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# BEST OF THE WEST

INTERIOR DECOR AND DESIGN ELEMENTS THAT INSPIRE WESTERN LIVING | *Written by Corinne Garcia*

## TRUNKS & LUGGAGE

BY J. GREENWOOD LEATHER



**JARED GREENWOOD'S** handcrafted pieces harken back to the golden age of travel while serving as functional home decor. Constructed from high-quality materials, each piece is made to order in his Boise, Idaho-based studio, where cuts are performed manually, nails are individually set, and seams are sewn by hand. Big game hunters can also have their animal skins and hides made into custom pieces.



Prices vary  
[jgreenwoodleather.com](http://jgreenwoodleather.com)

## TWIN SISTERS LAMPS

by TimberFire Studio

**JOE ADAMS AND ERICH ELFELDT** started TimberFire Studio with a shared passion for traditional craftsmanship and functional works of art. From their Texas-based studio, they create heirloom-quality furniture, decor, and lighting with Western flair. These matching table lamps are made from Texas mesquite wood — accented with hard maple, Gaboon ebony inlays, and steel elements — and feature faux rawhide shades, silver-plated conchos, and leather rosettes.



\$9,500 for pair  
[timberfire.com](http://timberfire.com)



AUDREY HALL

## LIVING ROOM SWING

BY RUSS FRY DESIGN + FABRICATION

**RUSS FRY CREATES CUSTOM STEEL** and wood furniture, lighting, and architectural installations from his studio in Livingston, Montana. Known for his thoughtfully crafted works, the artisan balances function and form with a playful, modern aesthetic, and this window swing is a prime example. Serving as both a functional seat and a unique work of art, the swing's hanging mechanisms, finishes, and upholstery are based on each homeowner's taste.

Starting at \$6,000 | [russfry.com](http://russfry.com)

## FABRIC DEER MOUNT

BY NEAR AND DEER

**THESE FABRIC-WRAPPED DEER MOUNTS** add a sense of whimsy to any room. The idea was conceived through a compromise by the husband and wife founders; as an avid hunter, he wanted to hang animal mounts in their home, whereas she didn't want real taxidermy displayed. Thus, she purchased a faux taxidermy mount and created a decoupage piece that evolved into a burgeoning business with a range of other products.



\$235  
[nearanddeer.com](http://nearanddeer.com)

## Finnleo Saunas

FROM MOUNTAIN HOT TUB

**MOUNTAIN HOT TUB HAS BEEN** carrying saunas for more than 30 years. Recognized for their health benefits, saunas are easy to maintain while adding a touch of luxury to indoor or outdoor spaces. With both electric and wood-burning options, Mountain Hot Tub's Finnleo saunas come in traditional, infrared, and combination styles. In addition, the company's expert carpenter can build custom sauna rooms to easily fit into the structure of any home.

Starting at \$4,995  
[mountainhottub.com](http://mountainhottub.com)



## WENGE GLACIER SCREEN

by Studio Greytak

JOHN GREYTAK'S FASCINATION WITH NATURAL objects is the inspiration behind the Missoula, Montana-based Studio Greytak, which designs, engineers, and crafts functional statement pieces that highlight the luminescence of gems and minerals. Featuring 12 Brazilian agates and sustainably harvested wenge wood — along with solid black iron frames that ground the piece — this screen can be placed in front of a window to create a tranquil setting while emphasizing the gemstone's organic beauty.

studiogreytak.com | \$39,200



## LEATHER DOCTOR'S BAG

BY JOHN BLAIR

A SECOND-GENERATION saddle maker, Wyoming native John Blair applies his leather carving skills to create bespoke decorative pieces, such as this Doctor's Bag. Featuring a basket-stamped bottom with brass feet and a soft black water buffalo lining, the bag's sides are bound by striking black kangaroo laces. Blair stains the background and applies an antique finish and wax before hand-rubbing it to create a European-style finish.



\$9,850 | bywesternhands.org



## LOLO FOLDING CHAIR

by Old Hickory

IN 2018, INTERIOR DESIGNER JEREMIAH Young — principal of the Montana-based company Kibler & Kirch — was named creative director of Indiana-based furniture company Old Hickory. His four-year stint resulted in more than a dozen pieces, including the Lolo Folding Chair. Designed to add timeless rustic elegance to outdoor living spaces, it's named after Montana's Lolo National Forest and comes with a leather sling or a Pendleton pattern for a campy touch.

\$599 | oldhickory.com

## BAYROC DINING TABLE

BY ROBERT JAMES COLLECTION

THERE'S SOMETHING MORE INTIMATE about a round dining table and, while the San Diego, California-based Robert James Collection offers a number of circular styles, the hand-crafted Bayroc stands out for its clean and classic design. The natural look of the wood top — in white oak or walnut — contrasts with the sculptural and elegant cast-stone base, adding an artistic touch to the dining area.



Prices vary  
robertjamescollection.com

## Cibolo Hutch

FROM YUCCA STUFF

BASED IN AUSTIN, TEXAS and founded by woodworker and former architect Daniel Morrison, Yucca Stuff is known

for creating contemporary furnishings that incorporate a regional flair through the use of local stone and hardwoods. This handcrafted hutch is custom-built to suit any space or architectural style. Finished in ebionized oak, oiled walnut, or oiled white oak, it features a variety of hardware options and adjustable shelves.



Prices vary  
yuccastuff.com



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# River Reflections Bedframe

from Mostly by Nature

**INSPIRED BY A FLOWING RIVER**, this sculptural headboard is made from a 2-inch-thick slab of monkey wood, a sustainable hardwood native to Southeast Asia. Featuring live edges and a smooth finish that accentuates the wood's whorls, it's framed in iron, features smooth welds, and offers earthy hues — encapsulating the calming nature of biophilic design. 

Queen: \$5,900  
King: \$6,500  
[mostlybynature.com](http://mostlybynature.com)



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