

# THE MODERN REPORT

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**THE HOTTEST TRENDS IN DESTIN:**  
The Tribeca Chaises by American Leather, Eileen Gray Chrome and Glass tables, zebra wool rug, curly lamb pillows. Available exclusively at ISIDRO DUNBAR MODERN INTERIORS.

*Fresh from the furniture market* in High Point, NC, I was grateful to attend Vladimir Kagan's 80th birthday party at American Leather, co-sponsored with Metropolitan Home Magazine,

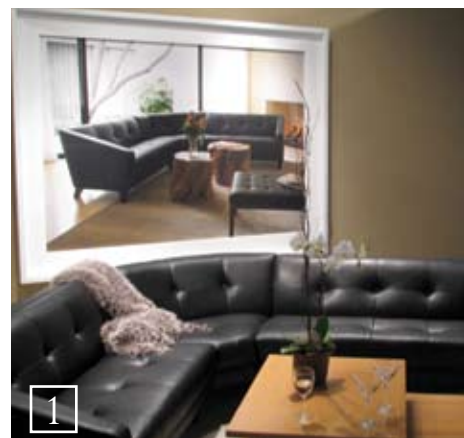
hung out with Alexander Julian, saw HGTV's Candice Olson... and that was just a few of the big name designers that were there!

While at Market, I looked at thousands of sofas, hundreds of chairs, tables, lamps and accessories. I walked the halls and the multiple buildings, looking for the new, the different, and the creative... simply trying to discern the next big trend, realizing that I had already bought it for our store... and it is already here!

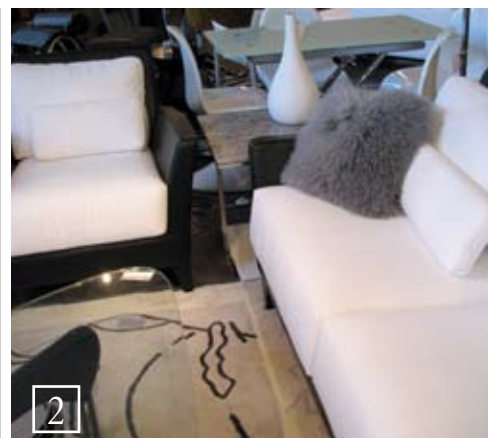
Gone are the days when *modern* had to take a back seat. Modern is now the fashion-forward style, and it is what is hot in the Market. No more fluff—no more “fru fru.” Modern is all about keeping life

simple, and making your life easier. Today's modern is not that old black lacquered look with the cheesy gold accents. It is sophisticated. And, don't forget comfort—good modern is always comfortable. That's why modern was generating all the buzz at Market, and people wanted more. Even the traditional vendors are moving toward the modern look and working in black and white. (See sidebar for more hot colors).

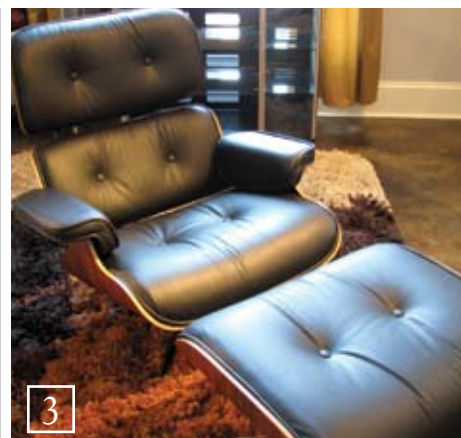
The styles: modern, classic—square arms, some gentle curves, sophisticated tailoring, clean lines, crisp i.e. the classic Eames chair, Barcelona chair, or Corbusier recliner. Go for space-appropriate pieces,



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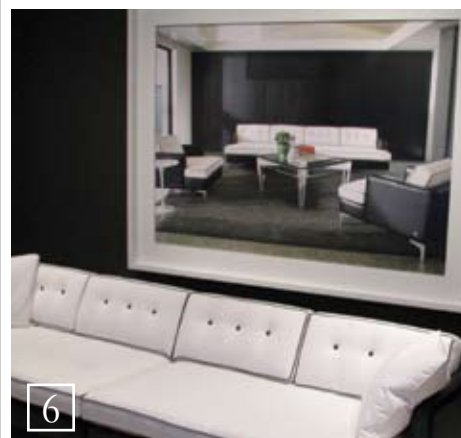
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making sure that you use the help of an interior consultant to do your space. Designers see scale, contrast and proportion in a different light.

Mixing textures of leather, hides, ultrasuede, metallic leathers, and adding the softness of chenilles, linen and patterns appropriate for scale and proportion of the room, or the furniture pieces. Glass, stainless steel, and natural stone—all are great for tables.

Window treatments are minimal. You paid for that view; let it be seen in all its glory. Don't overdo the windows again—keep life simple.

What's wrong with letting your furniture take the stage in a room? Keep your knick knacks to

a minimum. You and your furniture are the most important elements of a room. Your furniture reflects *your style*. You dress with style, in the current trend, so why not have your home reflect that same style? Ask yourself: have I ever put on that simple black dress, with the most beautiful simple diamond necklace, and just went for it? That is where we are going with modern style. It is that black dress, and a touch of glamour—always in style. Make the same statement in your home's décor—keep it simple.

New items and lines are arriving daily, and quite a few attractive vendors are vying to be included in our mix. The times are changing—all for the good.

FACING PAGE, upper top left to right: The TREND—White leather sofa; HOT—Zebra Wood cube table. Lower page: 1) Vclero by Vladimir Kagan for American Leather Sectional in Gray Leather; 2) Constellation by Michael Wolk for American Leather Sofa and Chair in White Ultrasuede, and Black Leather, complemented with a Noguchi style coffee table; 3) An Eames Style Recliner and Ottoman, Black leather, and rosewood frame; 4) White Ultrasuede slipper chair, contrasted with a lamb pillow; 5) Zermatt by Paolo Favaretto for American Leather, white leather sofa and chair; 6) Tibeca by American Leather Ultrasuede with Contrast Leather piping. All items available exclusively through ISIDRO DUNBAR MODERN INTERIORS.

## hot hues

Black and white, or white with black — accent with red



Taupe and gray, brown and black — accent with hot pink or deep teal



Zebra woods, bamboo and natural woods with a soft patina.



Metallic of all colors are coming on strong, pewter, gold, and copper... and a slight curve of a deco influence.