made for you













In a world of fast food and one-size-fits-all sensibilities, how often does something feel made especially for you? The "Made for You" section celebrates those items that are created with such high quality of hand-workmanship and degree of customization that they become individual to you. In each issue, our editors will endeavor to bring you special things from anywhere on the globe, choosing them solely on the basis of outstanding quality. Our goal is to give you guidance on the best of everything.

THE SHIRT WEB—LISTE ROUGE PARIS

The same impeccable Liste Rouge custom shirts that since 1938 you had to go to Paris to buy are now available to Americans through the magic of the Internet. Customers who visit the Liste Rouge Paris site will be guided through the simple steps of taking their own measurements and have the same choice of more than 200 shirtings that visitors to the store enjoy, as well as a choice of details like collar and cuff style, button color and monograms. A test shirt goes out for approval in about three weeks from the Normandy workshop and there is no minimum order. www.listrouge-paris.com

2 VALIANT VALET—VALET MASTER

Everyone with a cherished wardrobe, late hours and a penchant for cigars knows the value of a convenient clothing valet on which to drape and air garments. Now Valet Master offers one that will also hold your loose cigars in an optional Spanish cedar humidor drawer. At five feet tall it's built for a tall man but can be ordered shorter. Every facet of the Valet Master is customizable with your choice of wood and hardware finishes, drawer configurations and drawer liner colors. 800-718-1887 or www.idworks.us

3 DIAL A DRIVE—TAYLORMADE R7

Putting for dough is fine, but all golfers yearn to drive for show as well. The TaylorMade r7 Quad allows golfers to custom-tune the titanium club's launch conditions to their swing strengths—or weaknesses. Changing the position of the four weighted screws creates six settings. Career slicers can hit it straight by adjusting for a draw, while those who hit worm burners can adjust for high-flying tee shots. In the hands of a pro, it's magic—Retief Goosen wielded an r7 at Shinnecock to win the U.S. Open this year. www.taylormadegolf.com

4 UNIFORMLY STYLISH—GIEVES & HAWKES

Anchoring the base of London's Savile Row, it's no wonder that Gieves & Hawkes holds warrants from the royal family, yet its longest tradition—begun when the firm was founded in 1785—is as a military and naval outfitter. Now most of the uniforms it crafts are outfits for business, not belligerence, but the same tradition for flawless hand-tailoring hold. The bespoke service and the less costly personal tailoring option boast that they will create suits to your specs—not a uniform at all. G&H is also becoming strong in off-the-rack suits. www.gievesandhawkes.com

ON THE WALL—BULTHAUP

The company that joined contemporary style, quality craftsmanship and ergonomics in the modern kitchen has just waged its latest revolution that will take kitchen furniture off the floor and put it on the wall. The bulthaup b3 system combines high-tech lightweight materials—some of which come in gauges 10 millimeters thin—with a functional wall system on which units can be anchored. The concept makes its kitchens all the more customizable to your space as units fairly float on the wall. Maybe best of all, you can sweep under them. www.bulthaup.com

6 SOCK IT TO 'EM—PANTHERELLA

Long known for its exquisite male hose in superior fabrications in a plenitude of patterns, Pantherella of Leicester, England, has developed a new high-tech cotton knitting technology to go with its signature hand-link toe seam. Dubbed "micro-cushioning," it greatly heightens the comfort level where the foot meets leather without adding bulk to the sock. You can still get your Panthers in cashmere, cashmere/wool, silk, sea island cotton and Super 100 wool. www.pantherella.co.uk