

design

top picks

In a recent poll of members of the Resource Directors Association, the following commercial products were listed as favorites. Some are new, some have been around for a while, but all share a common appeal. According to one member: "These are the kinds of things we always pick up first."

Get Real Surfaces

With more than 10 years of experience as a concrete fabricator, Get Real Surfaces has stood the test of time. Its standard and custom product lines fit into a wide range of residential and commercial projects. The company specializes in small and large production runs of items such as sinks, bathtubs, planters (shown here), and fireplaces. All pieces—floors, trowel walls, precast countertops, and cast-in-place showers—can be custom-colored or color-matched to each other.

www.getrealsurfaces.com Circle No. 216



Chella Textiles

Chella Textiles bring a touch of eco-luxury to outdoor fabrics with its solution-dyed acrylic fabric made from 100 percent recycled, reclaimed material. Woven from olefin, a synthetic fiber that begins as post-industrial waste, these fabrics are impervious to the extremes of Mother Nature as well as man's toxic cleaning agents. The collection is bright and cheerful with a soft hand. This playful pattern is called Moss. www.chellatextiles.com Circle No. 217



Plynyl® by Chilewich

A perennial favorite, Plynyl® is a woven fabric of extruded vinyl yarn with a fiberglass core, bonded to a commercial grade backing to make tiles, carpets, and mats. Its durable surface comes in a rich selection of textures and patterns that help camouflage dirt. It is also washable and stain resistant. Some of the patterns, like the newly introduced Bamboo, contain 15 percent post-industrial recycled content.

www.plynyl.com

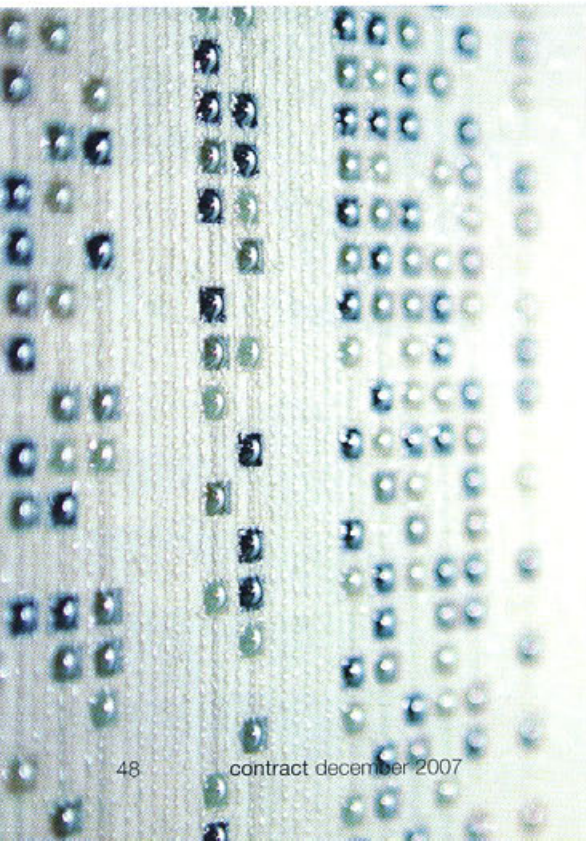
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Impronta Italgraniti

Le Rable gets its name from the French word for "root of the ash tree." Since ash roots are highly prized for their silkiness, in this Italian tile collection, it refers to contemporary ceramic wall tiles inspired by the shimmering world of fashion. It includes field tiles as well as accent pieces in a multitude of sizes in beige, tan, brown, gray, and blue. This particular tile appears to be raining jewels.

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