

**STYLE SOLUTION =** *Gentleman's den*

Create an area for unwinding with a masculine look



**Crillon chair** in Oxblood, hand-dyed goatskin, H81x W72xD79cm, £4,400, Soane, 020 7730 6400, soane.co.uk.



**Fermanagh plaid** 9-38258, wool mix, 4m wide, £58sq m, Brintons, 0800 505055, brintons.net.



**Tripod floor lamp**, H120cm (including shade), from £129, The Cotswold Company, 0844 984 0984, cotswoldco.com.



“Metallics are a continuing and evolving trend in interiors. The look is less elaborate now than when it was first seen in fashion about two years ago. Today’s take involves creating subtle contrasts and details.”

**ESTI BARNES, FOUNDER AND DESIGN DIRECTOR, TOP FLOOR**

**CLEVER COMBINATION**

Textile designer Aleta Bartel-Orton of Aleta fabrics and Francesca Wezel of Francesca's Paints have combined their passion for colour to create their third collection, *Monsoon Rains*. Inspired by Aleta's water-coloured florals, it uses fresh aquas, pale yellows, hazy blues and cool whites.

**Eco Emulsion costs £34.07 for 2.5 litres; fabric starts at £41m.** Contact Aleta, 020 7228 9676, aleta online.com; Francesca's Paints, 020 7228 7694, francescas paint.com.



**SHOP TALK**

Known for its painted, rattan and bamboo furniture, including sofas, beds, tables, chairs and armoires, Oka has opened its twelfth shop. Housed in a pretty stone-faced Georgian building in the Cotswolds (above), the new shop comprises 14 rooms, such as the dining room (right), full of furniture, accessories and lighting to inspire local shoppers. Oka, 46 High Street, Broadway, Worcestershire WR12 7DT, 01386 859631, okadirect.com.



**STITCH IN TIME**

Charlene Mullen's work has been commissioned by fashion houses from Givenchy to Calvin Klein. Her latest collection features hand- or machine-embroidered textiles, including cushions, throws and lampshades. Bespoke designs can be embroidered to create wall panels or soft furnishings. The Daisy Folk hand-embroidered cushion (below), 60x36cm, costs £225. Contact 020 7733 6190, charlenemullen.com. ▶



**On the table**

Vincent Sheppard had so many calls about a table used to showcase chairs in its catalogue that it is now available. Stockholm table in French oak, H78xW260xD85cm (above), £2,500; H78x W220xD85cm, £2,300; 0560 115 5652, vincentsheppard.com.

