

## Marketplace

### FINDS

## Who Done It

We were intrigued last month to learn that a California company we've had on our radar was tapped to furnish the New Era Style Lounge at Super Bowl 50. We sat up straight — not because we were heading to the game or the events hosted in the lounge — because we'd always been a bit, ahem, in the dark about Noir's origins. We were on the case(goods) once we learned we can buy Noir furniture close to home. We like the line because it's designed piece by piece, hand drawn with pencil and paper by Swiss-born Georg Baehler. He's a sketchy character; in fact, Baehler sketches daily. His craftsmen can't keep up. There's a dame involved, too. Noir co-owner/founder Stephanie Lu is equally dedicated to handcrafted solid wood furniture (birch, elm, oak, mahogany, teak, mindi and walnut) and sustainable local materials, including stone, glass and steel. The pair is constantly introducing new items. But here's the thing: Because all the furnishings represent a single designer and a focused company vision, the 1,200-piece line is pleasantly cohesive. It works with everything from classical and traditional to midcentury modern and contemporary. Here's a taste of what you might find in store (or available by special order) at Domain XCIV and Simple Things in Fort Worth and the newly relocated (across the parking lot) Jordan Taylor & Co. in Southlake — these pieces are not the usual suspects.

**RESOURCES** Domain XCIV 3100 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 112, Fort Worth; 817-336-1994 or domainxciv.com  
Jordan Taylor & Co. 1275 E. Southlake Blvd., Suite 433, Southlake; 817-251-6303 or jordantaylorandco.com  
Simple Things 7401 W. Vickery Blvd., Fort Worth; 817-332-1772 or simplethingsfurniture.com



Noir's brass Open Hand objet is one of the line's bestselling pieces, from \$171. By special order.

The Diamond Double Chest has eight drawers with planed diamond accents made of walnut, from \$4,320. By special order.



A hammered zinc top gives the Gabiano Console an industrial chic appeal. The seasoned elm wood is not sealed, but waxed instead to allow the table to patina over time. \$1,599 at Jordan Taylor & Co.



The Matteo Club Chair is a contemporary classic with its tufted linen cushions, handcrafted mahogany frame and hand-rubbed black finish, from \$1,560. By special order.

Photos courtesy of Noir

### SHOP TALK

**Wrest/Wright at Home/WRARE** Don't lose sleep over the disappearance of natty bedding nook Wrest. The sleep-centric boutique has been tucked into vignettes across Wright at Home, allowing the Fort Worth home furnishings and gift shop to stretch out as a more integrated space. In more dreams-come-true news, sister store WRARE — the eccentric-to-fine gift, decor and furniture shop — joins its Camp Bowie family, moving from the Crockett Street outpost into the space formerly dedicated to Wrest. Add WRARE's new accessibility (expect the same lines/brands in the intriguingly redesigned space) to the tweaked Wrest vignettes and new floorplan at Wright at Home, and you've got a trio of shopping opps that bring a fresh appeal to the steadily evolving empire of Adrian Wright and Doug PlesKovitch. 4818 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth; 817-989-8222 or wrightathomefw.com.



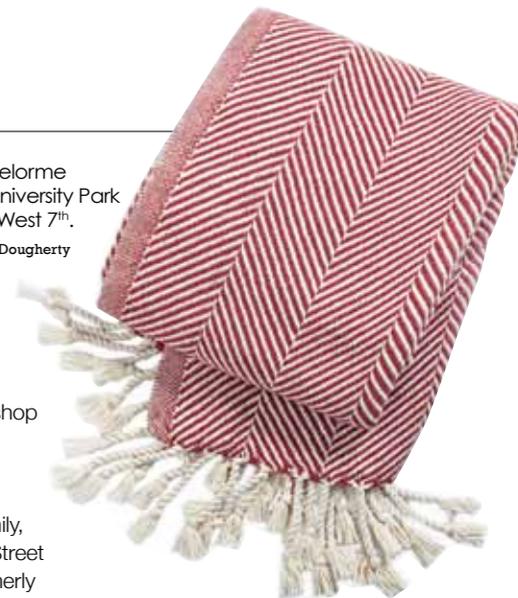
Dishes from Fish Eddy at WRARE.

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**Z Gallerie Southlake** Opening its 10<sup>th</sup> location in Texas in late April, the contemporary home furniture and decor shop fills 8,000 square feet in a newly constructed retail building near The Container Store in Southlake Town Square. 280 State St., Suite 280, Southlake; 310-630-1200 or zgallerie.com.

Yves Delorme moves from University Park Village to West 7<sup>th</sup>.

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