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Cocoon up in the cosy *Mbrace* by Sebastian Herkner. With a solid teak base, open-weave seat and stylised high back, the ultra comfy chair begs for bottoms. Available in three fresh colour patterns and a choice of seat cushions. Available on island at [www.idgcayman.com](http://www.idgcayman.com)



Add a spot of sunshine outside with the *Sixties Chair* by Frédéric Sofia. Available in four colourways, the painted aluminium and woven polymer seat is a modern interpretation of old school wicker style. [www.fermob.com](http://www.fermob.com)

# OUTDOOR CHAIRS

By Kyle Fulton



Get strung out on Stephen Burks' *Traveller Armchair*. Designed to celebrate Roche Bobois' 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the kaleidoscopic chair comes with an optional hood and weatherproof leather cushions. [www.roche-bobois.com](http://www.roche-bobois.com)



Unwind in style with the *Maia Relax*. Designed by Patricia Urquiola, the chilled out chair embraces the strength of an aluminium frame with tropical-friendly UV-fade resistant weave to impressive effect. [www.kettal.com](http://www.kettal.com)

# Dwell

Here are a few of the biggest decorating trends around the globe



Youthful Sophistication



New Luxury



New Vintage



Striking Light Fixtures



# VELA

Where elegant, contemporary aesthetics and luxury lifestyle amenities combine.

*Words by Natasha Were. Photography by Deep Blue Images [www.deepblueimages.com](http://www.deepblueimages.com)*

Located a stone's throw from the sea, in the tranquil South Sound neighbourhood, Vela is one of the most appealing residential developments in Grand Cayman.

Designed and built by Davenport Development – a company that has garnered an excellent reputation for its solid construction, affordable price point and superb community facilities – Vela is being developed in three phases. With Phase I now complete, the ground works and foundations are underway for Phase II.

The second phase of the gated residential community features a total of 56 units: 12 one-bedroom apartments, 8 one-bedroom townhomes, 10 two-bedroom townhomes, 14 three-bed townhomes and 12 four-bedroom townhomes.

Modern Caribbean in style, with sleek lines, flat roofs and ample outdoor space, all units are arranged around a lushly landscaped common area, the centrepiece of which is a stunning 50-metre pool, complete with swimming lanes, sun shelves and a children's play area.

Designed for active, health conscious residents, aside from having the first Olympic-size pool in Cayman, the development features a tennis court, gym and yoga room, plus storage space for kayaks and paddleboards, ensuring fitness enthusiasts of every persuasion are catered to. A second tennis court and gym will be added in Phase III.

Additional facilities and amenities include a clubhouse and function room with a full kitchen for events, a full-time on-site property manager and a concierge service to take care of domestic chores when residents are short on time.





Inspired by Mediterranean living, each home includes a variety of outdoor spaces: all homes feature entry courtyards on one side and a covered terrace on the pool-facing side. In the townhouses there is an additional covered terrace off the master bedroom and flat roofs provide a bonus, breeze-cooled space that is perfect for entertaining.

Complementing the lifestyle made possible by these features is the peace of mind of knowing the construction is exceptionally strong and the homes economical to run. Walls are built with Insulated Concrete Forms, roofs are concrete and windows are made from reflective, impact resistant glass, all of which keep cooling costs down and ensure the structure is hurricane-proof. Air conditioning units from Otis Air are energy efficient, whilst ovens and stove tops from A.L. Thompson's, as well as the water heaters and washer dryers are propane-fuelled, further reducing electrical costs; residents also have the option of installing solar panels on their roof terraces.

Buyers who reserve early may customise a number of features and finishes, and can even alter room layout if requested early enough in the construction process. For those seeking a totally turnkey solution, affordable modern furniture packages are available from Dwell by IDG.

With resort-style amenities, high quality construction, a secure entry system and designed-in energy efficiency, Vela embodies Davenport Development's commitment to delivering outstanding value together with an enviable lifestyle. [www.davenportdevelopment.com](https://www.davenportdevelopment.com)



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Suggestive of landscapes and horizons, *Demeter Stripe* by Kallianthi Wallpapers for Harlequin is a glorious choice for a feature wall. Available in two colourways, this one combines the depth of turmeric yellow with vibrant magenta and soft pebble. [www.harlequin.uk.com](http://www.harlequin.uk.com)



Awaken walls with a splash of *Airy Luminous Yellow* from Valspar. Warm and sunlit it invigorates the senses without overwhelming a space. Available on island at [www.althompson.com](http://www.althompson.com)

Elevate the tabletop with a Le Creuset *Deluxe Round Trivet*. With a distinctive design and cheery enamel finish that resists chipping and cracking, the tripod adds visual interest to its usefulness. Available on island at [www.bonvivant.ky](http://www.bonvivant.ky)



Bring some sunshine to the beach in the solid yellow *Matelasse Bikini*. Subtle top stitching elevates the triangle top, while a unique side loop and back ruching add sporty elegance to the bottoms. [www.vixpaulahermanny.com](http://www.vixpaulahermanny.com)



# HELLO,, YELLOW

By Kyle Fulton

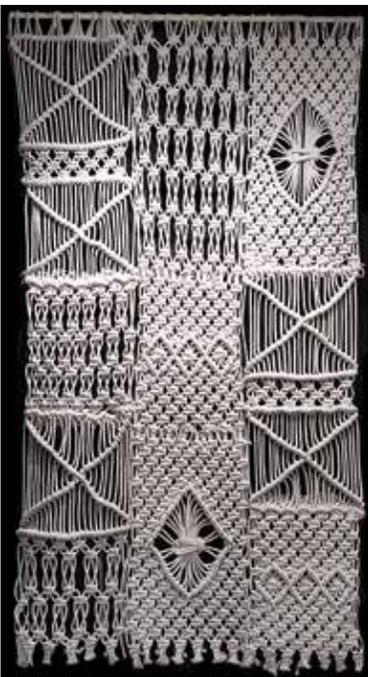


Let your fingers do the talking with a *DY Signature Oval Ring* from David Yurman. Sporting a faceted lemon citrine surrounded by pavé diamonds, it's a brilliant conversation starter. Available on island at [www.kirkfreeport.net](http://www.kirkfreeport.net)

Add a zesty punch with tiles from *ITC Tile*. Bright and bold these lemon yellow glazed ceramic tiles are an easy way to infuse sunshine when no window is available. Available on island at [www.caymantile.com](http://www.caymantile.com)



Buttery soft leather and high Italian style combine in the *Tempo Sofa* by Natuzzi Italia. Conceived of by architects Manzoni and Tapinassi, it incorporates mustard yellow leather and clean metal legs for a timeless design. Available on island at [www.idgcayman.com](http://www.idgcayman.com)



The epitome of bohemian island chic, a macramé work of art creates a light-hearted atmosphere in a room where guests will want to hang out. Available on island at [www.idgcayman.com](http://www.idgcayman.com)

Fashion the ultimate welcoming vibe with a pair of comfy pyjamas. Perfect for the hot tropics, the 100% fine cotton *Marina Pyjamas* feature piping trim and French seams for a cosy sleep. [www.sleepyjones.com](http://www.sleepyjones.com)



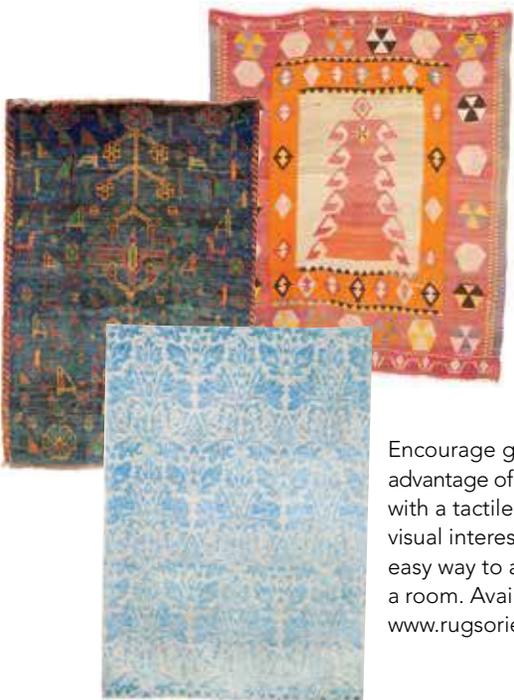
Thoughtful touches like these chic canisters and fanciful lacquered boxes help visitors keep knick-knacks within reach but out of sight. Available on island at [www.designstudio.ky](http://www.designstudio.ky)



Beautiful to behold and inhale, a room diffuser enlivens the senses. Hand poured in small batches, Belle Fleur's olfactory offerings lets guests savour their holiday. [www.bellefleurny.com](http://www.bellefleurny.com)



Shine a light on late night sessions with a funky bedside lamp. The *Caprice Lamp* is clean and colourful, while the *Mini Knot* is modern yet rustic. Available on island at [www.designstudio.ky](http://www.designstudio.ky)



Encourage guests to take advantage of barefoot island living with a tactile rug. Also delivering visual interest, carpets are an easy way to add design depth to a room. Available on island at [www.rugsoriental.ky](http://www.rugsoriental.ky)



Avante-garde, these marble bowls give guests easy access to trinkets and treasures they've collected on their trip. Available on island at [www.idgcayman.com](http://www.idgcayman.com)

The perfect vessel for healthy snacks or as a catch-all for keys and cameras, this copper bowl lets guests know you're pleased they came to visit. Available on island at [www.vigoro.ky](http://www.vigoro.ky)

