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Two reasons to visit Birmingham

Quirky home and outdoor living up-and-coming brand Pedlars started life as a small company in the Highlands. Now they have stores in London's Notting Hill and Talbot Road and Hawarden in North Wales, ten minutes from Chester.

In March the company expanded its wings further still as Pedlars opened their new concession shop-within-a-shop at Selfridges, Birmingham, in the Bullring. Like the others, the store showcases the design-led home, clothing, outdoor living and pure fun products that we love. Visit www.pedlars.co.uk to find out more.

Also having recently opened its doors in Birmingham is the latest addition to the Mamas & Papas family. The new store offers the same brilliant baby and children's furniture, bedding and accessories that are available in their 35 existing stores.

Getting pride of place in store is their new boutique interiors collection for little girls – 'Très Petite' pictured right. "By focusing on quaint patterns, trend-inspired vintage prints and soft washed-out pastels, we're confident that this collection will add a dreamy wistful charm to any girl's nursery," said Sonia Kelly, Mamas & Papas' commercial manager for nursery interiors. Other Northern Mamas & Papas branches include Leeds, Liverpool, Manchester and Sheffield.

Visit: www.mamasandpapas.com for full store location details.

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HEART OF GLASS

Makers of covetable porcelain and handmade glassware LSA International have launched their new spring/summer 2009 collection. Offering over 900 pieces to choose from, the collection should come with a warning that it's near impossible to look at without wanting to buy at least half of it. Pictured is glassware from the 'Spiro' (right) and the 'Hula' (above) ranges. Prices start from: £8.

Tel. 01932 789 721 for more information or log onto www.lsa-international.com to view the new products.



LIFT OFF

Recently relaunched, Spacecraft's new website makes choosing your design classics a doddle. Bursting with iconic names such as Vitra, Knoll and FritzHansen buying those Eames tables (right) or Saarinen Tulip stool (pictured far right) to complete your home has never been easier. To make life even better, *Concept For Living* readers can get 25% off any purchases made on www.spacecraftint.com until the end of July. See page 99 for further details. Visit the new website for yourself at: www.spacecraftint.com or tel. 0207 253 5800 for more information.



Kitchens to kill for

The North just became kitchen heaven as superior fitted kitchen manufacturers AFG Kitchens have opened three new stores. The concessions, which can now be found in furniture group Cousins stores in Manchester, Birmingham and Dudley, showcase products made with the AFG ethos that the kitchen isn't just a place to cook, but is a place to "eat, chat, laugh and enjoy life". And with their clean-line designs and focus on quality, form and function, we say bon appetit to that!

Go to: www.afgk.co.uk to find out more or call 0844 800 2007.



DON'T FORGET THE 21ST

If you haven't got it marked in your diary yet, 21 June is Father's Day. Stuck for ideas on what to buy dear old dad? Country Gingham's range of products is bound to have something that fits the bill. With wicker wine baskets and a host of garden-related products their fun but purposeful accessories are the ideal way to bring a smile to your dad's face. Bird feeder containers pictured above are £24. Handmade trowel and fork £9 each. Tel. 0870 850 8564 or visit: www.countryingham.com to order online.



Famous for their 'You'll either love it or you'll hate it' slogan, you'll definitely love this quirky Marmite-jar inspired toast rack, £12.99, from www.totally-funky.co.uk

Lunchtime buy

Thomas Paul's signature Sea Life patterns can now be found gracing these super-cute cushions as part of his Supernice range. Featuring designs incorporating seahorses, lobsters and goldfish the range is a great way of bringing a hint of the seaside into your home. Head to the website on your lunch break and treat yourself. Prices from: £45. Visit: www.supernice.co.uk to find out more.

