



Rich and sumptuous

Find hand-embroidered satin quilts at Toast House and Home, in ochre, gold or cerise, £195, with matching cushions, £25 (rectangular) or £35 (square). Velvet cushions (left) range from shades of Nankeen yellow to Persian grey, £29 to £59, while Moroccan handblown glasses in lustrous tones (below) are £25 for six. Translucent geranium and glycerine soaps in gera, £15 for four, look like precious stones. Call 0844 557 0460 or visit toast.co.uk



Keep warm on a chilly night in style with this embroidered and quilted gold hot water bottle cover (above) from Rice, £30, which also comes in pink. Other temptations include a practical and pretty painted wood stool with a crocheted covered lid that opens to reveal storage, available in pink, green or purple, £92.50. To find your nearest stockist or to buy online, visit rice.dk.

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From sumptuous quilts to jewel-coloured glass, there's a wealth of new styles for your home



Natural beauty

Luma, run by Alison Satasi, specialises in fairtrade products. Favourites include a black and white jute and cotton laundry basket, £85, handwoven by women in rural northern India, and organic cotton blankets, from £88. She also sells the softest cashmere blankets and vintage Indian throws, from £125. Call 0845 094 2598 or visit lumadirect.com.

Faux florals

Get the contemporary country look from Sorbet, Debbie Gent's company, which she runs from the South Downs in Sussex, along with a B&B. Her range of flowers, including viburnum, £5.50 a stem, ranunculus, £2.50 a stem, and dahlia, £2.50 a stem, may be faux but you'd never know it, and will bring a welcome touch year round. Also worth a look are her wirework baskets, pretty pottery, and hand-blocked pastel wallpapers by Connell de la Mare. Shop online at sorbet.uk.com.



Contemporary glass



The opulent Zofia collection (left) of handmade columnar vases from LSA International feature entwined spirals of clear glass, made using two layers of glass, one coloured, the other clear. They come in gem-rich shades of violet, olive, peacock and deep red, and start from £83.50. Call 01932 789721 or visit lsa-international.com.

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