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# the domino guide to chests of drawers

Not just for the bedroom, these stylish workhorses provide extra storage in any room. Plus: expert advice on how to pick a piece that's built to last.

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A spot-on reproduction of an 18th-century Gustavian piece, right down to the substantial brass hardware.  
*Vagabond Vintage* 44" x 20" x 36" "W-Gus" pine chest \$1,595 [MOTHOLGY.COM](http://MOTHOLGY.COM)

**CHAIR** Antique faux bamboo \$650 and

**TRAY** Limoges porcelain \$50 David Stypmann Co. (212) 226-5717

**LAMP** Castiglioni spun polymer on enameled frame "Gatto" \$430 Guéricón (212) 462-2149

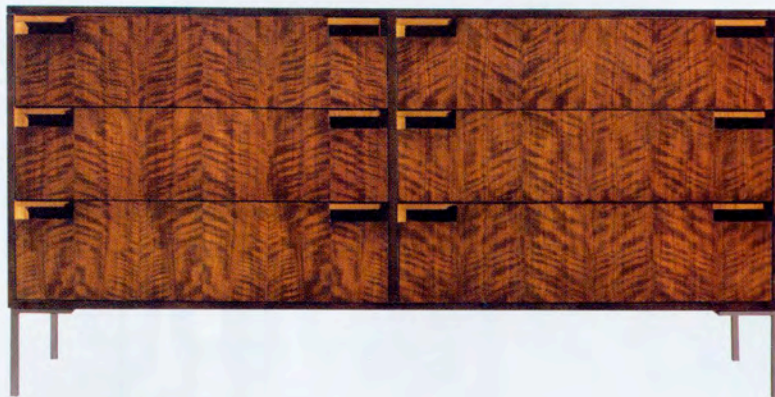
**BOWL** Footed ceramic \$35 Aero Ltd. (212) 966-1500

# low rider

Long profiles utilize horizontals.

Angular cutout handles and herringbone-ish burl wood are as debonair as a fine suit.

Thomas O'Brien walnut 68" x 22½" x 35½" "Thomson Chest"  
\$6,600 AERO LTD. (212) 966-1500

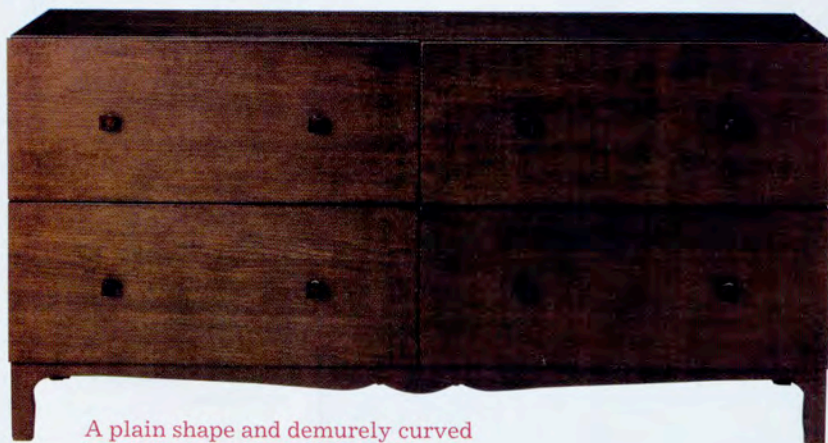


Instant entertainment center: flat-screen TV on top, DVDs and remotes below.



This sleek version of a French standard features an especially solid back—essential for long pieces.  
Modénature varnished sycamore 63" x 18" x 30"  
"Pantalonnier Chest" \$5,260  
INTÉRIEURS (212) 343-0800

Made of sustainably harvested solid white oak, and with enough hand-sanded drawers to double as a dining sideboard.  
63" x 19¾" x 22½" \$2,495  
DE LA ESPADA (212) 625-1039



A plain shape and demurely curved bracket cleverly meld Shaker simplicity with Baroque prettiness.  
Oak 60" x 18" x 30" "Silhouette Dresser"  
\$699 BROCADE HOME (800) 276-2233

## EXPERT ADVICE, PART I: MATERIALS

Valerie Moran, a 27-year veteran of the luxury home-furnishings industry and chairman of B & B Italia USA, advises on what to look for in high-quality furniture:

**wood** It's critical that it be kiln-dried (to 8 to 12 percent humidity), so be sure to ask. Otherwise, the materials will be unstable and likely split over time.

**finish** Good wood furniture should feel satiny to the touch, both inside and out: The edges of doors and insides of drawers should be just as smooth as the other surfaces. Veneers shouldn't have any bumps or bubbles, and you shouldn't be able to slip a fingernail into any seam.

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