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All about tree

BRINGING NATURE INDOORS WAS AN IDEA CELEBRATED BY DESIGNERS OF THE ART NOUVEAU ERA, AND **PLANT FORMS ARE BACK AS A HOT INTERIORS TREND. JUMP ON THE BRANCH-WAGON** WITH JOCELYN WARNER'S STYLISH NEW TREE TOPS WALLPAPER, A BOLD, 21ST-CENTURY UPDATE IN SILVER FOIL.

£79 PER ROLL (JOCELYNWARNER.COM)



FRESH DELIVERY

Create your own Warhol-esque flower display with these unique vintage milk and juice bottles, dating from the Fifties to the Seventies. Don't sleep in, though – there's only a limited number. **£7.95 each** (pedlars.co.uk)

New stores alert! Natuzzi opens in Cardiff and Manchester (natuzzi.co.uk); Ligne Roset opens in Brighton (ligne-roset-brighton.co.uk)

£90

HIDE ON TIME

This chic, hide backpack from Buenos Aires-based designers Humawaca is **inspired by the 1939 BKF Butterfly chair**. It comes to the UK after gaining serious praise at a MoMa exhibition of Argentinian design. (humawaca.co.uk)



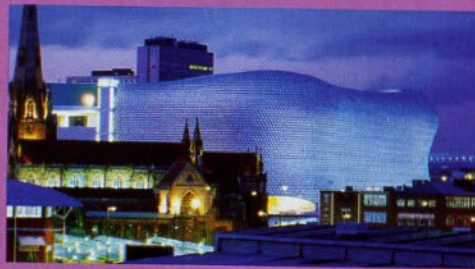
BEHIND THE DESIGN



JAN KAPLICKÝ

The founder of visionary architect/designer firm Future Systems and Alessi collaborator says...

- I arrived in London from Czechoslovakia 40 years ago with \$100 in my pocket and two shirts. My breakthrough was joining Richard Rogers' office, before they built the Pompidou Centre.
- You can make just as many bad decisions when designing jewellery as you can with a building – it's the same process.
- My Bettina table service for Alessi took four years to design. It includes the first cutlery I've created and I was terrified of it being fashion-led. A dress you can put away; cutlery you buy for life. It's named after my wife: she's an amazing inspiration.
- Nature builds structures that are a hundred times more



LEFT Selfridges in Birmingham by Future Systems (future-systems.com). BELOW Bettina tableware, from £4, Alessi.co.uk.

advanced than anything man-made. We draw ideas from these shapes.

- My dream is to see our concepts for the national library in Prague and the concert hall in Budvar built. I don't feel I have anything to prove, but I'd like to design a beautiful house by the sea.

