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1 Sixty years ago Marimekko took the world by storm with its boldly coloured and patterned wares. The Finnish company continues to reign with its latest collection, 'Weather Diary', in which designer Aino-Maija Metsola celebrates the painterly beauty of the elements. Shown: 'Kuuskajaskari' linen (£46 per m) and a selection of 'Oiva/Weather Diary' china (from £16 for a cup). Ring 00 35 897 5871, or visit marimekko.com.



2 Ercuis brings a spoonful of pattern to the table with its 'Arts Décoratifs' flatware, imbued with 'the essence of the International Exhibition of Decorative Arts held in Paris in 1925'. It's available in 30 lacquer colours and eight engraved designs (from £119 approx for a mocha spoon). Ring 00 33 1 40 17 01 00, or visit ercuis.com.



3 The 'new way' of Moissonnier's 'Meyzeray' chest-of-drawers (£6,525) means the chance to have the existing handcrafted Directoire-style piece painted in the motifs and colours of your choice. That's thanks to a team of artisans based in its Bourg-en-Bresse workshops, established in 1885. Ring 00 33 1 42 61 84 88, or visit moissonnier.com.



4 The houndstooth check, once the preserve of Scottish shepherds, has been purloined by Paola Navone for her Paris café-style 'Como' woven chair (\$399), one of many items that the Italian designer created for

American firm Crate and Barrel. Ring 001 630 369 4464, or visit crateandbarrel.com.



5 For her cushions 'New Duncan' (left; £250 approx) and 'New Rollo' (£309 approx), Gabrielle Soyer of Lindell & Co coloured the classic tiger and leopard patterns and had them executed in hand-knotted silk. The results are a roaring success. Ring 00 33 1 43 57 43 42, or visit lindellandco.com ■