

HOMES & GARDENS



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HOW TO CREATE A BEAUTIFUL SUSTAINABLE HOME

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Organic linen
tablecloth, Ecosophy

TALA

Tala is on a mission to be the definitive zero-carbon lighting brand. Launched in London in 2015, the brand was founded by three friends while studying together at the University of Edinburgh.

Passionate about design, technology and sustainability, Tala believes that conservation and beauty can be combined as we progress to a low carbon world. Its environmentally conscious light bulbs draw upon pioneering LED technology, classic decorative qualities and British industrial influences. Utilising the latest energy-saving technology, Tala bulbs last up to 10 years.

Tala lights, made from high-quality, recyclable materials, are engineered to reduce energy consumption and lower the users' carbon footprint, while together with reforestation partners it has funded the planting of over 100,000 trees worldwide.

tala.co.uk

LINEN

ECOSOPHY

The name Ecosophy combines *eco* (from the Greek *oikos*, meaning 'household') and *sophy* (from *sophia*, meaning 'wisdom'). This dual meaning of 'ecological wisdom' and 'household wisdom' reflects its goal, to help customers make ecologically wise choices when decorating their homes.

A textiles homeware brand, Ecosophy's bed linen, towels and soft furnishings are all made with sustainably produced fibres, mostly organic, and natural dyes or low-impact dyes.

Hand production is used where possible as it is carbon neutral, supports rural livelihoods (working with cooperatives, social enterprises and fair trade factories) and adds an individual character to each product.

ecosophy.co.uk

PAINT

FRANCESCA'S PAINTS

Founded in 1996 by expert colourist Francesca Wezel, Francesca's Paints' hand-mixed paints continue to delight designers and those in the interiors world. Sustainability and environmentalism is at the heart of the company's ethos and practices; the eco-friendly limewash and eco emulsion are entirely plastic-free, solvent-free and breathable, and so have a positive impact on our homes, health and the environment.

francescaspaint.com



Walls in Moss
Green, Francesca's
Paints, Design by
Retrouvius Design

BAUWERK

Bauwerk was created with a vision to produce exemplary modern lime paint in harmony with nature. Limewash paints do not harm the environment in their manufacture and disposal, and most importantly, being free of toxins, they provide a healthy alternative to chemical-based paints.

Made with clay, minerals and natural pigments there are no fumes and disposal is safe and non-polluting. Bauwerk uses 100% green power in its production and it leaves no toxic chemicals in the environment in the production of the paint.

bauwerkcolour.co.uk

PHOTOGRAPHS (CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT): ANNA BATCHELOR, FRANCISCA'S PAINTS, MICHAEL SINCLAIR



Ivory Cedar & Walnut
worktop, Foresso



Wall in Marrakesh,
Bauwerk

SURFACE MATERIAL

FORESSO

Foresso makes timber terrazzo, a surface material for worktops, furniture, walls and floors. With products designed using carefully sourced materials and made in its Birmingham factory, the company takes an ethical approach to manufacturing, with a focus on sustainable materials. Using offcuts of timber from city development, for example, Foresso finds value in the pieces that would usually be burned.

As a practical, durable and renewable material that naturally captures carbon it's an ideal choice for sustainable interiors. The company uses every last bit and even reuses its own planing waste and wood dust in the timber terrazzo so none goes to waste.

foresso.co.uk →

GRAPHENSTONE

With products made from natural elements rather than chemicals, Graphenstone meets the highest gold standard for its commitment to sustainability. Its paints contain graphene – the strongest material known to science – highly inert, innocuous, non-toxic pure carbon.

Graphenstone lime coatings absorb 5.5kg of CO₂ per 15 litres from the environment where it is applied and the porous nature allows walls to breathe, improving air quality.

graphenstone.co.uk

