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Interiors news

By Victoria Gill

GRAND DESIGNS

While it might sometimes feel that a new interiors aficionado launches in Chelsea's already heaving design district almost every day, not all of them are Nuttall. The all-new design company launched by Sotheby's and Inghald graduate Gytha Bouchon and her sister, luxury branding guru Amber Aikens (wife of Chelsea restaurateur Tom), features English-inspired and -made luxury fabric, furniture and accessories, all on show at its new South Ken showroom. Built to last the generations, Nuttall's exquisitely crafted inaugural collection embraces ottomans, daybeds and club and dining chairs in the most desirable upholsteries.

2 Pond Place, SW3 (nuttalhome.com)



JOLLY ANNIVERSAIRE

Four generations and 150 years old this year, Ligne Roset – the creative contemporary French furniture giant – is celebrating with a stream of gifts, events and special- and limited-edition pieces, including two multicoloured versions of its iconic Pumpkin armchair (in shades of either red or blue wool and priced at £1,500 each). Originally designed by Pierre Paulin for the Elysee Palace, just 300 models (150 of each design) are available in selected stores worldwide – including Ligne Roset's West End branch in Marylebone. 23–25 Mortimer Street, W1 (ligne-roset-westend.co.uk)

Trading Places

The General Trading Company, the triple Royal Warrant-holding interiors emporium, finally alights in South Kensington after vacating its half century-old Chelsea seat two years ago. Let's hope this signals a reversal of fortune for the Chelsea stalwart, which closed after going into liquidation in July 2008. The new flourishing Pelham Street premises is the perfect place to pick up that stone Buddha or pond yacht you never knew you needed, alongside the brand's legendary wedding list services – utilised by none other than the first in line and Camilla themselves. 91 Pelham Street, SW7 (generaltradingcompany.co.uk)



School's Out

With term over for another year, thoughts are increasingly turning to domesticity and how to keep the kids entertained for a full two months. Ladbroke Grove's Doty Dot allows you to combine a fun activity with one of design's hottest trends – wall art. Its *Domestic* range of vinyl adornments come guaranteed to bring a smile to everyone's face, boasting character and style, and priced between £12.50 and £40. 67a St Helen's Gardens, W10. (doty-dot.com)