

Maria Hauptmann and Alex Féthière
find items for the home designed for
warmth, comfort and intrigue

LightandColor

Tea Party

Among the many fab items at Cec LePage's SoHo shop are her "Oscar" tea light holders (below) made with edge-colored Lucite. The set name and the hues may remind some of the '70s, and at three different sizes (all with Lucite insets embracing the tea light) they're a handsome, groovy trio. As with Le Page's other designs, cus-

tom colors are available, but these have a certain burnished charm—classic materials and colors in a modern design. \$278–\$348.

Available at LePage New York Gallery, 72 Thompson Street (between Spring Street & Broome Street in SoHo) tel. 212-966-2646
Subway: C, E to Spring Street



Heat Included

Jeremy Walton's Danish-made "Candle with Matchbox" provides all you need for soft, warm light in a compact package: a matchbox molded into the base of a rectangular pillar candle. The candle self-extinguishes short of the base after 40 hours of burning. Inspired by the Scandinavian notion of "hygge"—cozy togetherness—it guarantees that no one will have to get up for matches to create mood lighting. \$18.

Available at MoMA Design Stores, 800-447-6662, www.momastore.org:

SoHo: 81 Spring Street, tel. 646-613-1367

Subway: **6** to Spring St.;

B, **D**, **F**, **V** to Broadway/Lafayette.

Midtown: 44 W. 53rd St., tel. 212-767-1050; MoMA Design and Book Store at the Museum of Modern Art, 11 W. 53rd St., tel. 212-708-9700

Subway: **E** or **V** to 5th Ave/53rd St.; **B**, **D** or **F** to 47-50 Streets/Rockefeller Center



Soft Spot

Hella Jongerius's Bovist is a combo floor cushion, stool and ottoman with a knitted thread handle for easy transport. The embroidered cover is made of different colored fabrics and has many taken-in strips on the side, which, along with its filling of hundreds of tiny plastic balls, make for a very cool and comfy perch indeed. \$690.

Available at Vitra, 29 Ninth Ave., tel. 212-929-3626

Subway: **A**, **C**, **E**, **L**, **1**, **2**, **3** to 8th Ave. or 14th St.

Glass Act

A harmonious swirl of color and shape, this vintage glass bowl from the Czech Republic will warm up even the most spartan living space. \$280.

Available at Prague Kolektiv, 143-b Front Street, DUMBO, Brooklyn, NY, tel. 718-260-8013

Subway: **F** to York Street, **A**, **C** to High Street



Who Are You?

Ally Miola and Alex Féthière
scope out shiny things to
suit every personality on
your shopping list

Charming

Created to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the NYC subway token, this sterling silver toggle charm bracelet (\$90) features five authentic historic tokens: 1953, 1970, 1980, 1986, and the last token in circulation, 1995.

At New York Transit Museum Stores, Grand Central Terminal Shuttle Passage next to the Station Master's Office; New York Transit Museum, corner of Boerum Place and Schermerhorn St., Brooklyn Heights. Subway: 4, 5, 6, 7, S to Grand Central Station. 2, 3, 4 to Borough Hall; M, R to Court St.; A, C, G to Hoyt-Schermerhorn St., A, C, F to Jay St./Borough Hall

Link Up

New York's first token—from 1953—was its most unique. Dime-sized and distinguished by a bold “Y” cut, this excellent example of industrial design is now handcrafted into handsome cuff links. Antiqued tokens are set in sterling silver (as shown), gold or silver-plated brass settings, and are creatively packaged in a subway map covered gift box with authenticity card. Sterling Silver: \$105

Gold-Plated: \$70; Silver-Plated: \$70

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The Devil Wears Diamonds

New York jewelry design duo Me & Ro have been making waves with their understated, Eastern influenced ornaments, and now collaborators Robin Renzi and Michele Quan have caught Hollywood's eye. Their large double-sided Geisha pendant with diamonds (\$1,410) recently graced the neck of Anne Hathaway in the blockbuster flick “The Devil Wears Prada.” The double-sided flower engravings on this 10k gold medallion, with three tiny rose-cut diamonds, create a mural of flowers celebrating the beauty of nature.

At Me & Ro, 241 Elizabeth St., tel. 917-237-9215

Subway: 6 to Spring St.



My Precious

Asprey has been one of Britain's premier jewelers and purveyors of luxury goods since 1781. Classic but chic pieces such as this blue topaz and iolite pendant with a diamond set chain in 8kt white gold (\$7,900) embody the elegance and British style that their name has become synonymous with. From the Maxi Chaos Collection, this piece also comes in pink tourmaline and amethyst on an 18kt yellow gold chain for a rosier take on a graceful design.

At Asprey, 50 East 57th Street,
tel. 212-688-1811

Subway: **N**, **R** to 5th Ave.
or **N**, **R**, **6** to Lexington



Locked and Loaded

Although it's hard to imagine what Holly Golightly would have thought of wearing a sterling silver padlock as an accessory, it's fairly certain she would agree that Tiffany can make anything feminine and stylish. Their 1837 Pad Lock Bracelet in sterling silver (\$250) has become a must-have item. And it's no surprise, as Tiffany and Co. actually established the United States standard for sterling silver, guaranteeing theirs to be 92.5% pure silver.

At Tiffany & Co., Fifth Avenue at 57th Street, tel. 212-755-8000
Subway: **F** to 57th St or **V**, **E** 5th Ave

On Tape

Aaron Ruff's line Digby & Iona, while deeply rooted in the nostalgia, is sleek, not kitschy. The solid sterling silver microcassette necklace (\$100) is the definition of understated cool and also has bigger cousins in the accessories department: Choose from a tricked-out belt buckle with a silver microcassette (\$250) or a standard-sized cassette tape in brass (\$250). A favorite of New York hipsters, Digby and Iona's bling can be found in their deepest hunting grounds (i.e., the Lower East Side and Williamsburg).

At Blessing, 181 Orchard St., tel. 212-378-8005

Subway: **F**, **V** to 2nd Ave./Lower East Side

And at Catbird, 390 Metropolitan Ave.,
tel. 718-388-7688

Subway: **L** to Lorimer

