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## Going Green

A varied selection of sustainable materials

The BP oil spill has thrown into relief (once again) the perilous state of our natural resources. Though we may not be able to clean up our oceans (or stem the tide of corporate greed), we can all make small gestures that, when added up, have a big impact. Using responsibly produced, recycled, and recyclable materials is one such modest act. In response to a growing demand from ecoconscious architects and interior designers for green finishes and materials, manufacturers have developed a range of high-performance surfaces to choose from. Victor Innovatex's polyester fabric, for instance, is made from postconsumer recycled material and uses ion technology for antimicrobial protection. Treefrog emulates the look of exotic woods using thin wood veneers of Forest Stewardship Council-sourced poplar. Here we offer a short list of the latest innovative and sustainable products, from PVC-free wallpaper to bamboo flooring. ■

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### 01 BARDELLI FORNASETTIANA TILE COLLECTION

Designed by the late, great Piero Fornasetti, this collection consists of 12 patterns of hand-applied decals on a matte-white or glossy base. It is available in the United States from Hastings Tile & Bath. [www.bardelli.it](http://www.bardelli.it)  
[www.hastingstilebath.com](http://www.hastingstilebath.com)

### 02 TERAGREN PORTFOLIO STRAND BAMBOO FLOATING FLOOR COLLECTION

This series of strand-bamboo flooring comes in ten colors and textures (Paris Black, a deep black with hand-applied streaks of brown, is shown). It features a fold-down locking system for quick and easy installation. (800) 929-6333  
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