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DESIGN VANGUARD 2006

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Responsible seating

Seats produced by Steel for the North American market under license from its original manufacturer, Steel and Forme Furniture. Its award design has been adapted to a wider audience. The seat consists of two curved pieces, one available in one or two seat widths, and a curved unit for countless uses from an outdoor configuration. Steel Furniture Industries, High Point, N.C. www.steelfurniture.com 305/302-1000

Nature's bounty

PIE is a line of handcrafted furniture made from underutilized natural materials. The Spoon Lounge (top) follows a body's curves. Its thin steel frame is woven with Liana, a rapidly growing Asian vine that is typically cut down and burned. The form of the Sushi Daybed (bottom) was inspired by the traditional art of making sushi. Its wood-and-rattan frame has a handwoven water hyacinth skin. PIE, Miramar, Fla. www.projectimportexport.com CIRCLE 305

Green-friendly furnishings

Integrating is a collection of outdoor garden and courtyard furniture that includes a chair, bench, table, table and bench. The collection offers ease of use for people with diminished strength and flexibility while remaining visually appealing and comfortable for all users. Landscape Forms, Palm Beach, Fla. www.landscapeforms.com 561/663-1000

Architect-designed seats

Seating has introduced a series of affordably priced chairs, bar stools, ottomans, and tables designed by architectural firms, including Michael Graves & Associates, Gusman Wayne Architects, and Architecture. The Richard Group chairs from chair and ottoman chair and stool. Architecture: One Collection club chair that has been an iconic. Seating, Bedford, Mass. www.seating.com 617/452-1000

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