



## Best of British

Welcome to the British Design Awards 2010, celebrating top home-grown talent

The British Design Awards 2010 are brought to you by ELLE Decoration in association with Casa Couture, the new luxurious homeware brand exclusively at House of Fraser, genius wallpaper company Graham & Brown and the kings of stylish fireplaces, Charnwood. Now in their ninth year, the BDAs recognise beautiful, useful and original new work created by British designers for UK and international brands in the past year. Here, we present our nominations for Best British Design 2010 and Best British Pattern 2010 - and we're inviting YOU to vote for the winner of each category online at the british design awards.com. Vote now we want to know what you think! The results will be announced in a BDA special in our December issue (on sale Nov 10), alongside the winners of Designer of the Year, New Designer of the Year, Architectural Achievement, Fashion Contribution to Design, Best British Design Brand and finally the big gong for Outstanding Contribution to Design 2010. Watch this space!



## THE SHORTLIST **Best British Design 2010** 3 Jake Phipps

1 Peter Marigold 'Mirror' wardrobe for Skitsch

For those with limited space, Peter Marigold's recycled wooden wardrobe for Skitsch could be the answer to your prayers. It measures half the size of a usual wardrobe but, thanks to its mirrored panel, gives the illusion of being symmetrical and, crucially, full-sized. Genius. £2,503 (skitsch.com).

2 Solomia Zoumaras

'Arko' ceramics Inspired by Modernist design and architecture, Hackneybased ceramicist Solomia's vessels combine function and beauty. They're made by hand using mathematically precise templates, and can be stacked or linked together to create striking displays or simply to save space. From £30 (solomia.co.uk)

'Stellar' mirror This sparkling, fairvtale-style  $mirror \, is \, the \, stuff \, that \, dreams$ are made of. Inspired by the brilliance of cut diamonds, the limited-edition piece is made up of 750 tiny facets of mirror, each of which subtly changes its lustre with the light. We think it's simply dazzling. £5,980 (jakephipps.com).

4 Samuel Chan

'Contour' oak sideboard for Heal's ReDiscovers This piece epitomises the importance designer Samuel Chan places on producing contemporary furniture using the age-old craft of woodworking. Its curved shape sets it apart from the average sideboard. A brilliant mix of traditional materials and modern good looks. £1,495 (heals.co.uk).

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