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Design Supermarket

In the Claudio Silvestrin & Giuliana Salmaso-designed basement of La Rinascente, Milan's one and only department store, Wallpaper* is setting up shop. Invited by La Rinascente's boss Vittorio Radice (the man who turned Selfridges around and is currently four years into orchestrating La Rinascente's own renaissance) to 'curate' our own corner, we jumped at the chance. Sniffing out the very best new brands and their products is our hobby already, and our team of editors jet in and out of all the international design fairs and scour degree shows, design studios and other off-the-beaten-track places to uncover all the fabulous items we put in Wallpaper*. Which means we are in the perfect position to come up with the goods. In November, Wallspace* opens with an edit of domestic design (mainly for the kitchen, tabletop and home office), that warrants the Wallpaper* seal of approval. Look out for us somewhere between the Kartell and Georg Jensen shops. *www.designsupermarket.it*

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23. PIAGGIO MP3 SCOOTER

Piaggio's new MP3 hybrid is top of the pile for technological innovation. Its twin front wheels make it exceptionally stable and turn parking into a breeze, while the electric motor makes this quirky vehicle an unbeatable urban runaround. *www.piaggiomp3.com*

24. VILLA NECHI CAMPIGLIO, MILAN

One of the finest 20th century villas in Milan, Piero Portaluppi's Italian Rationalist Villa Necchi has reopened its doors after a €6m renovation. A new coffee house complements the original structure. *www.fondoambiente.it*

25. CASA CASCIANI, LAZIO

A side project of Anglo-Italian designer Jonathan Casciani, this is the first of what will be a string of design-minded holiday apartments in the medieval town of Soriano Nel Cimino, northern Lazio, an area known for its wildboar, porcini and chestnuts. *www.casacasciani.com*

26. CRUDO RESTAURANT, ROME

Located near Campo dei Fiori, this chic raw food restaurant boasts an eclectic interior, expertly mixed cocktails and an extensive menu that includes everything from oysters and veal carpaccio to steak tartare and elaborate salads sprinkled with fresh herbs. *www.crudoroma.it*

27. FLORENCE RAILWAY STATION, BY FOSTER + PARTNERS

Scheduled to open in 2010, Florence's TAV station will consist of a single large chamber designed to minimise energy consumption. Expect a dramatic arching roof and plenty of local marble. *www.fosterandpartners.com*

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On top shelf, from left, 'BarDeco' lampshade, by Lina Meier. Fan, by Naoto Fukasawa, for Plus Minus Zero. 'Handy' mirror, by Paul Loebach. 'Aroma' espresso maker, by Ichiro Iwasaki; putty knives, by Edward S Wohl, all for Ricordi & Sfera. 'Candy' lamp, by Sylvain Willenz. Salt and pepper grinder, by Norway Says, for Muuto

On second shelf, from left, 'Foldedlight', by Harri Koskinen. Vase and cups, by Hella Jongerius, for Royal Tichelaar Makkum. 'Ding' slow cooker, by Office for Product Design, for Jia. 'Stav' cutlery set, by Torsten Neeland, for Auerhahn. Knife and knife rack, by Industrial Facility, for Taylor's Eye Witness. Wooden radio, by Singgih Susilo Kartono, for Magno. 'Slowcooker', by Margriet Foolen, for Royal VKB

On third shelf, from left, 'Sade' glasses, by Hasan Demir Obuz, for Ilio. 'Light' pots, by Zani & Zani. 'Jetlag' alarm clocks, by Industrial Facility, for IDEA International. Knife sharpener, by Industrial Facility, for Taylor's Eye Witness. 'Ricebowls', by Alexa Lixfeld. Heater, by Naoto Fukasawa, for Plus Minus Zero

On fourth shelf, from left, pencil block, by D.lab, for Design Incubation Centre. 'Perfect Day' mirror, by Nestor Perkal, for Oscar Maschera. Salt cellar, by Aldo Bakker, for Thomas Eyck. 'Two Timer' wall clock, by Industrial Facility and Sam Hecht, for Established & Sons.

'Table' tray, by Zoocreative, for Delica. 'Accento' cutlery, by Konstantin Grcic, for Serafino Zani. 'Kitchen Tools for Men', by Mitsunobu Hagino, for Prince Kogyo and NICO. 'Embassy' cutlery set, by David Mellor

On fifth shelf, from left, 'Blur' vase, by Big-Game. 'Railo' magazine rack, by Mikko Laakkonen, for Casamania.

'Loft' condiment set, by Thea Mehl, for Teroforma. Desk set, by Singgih Susilo Kartono, for Magno. '3511' toaster, by Cloer. 'Jersey White' dishes, by Industrial Facility, for Jersey Pottery. 'Tonale' tableware, by David Chipperfield, for Alessi