

COFFEE TABLE

Safety Cushion.

London-based designer Inghua Ting always had a sharp eye for the beauty of unusual materials and was quick to turn her personal perspective into her label's trademark and asset: she mostly recycles industrial fabrics and transforms them into singular fashion and furniture accessories. For her the material that seat belts are made from seemed just right to be used for decorative – and extremely tough – cushions. Thus in her studio a specially trained team is presently busy hand-colouring and printing belts and weaving them into fancy cushion covers in many colours. Ting products are available in selected boutiques, museum shops and at

www.tingproducts.co.uk



GOODWILL

Quality Gift Ideas. N Magazine presents four naturally chic items to feel, smell and look good all year – and that even benefit the world around us too.



Clean Stuff.

4mula's barbox doesn't only help to make you pretty, it's a thing of beauty in its own right. What we have here is probably the only soap whose design was ever awarded a prize – and very rightly so, as the box doubles as a tray and thus keeps the washstand clean of any unattractive soap stains. Environmentally the barbox is also completely inoffensive. All 4mula products are based on absolutely pure supreme quality essential oils, two of which are energising while two others have a soothing effect. All ingredients are natural, of course fully biodegradable and come in recyclable packages exclusively.

www.4mula.com

GIFTS



Hand to Hand.

Anybody wearing this handmade silver-plated brass bracelet isn't only the owner of a unique piece of jewellery but also supports physically disabled people in Kenya. In special workshops they are taught how to manufacture jewellery and fashion accessories – work that they enjoy and helps them to gain a greater degree of (financial) independence. The bracelets can be ordered from People Tree, one of the first members of the globally recognised International Fair Trade Association. These days People Tree already has more than 70 partner organisations in over 20 Asian, African and Latin American countries.

www.peopletree.co.uk



A Whiff of Nostalgia.

The fragrances from the first limited edition perfume series of London company Wickle indubitably evoke sweet nostalgic feelings. However, this is less due to the perfumes themselves, available as they are in four different notes, but rather to the extraordinarily beautiful flacons in their vintage look. Old illustrations, maps and sketches decorate the glass bottles, each of which is a unique copy with a personal touch. Wickle has been producing perfumes and toiletries since 2004, attempting to create a new beauty that is born out of the beauty of times past and casually demonstrating how lovely recycling can be. All products can be conveniently ordered via Internet, gift-wrapped if you should desire it.

www.ticklemywickle.com