universe, the Slit table from Danish brand Hay showcases geometric design in a minimalist way. The vibrant green taken from the Nordic colour palette leverages the stylish look of the metal side table.

[hay.dk](http://hay.dk)



## Fun charger

Based on the country's everyday life and wrought in the iconic style of the artist Bordallo Pinheiro, the eponymous brand's Cabbage charger plate is an exemplar of contemporary earthenware design. Interpreting the plant in its rough and flat form as a metaphor for Portugal's rustic ways, it adds a fun element to the dining table.

[international.bordallopinheiro.com](http://international.bordallopinheiro.com)



## Oriental inspiration

British luxury interiors purveyor de Gournay specialises in creating exquisite hand-painted wallpaper, fabrics, porcelain and hand-carved furniture. The St Laurent Chinoiserie wallpaper featuring custom turquoise Edo painted on Xuan paper is on-trend with the current fascination with Orient-influenced design.

[degournay.com](http://degournay.com)



## Read a tree

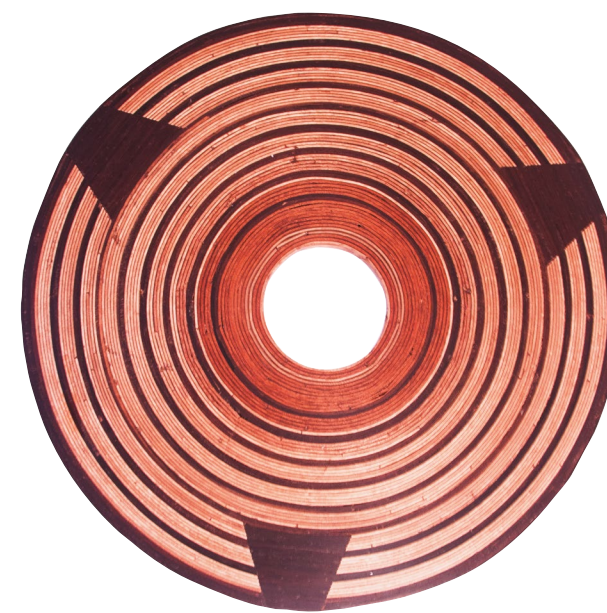
The Legend bookcase from Roche Bobois pays subtle tribute to the forest with its tree-like structure. The unique piece is crafted by self-taught designer Christophe Delcourt, known for creating elegant contemporary furniture that demonstrates a respect for the environment and a passion for natural materials.

[roche-bobois.com](http://roche-bobois.com)

## Out of the woods

Knock on Wood founder Aarti Aggarwal, a winner at *Perspective's* 40 Under 40 in 2016, says good design must be sustainable, functional and beautiful. With its rustic aesthetic, the newest Allies in Style table, comprising lengths of teak wood glued together without using a single nail, celebrates wood in its true form.

[knockonwood.in](http://knockonwood.in)



## From farm to table

The organic occasional table hammersvik by German manufacturer brühl is produced using an eco-friendly ethos. Massive beech tree trunks, with the characteristic cracks that result from the drying process, are cut into slices, debarked, planed and sanded, then whitewashed. The natural shape and tree rings form a contrast to modern decorations.

[www.bruehl.com](http://www.bruehl.com)



## Water saver

In collaboration with famed designer Philip Starck, the AXOR transparent mixer utilises high-quality, durable crystal glass manufactured in an eco-friendly manner. Plus, it handles water resources responsibly thanks to the flow limiter.

[axor-design.com](http://axor-design.com)



## Shades of green

Reminiscent of a cloud, the aluminium Nuage vase's eight tubular cavities pierce the surfaces of the modular element while also defining the form's outer contours. Created by French brothers Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec for Vitra, it's perfect for introducing greenery to the indoor space.

*Vitra.com Nuage vase by Ronan & Erwan Bouroullec for Vitra From £115*  
[Vitra.com](http://Vitra.com)

