

**Harriet Upjohn**  
**HOME Style**



**Material wealth** From a small textiles business called Materialistic, this hand-screen-printed linen/cotton tea towel says it all. \$26. Check out the rest of the imaginative range, which includes napkins and cushions, at [materialistic.com.au](http://materialistic.com.au).

*Housework Sucks*

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**Power to the people**

Look carefully and you'll see this lamp is made up of lots of tiny figures. By Philippines-based designer Kenneth Cobonpue for Hive, the Little People Hanging Lamp is typical of his playful take on everyday objects using locally sourced materials (in this case wire coated with salago fibre) and traditional hand-working methods. From KE-ZU, \$829. See [kezu.com.au](http://kezu.com.au) or phone (02) 9699 6600.



**In a flutter** We love the Little Butterflies rug, one of the latest designs to hit the floor at Cadrys. By German designer Jan Kath, the 1.5mx2m rug is made in Nepal from Tibetan highland wool and coloured with natural dyes. \$2970. See [www.cadrys.com.au](http://www.cadrys.com.au) or phone (02) 9328 6144.

**Bread alert** British designers Joseph Joseph have hit on a winner with their take on the classic bread bin. Made from melamine and beech wood, the bin's lid doubles as a bread board. How handy is that? \$99.95 from Bristol and Brooks. Phone (02) 9232 8699.

**Chic fix** If the coffee doesn't get your heart racing, this racy looking number from Bugatti will. Made of die-cast aluminium and chrome with an "optical interference" metallic finish, the Diva espresso machine is available in black crow, blue electric, green and bronze. We know Bugattis don't come cheap but thought it worth an ogle anyway. \$2200. Phone (02) 9420 2007.

**Think pink** Still stuck for Mother's Day ideas? This white Uniden cordless phone with a keypad that lights up in bright pink is perfect. For every slimline limited edition Elite phone sold, Uniden will donate \$10 to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. \$199.95. See [uniden.com.au](http://uniden.com.au).

**Hot list** For innovative and ingenious designs, check out the 2009 Australian International Design Awards website. From coffee machines and ovens to baby carriers and phones, it's all available to buy now. Pictured is Fisher & Paykel's Izona CookSurface with retractable burners. Winners will be announced at the end of the month. See [designawards.com.au](http://designawards.com.au).

