haute hardware

James Cutler often had trouble finding sleek hardware to outfit the contemporary houses he built. So the Seattle-based architect created his own line. The 11-piece Cutler Anderson collection features handcrafted levers, door knockers, latch boxes, and cabinet pulls. Customize Cutler's designs by drawing from an assortment of material options that includes bronze, stainless steel, and anodized aluminum as well as beech, cherry, maple, and other woods. From $17 to $332. 914-220-0277, reveal-designs.com. —Kristine Solomon

it's a clean machine

Your mopping days are over, thanks to iRobot's Scooba, a floor-washing robot that deftly does the job. Using sensors to navigate around the room, the 10-pound circular device cleans hard surfaces such as tile, linoleum, and sealed hardwood. Just fill the tank with a specially formulated bleachless solution (one ounce covers about 200 square feet) and Scooba will swoop up debris, apply cleanser, scrub, and dry. The 3½-inch-high device even gets at hard-to-reach spots under furniture, and a patented infrared technology helps it avoid carpets and stairs. $400. 877-855-8593, irobot.com. —Joel Bernstein