

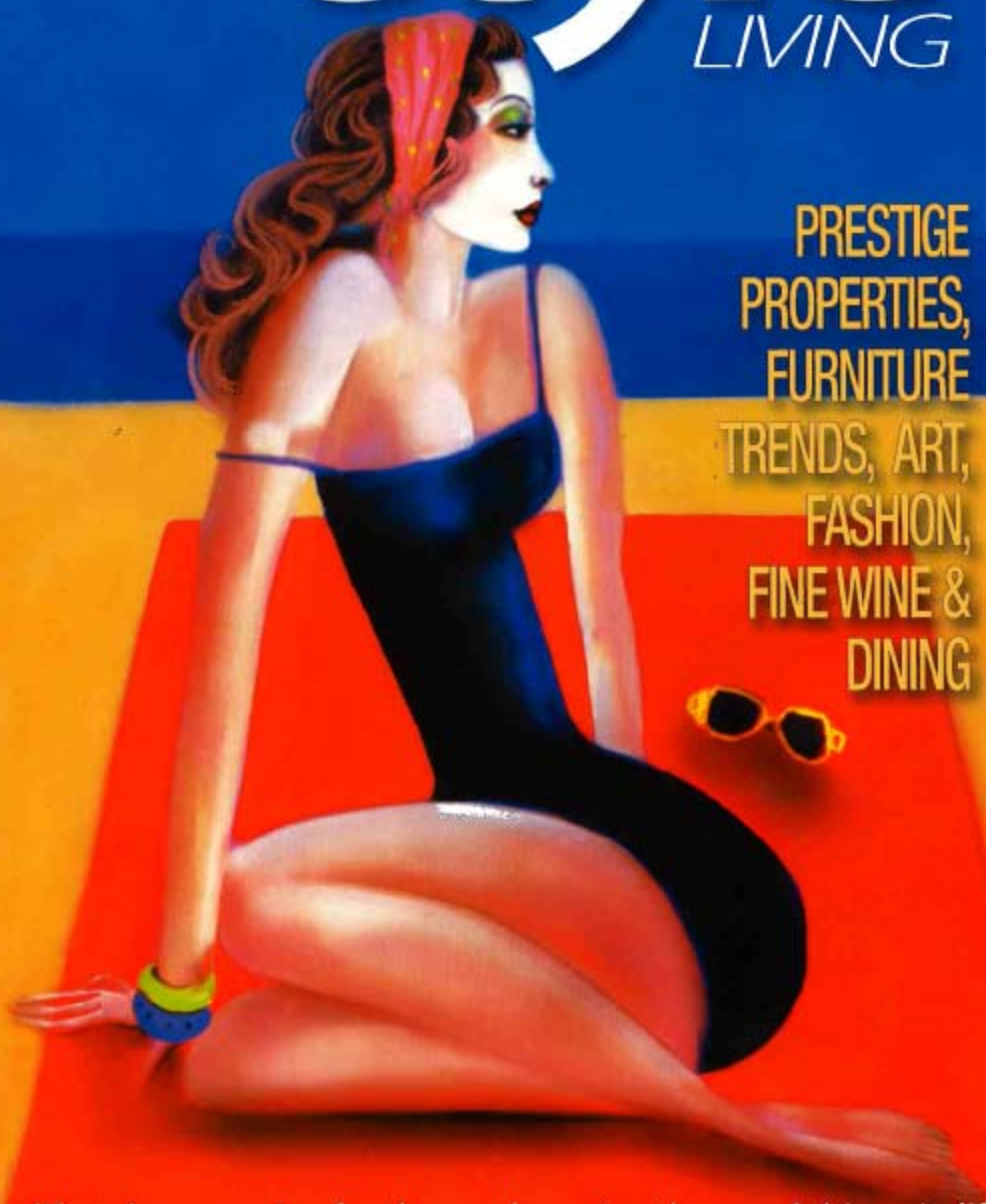
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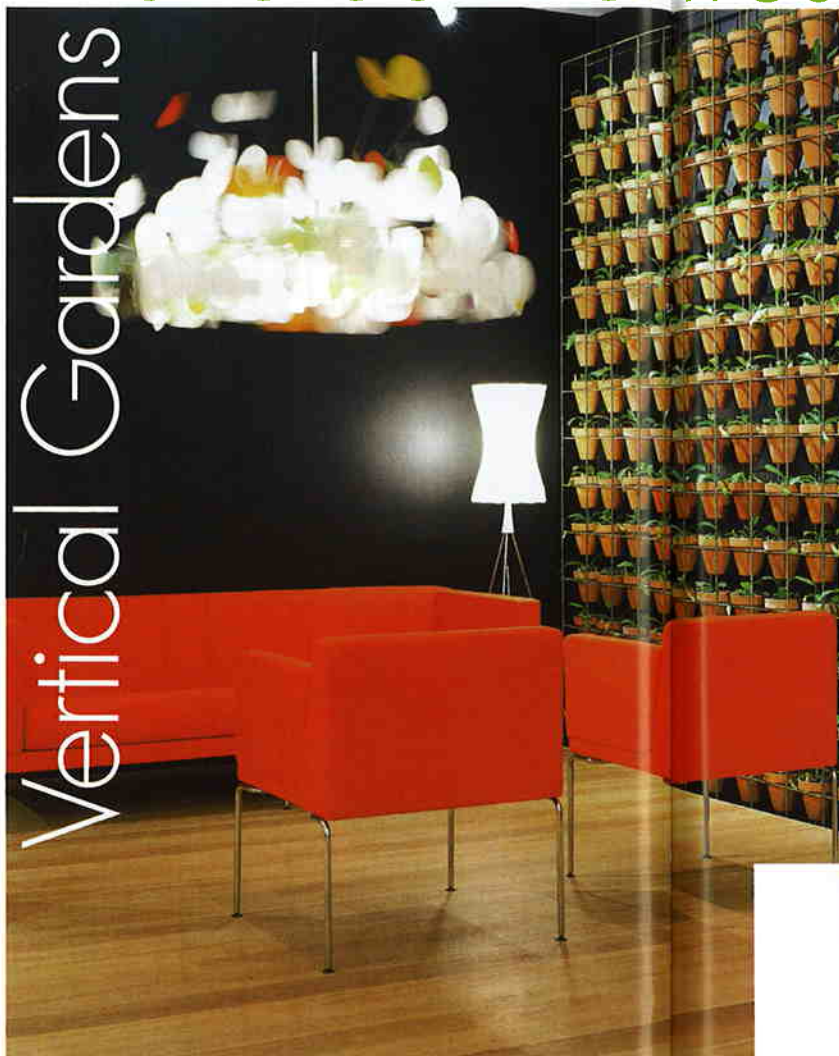
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RESPONDING TO A RECENT RESURGENCE OF THE INDOOR PLANT MARKET, THE CONTEMPORARY AND ENVIRONMENTALLY CONSCIOUS



**V**ertical Garden, designed by Joost Bakker and distributed exclusively by Schiavello, improves lifestyle, work performance and culture.

The average Australian spends up to 90% of their time indoors, despite the fact that, according to current research studies, indoor air generally contains higher levels of pollutants and contaminants, which can be more toxic to humans than the air outside.

It is with these findings in mind that Schiavello presents Vertical Garden - an organic approach to reducing the impact of artificial spaces. Designed by renowned installation artist, Joost Bakker, Vertical Garden encapsulates Schiavello's pursuit of innovative commercial design, environmental sustainability and client centric focus.

Research shows that good indoor air quality is an important component contributing to productivity, comfort and a sense of well being. Indoor air should also be free from odours, dust and contaminants, and be circulated to prevent stuffiness without creating drafts.

Two potted plants per 30 square metres of floor space will

help clean and freshen the indoor air quality.

Dr. Bill Wolverton, ex-NASA scientist and pioneer in plant studies on indoor air quality, suggests placing a plant within your 'personal breathing zone', approx. 1.6-2.4 metres around your workspace, where you watch television, or sleep.

Extremely space efficient, Vertical Garden is a grid system that allows numerous plants to be stacked vertically in freestanding columns or walls - dramatically transforming any space. Infusing an industrial sculpture with living plants, the design consists of natural materials interfaced with aspects of urban living, architecture and environment - and architectural highlight, allowing leaf and residential, retail and hospitality environments.

"The main philosophy behind my work is I don't try to imitate nature. I do the complete opposite while still respecting it, the Vertical Garden is a living product." said Joost Bakker.

To ensure effortless maintenance, Schiavello have chosen to recommend Rentokil Tropical Plants.

Vertical Garden is available in raw, black powder coated or galvanised finishes.

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