

HOME SPADESIGN

getting the look

RECLAIMED WOOD FURNITURE

"MAKING FURNITURE FROM RECLAIMED WOOD IS MOSTLY an artisanal phenomenon at the moment," says Maggie Wood, whose eponymous green-design firm is in Jamesport, New York (www.maggiewood.com). "But there's a lot of material out there, from wine caskets to old barns, so I think the trend will grow." The advantage of reclaimed wood is its depth, texture, and burnished beauty, which can be the ideal accent to a bathroom done in the temple materials, glass tile, stainless steel, and cool marble.

JOHN HOUSHMAND ▼ ITEM 0076

This lavishly understated chaise is stop-you-in-your-tracks stunning, as is the price tag (US\$17,200). It's a one-of-a-kind creation, crafted by Houshmand at his 800-acre farm in upstate New York. The slithery body, an organic S-curve in bronze, rests on an old-growth heart-pine beam rescued from a Manhattan building about to be demolished. 212-965-1238, www.johnhoushmand.com



BRENT COMBER ► ALDER CUBE

Brent Comber's pieces evoke the forests of the Pacific Northwest—he's a fourth-generation Vancouverite—yet look at home in an urban loft or a California bungalow. He works with hardwood, from fallen or condemned trees, meaning ones that were cleared to make way for power lines, the source of the wood in this piece. The Alder Cube is perfect as a stool or storage table. From US\$1,050. www.brentcomber.com

MI WORKSHOP ▼ BLOCKLAMP

This flamboyant torchère-style light (12" x 12" x 34") provides atmospheric glow for a large bathroom. The flexible neck is anchored in a base of reclaimed poplar timber with a natural-oil finish. It's the eco version of Design Within Reach's popular Papiro Lamp. US\$250. www.mi-workshop.com



WHIT MCLEOD BARREL ▼ HEAD TOILET SEAT

This northern California workshop specializes in heirloom-quality Arts and Crafts furniture using reclaimed lumber. But it also has a soft spot for oak wine barrels, which are discarded after seven years. McLeod's toilet seats are made from the



head (top) of the barrel. Each one showcases the cooperage that fabricated it. You can even select barrels from specific wineries; among the options is Vicard. US\$145. 707-822-7307, www.whitmcleod.com