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More than just a paean to an architectural style, Cape Cod Modern (Metropolitan Books) illuminates a rich, under-appreciated moment: from 1938 to 1977, when the towns of the Outer Cape drew a hyper-creative crowd of designers—schooled in art and intellectuality, in addition to the traditional values—like psycho-analysis who built there each August. Walter Gropius, Marcel Breuer, and other members of the elite Bauhaus tribe coalesced with American modernist architects, and just about everyone built themselves simple retreats that expressed the organic, post-Pollock, post-war materialism of men imbued with an incipient respect for fisherman's homes. The interiors of Nathaniel Saltmarsh's Nauset House have suffered orders of unframed beams. The house, like the flowering of a distinctly regional modernism marked out by flaxen connections but instead by deeply personal, idiosyncratic endeavor. As the houses, tourists eventually discovered this paradise, and moved in there, too. 

SAND CASTLES

INSPIRED BY THE PASTEL HUES AND RENEWED GO-TO GIVE OF MIAMI HE RECENTLY COMPLETED A SKY-HIGH, SEXY RENOVATION OF CHANEL'S BAL-HARBOUR BOUTIQUE. ARCHITECT PETER MARINO HAS INTRODUCED FOUR NEW COLORWAYS TO HIS LINE OF FURNISHINGS FOR THE LUXURY ITALIAN FRM POLTRONA FRAU: "IT'S A BIT OF A DEPARTURE FOR THE DESIGNER, WHO IS BEST KNOWN FOR DEPLOYING WHITE, BLACK, AND BROWNS TO DISCRIMINATE. STRIKING EFFECT, BUT IT'S A HAPPY ONE." THIS PALETTE IS FUN," MARINO SAYS, "AND SO DIFFERENT FROM THE ONE I CONTINUALLY USE IN MY WORK." THE THREE-PIECE COLLECTION OF PETITE-SCALeD SOARS AND CLUB CHAIRS IS SWATHED IN A RANGE OF SUPPLE, HANDCRAFTED LEATHERS AND HIDES AND NOW COMES IN FETTING PINK, BLUE, BEIGE, OR GREEN (POLTRONAFRAU.COM).