



Factors like self-assembly and flatpack shipping help to achieve low costs. As long as the quality of the materials or the design itself isn't overly compromised, these types of products can offer enormously good value

**ABOVE** Kristalia 'Plana' chairs in Beige, Black and White, \$284 each, from Fanelli. Fermob 'Bistro' table, \$750, from Cotswold Furniture Collection. 'Diamond' acrylic pitcher, \$39.95, from Domayne. Aluminium classic bowl, \$100 for a set of three, from Terracotta Works. 'Diamond' hi-ball cup in acrylic, \$10.95, from Domayne. Fringed towel in White, \$75, from Cotton Love Home. 'Log 650' plastic wicker chair in Black, \$259, from Chairbiz. Coast 'Marine Bean' outdoor ottoman (available in 10 colours), \$350, from Orson & Blake. Brisbane wattle tree, \$60, from Wirreanda Nursery. Terracotta pot 40cm, \$33.50, from North Manly Garden Centre. 'Painted with Penitence' Lime Wash in 'Donkey's Tail', \$33 per 1L, from Murebond. Hay 'Hee' powdercoated steel rod lounge chair (available in five colours) by Hee Welling, \$410, and 'DLM - Don't Leave Me' powdercoated steel tube side table by Thomas Bentzen, \$532, both from Corporate Culture.

## want more?

Once you have familiarised yourself with the market, you will feel more confident in your choices. Here is our pick of some other stellar buys ...

**DINING CHAIRS** Blu Dot 'Timber' solid wood, stackable design by John Christakos, Charles Lazor and Maurice Blanks, \$539, from Interstudio. 'Lizz' by Piero Lissoni, \$390, from Kartell.

Feelgood Designs 'C607' chrome or powdercoated and rattan chair by Yuzuru Yamakawa, \$490, from Orson & Blake.

**DINING TABLES** Feelgood Designs '167' by Takahashi Asako, \$1850, from Orson & Blake. Hay 'Sara' powdercoated steel tube design available in Black or White by Hay Studio, \$2585, from Corporate Culture. 'Ikea Stockholm', \$899, from Ikea.

**LOUNGE CHAIRS** 'Sorrento', from \$705, from Temperature Design. Parri 'Mamy' by Marco Maran, from \$1685, from Stylecraft. 'Paley', \$1580, from Kim Snow Furniture.

**LIGHTS** Ligne Roset 'Very Thin' chromed metal and polished aluminium floor light by Arik Levy, from \$590, from Domo Collections. 'Ikea 365+ Brasa' floor light, \$239, from Ikea.

'Beat' pendant lights by Tom Dixon, from \$451, from De De Ce. **SHELVING/STORAGE** Hay 'Cano' three-shelf unit by Johannes Norlander, \$1009, from Corporate Culture. 'Trollsta' sideboard in Yellow or Black, \$679, from Ikea. 'Willow' shelving, available in standard and custom sizes, from \$1880, from Zuster.

**OUTDOOR** 'Quay' sun lounger, \$399, from Freedom. 'Tia' three-piece balcony setting (includes two chairs and a side table), \$1199, from Domayne. Driade 'Pip-E' chair by Philippe Starck, \$440, from Space. **ADDRESS BOOK** page 171



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The interesting thing about the traditional style of joinery found in this kitchen is that it has been given a zesty new look with a coat of 1970s-inspired orange paint. Paired with fresh white benchtops and neutral flooring, it retains a chic contemporary feel without looking too conformist. For a similar bright colour, try British Paints' Tiger Stripe, [www.britishtpaints.com.au](http://www.britishtpaints.com.au), or for a laminate finish, try Formica 'Energie', [www.formica.com.au](http://www.formica.com.au).

#### 7. TIMELESS BEAUTY

There is no doubt, white is to kitchens what black is to dresses. There's a classic timelessness about a fresh white kitchen that always delivers, no matter what the style. The seamless look of this kitchen is highlighted by the absence of cupboard hardware. The uninterrupted surfaces create a streamlined effect that puts the focus on the cooktop. To create the same look, speak to your joiner about including finger-pull lips to open all drawers and cupboards.

#### 8. HOT CHOCOLATE

There's a lot to be said for mixing it up when it comes to kitchen surfaces. This Sydney room by Carbeni Architects is proof that a fusion of Laminex timber veneer in Hazelnut, [www.laminex.com.au](http://www.laminex.com.au), earthy CaesarStone quartz in Mink, 1300 119 119, and white polyurethane can strike the perfect balance when combining classic and contemporary surface elements. To ensure a feeling of warmth flows throughout, dark timber floorboards have been matched to the veneer.