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Ideas for comfortable and convivial entertaining



Focal fixture

In this alluring Californian loggia, designers from Rios Clementi Hale Studios have used graphic stripes to evoke a bygone Hollywood era while reflecting the indoor-outdoor nature of the space. Its focal point is the 'Carousel Lantern', £2,880, 77 x 107cm, from Charles Edwards. 020-7736 8490; www.charlesedwards.com

A CUT ABOVE

French designer Cedric Ragot's 'Cute Cut' cocktail table is a unique and fun idea for outdoor entertaining. Smooth and beautifully formed, the new addition to Roche Bobois' indoor-outdoor range is made from matt-lacquered resin with a walnut top. This medium-size table measures 100 x 25 x 84cm, and costs £1,030. 020-7751 4030; www.roche-bobois.com



BOX CLEVER

Inspired by Edwardian hamper, Linley has design this luxurious picnic basket, £9,500, made with wicker home-grown and hand-crafted by a Somerset artisan. Every detail has been considered - from the silver-plated cutlery, porcelain crockery and ice bucket to the angora rug, all designed for four, plus extra glasses for surprise guests. 020-7730 7300; www.davidlinley.com



SOFT LANDINGS

Vibrant and summery, these cheerful cushions are the result of a collaboration between Indian Ocean and French fabric house Casamance. With more than 35 designs to choose from, the new custom-made lounge, seat and sofa cushions are weather-proof and stain repellent. Shown here are the 30 x 50cm cushions, priced at £105 each. 020-8675 4808; www.indian-ocean.co.uk

TAKE A PERCH

Quintessentially British manufacturer of fine iron furniture, The Heveningham Collection has added this contemporary bar-diner stool, £960, to an otherwise very classic portfolio. The sleek frame, 108 x 49 x 42cm, is steel with a highly durable hot-zinc coating and stylish gunmetal finish (black, green and white finishes are also available). The cushion is made in weather-proof Sunbrella fabric and it is shown here in Riviera blue. 01489-893481; www.heveningham.co.uk

