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## DESERT ROSE

MATALI CRASSET'S ECO RETREAT



Photo: Omer Saeed



rench industrial designer Matali Crasset's maiden architectural offering in the Tunisian desert combines local materials, sustainable processes and more than a hint of French elegance. Staying true to the indigenous character of its surroundings, the Dar Hi hotel she has crafted embraces a local village typology and uses materials like palm wood and clay bricks to maximum effect.

Matali Crasset's explorations in vernacular design and her understated touch have put this Tunisian sanctuary on the world traveller's map, making it a model destination for environmentally sustainable tourism.

The Kindred House is the unique story of a joint-family residence with multiple social spaces that overlap, yet retaining specific areas for each family unit and individual members. Vaibhav Dimri and Madhav Raman, principals at the design firm of Anagram Architects, have composed a residence with stacked and intersecting cubes. Their unique arrangement carves out voids in the 'in-between' areas, allowing landscaped external spaces to flood the living quarters with light and fresh air.

In our Specialist section this month we shine a spotlight on Harishbhai of Bharatiya Stones. This 'swadeshi' stone dealer believes in the beauty, quality and novelty of our Indian stones and marbles. He proudly showcases more than a hundred different varieties from all corners of the country, frowning on brittle Italian marbles that most architects patronize.

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Mumbai based Rooshad Shroff has developed a unique technique to incorporate embroidery within wood. He is now off to Paris to exhibit the first of his Zardosi embroidered furniture pieces.





## EVENTS

The Harrogate Antique and Fine Art Fair will be conducted in a town which is known for its excellence in fine art. Harrogate will also be witness to the scores of antiques and fine art articles that will be displayed before a public that is known to appreciate the beauty of the finer things of history.

☞ [www.harrogateantiquefair.com](http://www.harrogateantiquefair.com)

10 MAY

## Rooshad Shroff Launches Embroidered Furniture, Paris

After a year of researching and developing a technique to incorporate embroidery within wood, Mumbai based architect Rooshad Shroff is all set to exhibit his first 2 embroidered wooden pieces at Galerie Maeght in Paris on the 10th of May.



The two wooden pieces, an embroidered sofa and an embroidered wooden screen, are both hand made using recycled old Burma teak wood devoid of metal fasteners. The furniture is made using traditional joinery and has over 50,000 hand drilled holes 4mm apart through the wood with Zardosi embroidery woven within it.

☞ [www.rooshadshroff.com](http://www.rooshadshroff.com)

10<sup>th</sup> - 12 MAY

## China International Building Material Technology And Equipment Expo, Beijing, China



BMEXPO CHINA is one of the leading trade events that highlights innovation in wall material, building and energy saving. It showcases new and upcoming products, technologies and equipment. The event focuses on brand building and getting exposure in China and other international markets for the exhibitors. The event has a strong focus on the building and construction industry.

BMEXPO CHINA will have concurrent forums and conferences and is an ideal platform for the trade to exchange information. There will also be many products related to construction exhibited at this event. Latest developments in bulk cement and ready mixed concrete, ready mixed mortar equipment and displays on brick products, fly ash, gypsum products and other equipment will be on show.

☞ [www.bmexpochina.com](http://www.bmexpochina.com)

15<sup>th</sup> - 17 MAY

## The Office Exhibition, Dubai, UAE

The Office Exhibition will showcase a wide range of office fit-out and designs. The event will have participation from exhibitors from over 25 countries. The products and services will be displayed in seven new international pavilions where around 20 product categories will be showcased.



The biggest brands of the world will make their presence felt to visiting architects and designers. The Office Exhibition will involve the participation of exhibitors from different countries like the U.S., Canada, China, Malaysia and Scandinavia in an effort to showcase the best of office infrastructure and fittings that will help keep your office bunch healthy and happy.

☞ [www.theofficeexhibition.com](http://www.theofficeexhibition.com)

18<sup>th</sup> - 21 MAY

## Young Designers Exhibition, Taipei, Taiwan



Young Designers Exhibition also known as YODEX is a 4 day event that will be held at the Taipei World Trade Center, Taiwan, representing the entire designing sector of the region. Considered as the biggest event of its kind in entire Asia, this show will attract numerous exhibitors related to the sector who wish to expand their business and generate revenue. Hence, more than 95000 interested visitors including prospective buyers will attend the show to witness a diverse range of products under one floor and save time.

Young Designers Exhibition will give a huge exposure to the entire industry in the international arena and promote the individual products of the exhibitors with the help of a number of advertising techniques such as banners, posters, hoarding, stickers etc.

☞ [www.yodex.com.tw](http://www.yodex.com.tw)