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Get in touch with me, **Sally Hawkesford**, by letter or email and I'll soon find the right expert to solve your decorating and interior design dilemmas



Canvas blind in white, made from polyester, prices start from £90, Bottom Up Blinds

Practical option

On page 24 of your April issue, you featured Emma and Seth Kirkham's house, and in their bedroom they had some blinds that looked liked they pulled up from the bottom, as opposed to the top. Where can I find this sort of design?

Joanne Smith, via email

Bottom Up Blinds is a great company that specialises in selling blinds, which work by pulling the blind up from its fixing point at the bottom of the window, instead of the traditional top-down window fixing. You can choose from blackout blinds, patterned designs, neutral shades and an economy range for more basic styles. This design is perfect if you want to allow a lot of light in while still keeping your privacy. Prices start at £90 and delivery is free of charge and within 14 days.

Psst!

Launching in the UK this month, is a new stylish homeware website, Milan Direct – my website of the month. The easy-to-navigate site specialises in modern, high-end-style furniture at a fraction of the designer price tag. Reproductions include popular styles, such as the iconic Eames chair for £69 and the stylish Noguchi coffee table for £149. Choose your product, click to buy and enter your postcode, and the website will calculate the delivery cost. Each product also comes with a seven-day money-back guarantee and a 12-month comprehensive warranty.

Noguchi timber and glass-top coffee table in black, (H)45x(W)90x(L)130cm, available in four colours, **£149**



Above DSW dining side chair, Eames reproduction with solid timber base, (H)80x(W)56x (D)47cm, available in two colours, **£69**

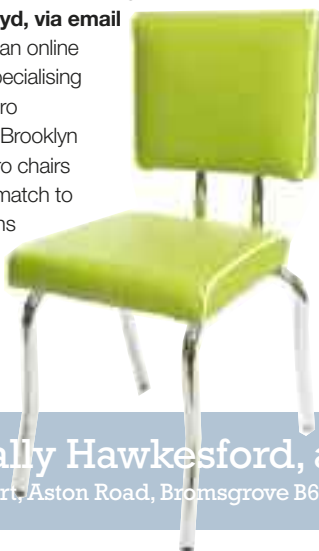
Stylish chairs

In *Real Homes'* May issue, you featured Margot and John Walshe's house and, on page 22, they had some beautiful lime green and chrome dining chairs. Do you know where I can get something similar? They are just what I have been looking for.

Noreen Lloyd, via email

Cola Red is an online company specialising in classic retro furniture; its Brooklyn stacking retro chairs are a good match to those designs featured.

Lively leaf chair, (H)88x(W)46x (D)57cm, **£229**



Three-drawer TV unit in gloss white, (H)45x(W)160x (D)50cm, **£299**

Ideal storage

In the February issue of *Real Homes*, there was a white low-level TV unit, shown on page 68 within the Technology update pages. Would you be able to tell me where I could find something similar?

Tracy Howland, Swindon

Dwell offers a fabulous range of media units in a variety of sizes, colours and finishes. This high-gloss TV unit from its Spring/Summer collection is an ideal match. It has a double open front for a digital box and Blu-ray/DVD player, and three drawers for disc storage.

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