

Food & Home

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FIRST REPUBLIC The Danish furniture company Fritz Hansen has teamed up with the Scandinavian design experts Skandium to open its first British store, in the Fitzrovia area of London. The shop is called the Republic of Fritz Hansen, and will sell its own furniture by names including Arne Jacobsen, Verner Panton and Hans Wegner, along with vintage and contemporary Scandinavian designs selected by Skandium. Shown is a selection of wooden chairs designed by Jacobsen for Hansen, including Series 7, Ant, Grand Prix, Oxford, Series 8, Tongue chair and T-chair. 13 Margaret Street, W1 (0844-800 8934; fritzhanzen.com).

LATEST FLAME Fornasetti has expanded its home fragrance range, by the French candlemaker Cire Trudon. Additional images created by Piero Fornasetti in the mid-20th century now grace the ceramic surfaces of scented candleholders, incense holders and oil diffusers. Shown are the Flora ceramic and wood box containing 80 incense sticks, £145, and the 67oz Sardine scented candle, £380 (united-perfumes.com).



FEATS OF CLAY After its inaugural event in 2009, the British Ceramics Biennial returns next Friday to Stoke-on-Trent, Britain's historic centre of ceramics production.

There are six weeks' worth of exhibitions and events in and around the city, although the epicentre of the activities will be the listed site of the original Spode Pottery factory. One of the highlights this time is the Open Weekend, when visitors can have tours of some of the factories, including Potclays, where the studio potter David Frith will be giving throwing demonstrations. September 30 to November 13 (britishceramicsbiennial.com).



LIGHT TOUCH The British firm Minimalux's covetable collection of table and desktop accessories is today joined by its first light, called Bulb. The table lamp references the shape of the soon-to-be-redundant incandescent lightbulb. In a touching statement, Minimalux says it frees the lightbulb 'from its customary upright and allows it to rest on its side, relax and enjoy its retirement'. Bulb, with its compact fluorescent light source, £235 with dimmer, £185 without (minimalux.com).

ALL IS HERE The Museum of Everything, set up two years ago, specialises in exhibiting artworks by unknown, unseen and often untrained artists. Its fourth exhibition is an installation of more than 200 pieces running until October 25 at Selfridges, Oxford Street, where it has also taken over the Concept Store, temporarily rebranded the



Shop of Everything. In it are T-shirts, postcards, prints and a large range of homeware featuring artworks from the exhibition, as well as items from the Museum of Everything's own range, such as this enamel mug, £10 (0800-123400; selfridges.com).