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## DESIGN MUST-HAVES

If you buy one thing this year make it a classic

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# SHININGSTARS

Who's twinkling on the local design scene right now? We searched far and wide, assembling a class of creatives whose visions are as broad as the country itself. These are the bright talents currently putting Australian design innovation firmly on the map.

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### THE INTERIOR DESIGNERS

#### GREG NATALE

Hot because ... he and his company, Greg Natale Design, have the knack for taking glam to a new level "Wy work has decorative flair; I add a layer of pattern and opulence over minimal sm. It's similar in look to the Hollywood Regency style of design, but it has a harder, Sydney edge."

What's inspiring you right now? Interior designer Jonathan Adler's redecoration of the Parker Palm Springs hotel, William Haines furniture, patterns by [the late British Interior designer] David Hicks, the work of [the late American interior decorator] Dorothy Draper, the slickness of Tom Ford's designs, Paul Rudolph's interiors, and the renovations done by Jackie [Kennedy] Onassis on the White House. Llove this chair I'm pictured with because ...

It perfectly combines classic and modern styles, I particularly love the diamond-stitched detailing of its upholstered surface. Bd Barcelona 'Poltronas' single armchair with cover from the Showtime collection by Jaime Hayón, around \$14,448, from Ke Zu. For more on Greg, go to gregnatale.com.

#### DAVID HICKS

Hot because ... he, along with his award winning Melbourne based design practice, is the master of mixing seemingly disparate elements. "My work is modernistic, detailed, glamorous and layered, with cultural and period references." What's inspiring you right now? Movies by French film-maker Jacques Tati, especially his 1967 classic, *Playtime*. His films have the most amazing modern set designs.

I love this chair I'm pictured with because ... it's classic, sculptural and jewel-like, and made intricately from nickel-plated steel rods. Knoll 'Platner' side chair with bright nickel finish and velvet seat cushion by Warren Platner, around \$4675, from De De Ce.

For more on David, visit davidhicks.com.au.

#### PAUL RECE

Hot because ... he's a director of one of Australia's leading interior design firms, Hecker, Phelan & Guthrie in Melbourne, and adds a touch of sophistication and wit to everything he does. "I strive to create uplifting spaces."

What's inspiring you right now? Simple things – such as rescuing the carnation from suburban obscurity – that show people are rethinking their environment.

I love this chair I'm pictured with because ... It's clever and refined and elegant and simple and usable and discreet. Cassina '699' chair by Gio Ponti, around \$3255, from Space. For more on Paul, head to hpg.net.au.

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