

SITTING PRETTY

C&C Sydney is now open. It's a must-visit store, located in the new Niú building – which also houses a fashion retailer. C&C carries homewares and accessories, shoes, handbags, Lisa Galimberti bed linen and Brunello Cucinelli cashmere from Italy. It's a stylish, light and bright space, perfect for showing off the too-pretty products. Pure luxury on Sydney's most elegant street. 64-66 Queen Street, Woollahra, (02) 9362 5017.



FINE CHINA

Shanghai has welcomed a new store with the opening of Design Republic's showroom. The space includes a centrally raised platform for displaying stock, and interior window displays, which are set off by music, regularly spritzed fragrances and fresh flowers. 5 Zhongshan Dong Yi Road, Shanghai, China, www. thedesignrepublic.com.

GET OUT Coast's new Auckland showroom is a 100-square-metre conversion of a wool-packing shed. The building's original steel beams have been retained, while two walls were knocked down to make way for glass sliding doors. It is now an airy store, and with hardwood decking and potted palms, it's the perfect space to show off Coast's range of outdoor furniture, beanbags and luggage. 17 Sale Street, Freemans Bay, Auckland, +64 9 354 4552, www.coastnewzealand.com.

LOOKING GOOD Brisbane's Clayfield has a new fashion store after the opening of **Bustop Boutique**. With white walls, a black ceiling, light boxes to display the selection of accessories and plenty of mood lighting, it's the perfect backdrop to showcase the boutique's emerging designers, prestigious labels and cult brands. **Shop 6, 695 Sandgate Road, Clayfield, (07) 3262 5823.**



WELL TIMED

In June, supermodel and Omega brand ambassador Cindy Crawford came to Sydney to open the brand's first Australian store. It's an exciting time for the company – Omega's first Russian store recently opened in Moscow. Expect plenty of halogen down-lighting – to really make the product, including watches and jewellery, bling – creamy walls, comfortable chairs and glass cabinets. 60 Castlereagh Street, Sydney, www.omegawatches.com.

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TAKING TO THE HILLS In Sydney, a new Format store has recently opened at 146 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills. The space is filled with the latest directional furniture, accessories and lighting lines from Europe. Keep an eye out for the newest creations from Established & Sons, Lladró, Arflex, Droog and Vitra.