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# TRANSCEND TIME

classic designs to last for decades

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As the year winds down, it's the perfect time to focus on the value of everything in our lives. More than ever, it's the tried and true that we find comfortable and reassuring – particularly in our homes. Think about the comfy chair in your family room, for instance. Such care went into its selection; down cushions, sumptuous fabric and sturdy construction to last a lifetime. You thought about how good it felt when you sat down and whether or not your family and guests would feel the same. You pictured yourself in your favorite cashmere sweater and blue jeans, curled up on a Sunday afternoon with the paper. When you think about it, really, all of your home furnishings evoke different emotions and memories, so make sure they're good ones.

Don't think you can make any interior investments right now? Shop around and you may be surprised. Good quality is not always expensive – it just looks and feels that way. You'll be glad you took your time, chose with care and consideration, and bought beautiful things to enjoy for years to come. The value of living with beauty is priceless.

Get the edge on dining at this Ridge custom table of rift-cut oak with carved corrugated detailing. Add the Rialto chairs finished to match and upholstered in black leather.

(opposite page) J. Robert Scott

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Copeland Furniture/Frank Lloyd Wright Furniture

Combining clean, unadorned lines of the international modernists with organic and geometric forms, the Catalina Bedroom is suggestive of the works of America's mid-century modern designers. It's crafted in solid, American black walnut with natural finish or maple hardwood with four finishes.

Neidermaier's deco-inspired Tiffany chair, Macassar table and Granada sofa combine exotic finishes with clean lines.







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A steel fireplace wall is the focal point of this bold room, while petrified wood and wood stack provide a unique and dramatic touch. Natural rope chairs, handmade by Christian Astuguevieille and featuring brown suede cushions, add texture to the room. Urban, organic furniture designed to showcase the wood's true appearance complete the classic effect. n