




# hot chocolate

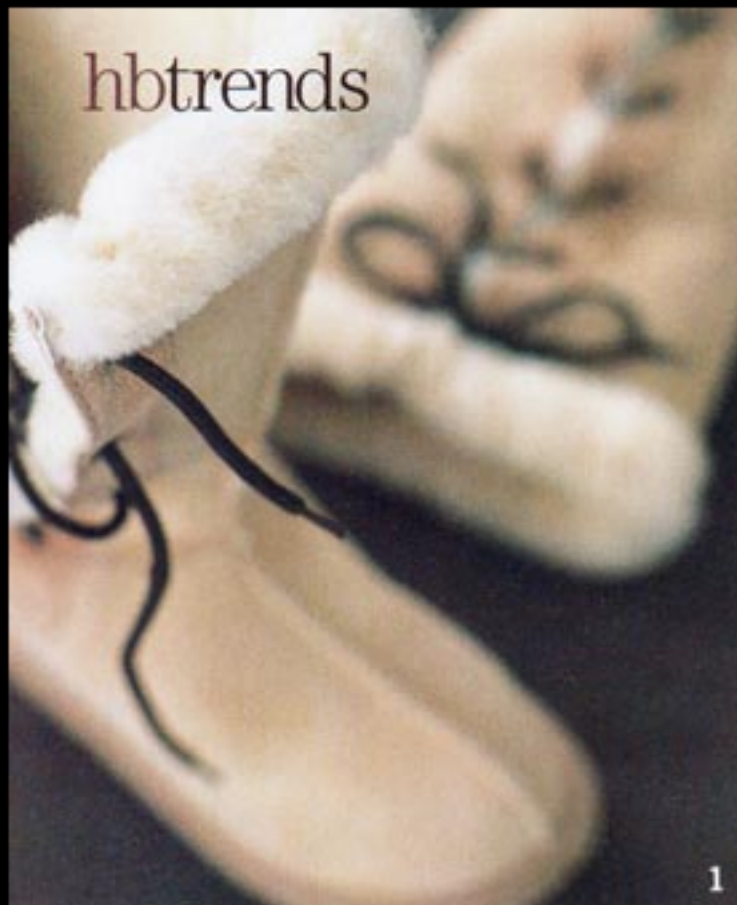
Hallelujah, chocolate's back in vogue. Aren't you glad you never gave it up in the first place? Think rich, dark, warm – and that's just the cushions...

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Hug cup & saucers,  
\$30 each, **Chocolatier**  
\$50, both Max Brenner.  
Nicole Lister **patty pans**,  
\$46, Planet Furniture.  
Chocolate **truffle** from  
Just William Chocolates.

lavish warm  
chocolate tones  
– get a taste for  
mocha, coffee,  
nutmeg, cinnamon  
and cocoa



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**chocolate craze**

- Unlucky 18th century Germans needed a permit to indulge in chocolate
- Clever Swiss chocolatiers invented filled delights, and, of course, Toblerone
- It's no surprise the Swiss are the world's biggest chocolate eaters
- Chocolate is an essential army ration, and has even been taken into space

Be it for breakfast or after dinner, there's never a bad time to succumb to your chocolate desires

**1** Chocolate bamboka angora throw, \$275, Papaya. Long side-lace ugg boots, \$129, Skinny's. **2** Charcoal grass weave wallpaper, \$330/roll, Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. Pordamsa rectangular ceramic tray, \$30, Pordamsa mugs \$15 each, Valencia mug \$28, all Papaya. Back: Tania rollond plate, \$33, cup, \$19, both Planet Furniture. Hackman Piano Workshop 98 teaspoon, \$387/16 pieces, Peter's of Kensington. **Chocolates** from Just William Chocolates. **3** Chocolate bamboka angora throw, \$275, Papaya. Origo mug, \$17.50, Origo saucer, \$24, both Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. **4** New England mocha fabric \$83.60/metre, No Chintz. French cherrywood drop-leaf table, \$3600, small cake stand, \$30, large \$70, all Imagine This. Rowie's almond & orange cakes blanketed with soya chocolate ganache, from \$20 each, all Rowie's Cakes. **5** Charcoal grass weave wallpaper, \$330/roll, Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. Brown napkins, \$7 each, Orson & Blake. AHM porcelain cups, \$40 each, All Hand Made. Limited series 50 teaspoon, \$57.50/five-piece set, Living Edge.



rug up in snowy woollens and indulge your passion for white chocolate

Chocolate bemboka  
angora **throw** under-  
foot, \$275, Papaya.  
Pompom knitted **socks**,  
\$66, Gusto knitted  
**dress** \$308, both  
Purl Harbour.

sweet nothings

- Chocolate contains iron, calcium and anti-oxidants, which are said to prevent heart disease, premature ageing and even cancer
- One little bar also triggers the release of feel-good brain chemicals serotonin and endorphins
- Dark chocolate is rumoured to boost "good" cholesterol by 10 per cent!



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Once reserved only for the gods and the outrageously rich, chocolate still deserves to be treated with respect

**1 Candles**, \$7-\$70, Candle Craft. **2 French cherrywood drop-leaf table**, \$3600, Imagine This. **littala Aarne shot glasses**, \$34/2, Peter's of Kensington. **White embossed plate** \$12, Papaya. **White resin side plate**, \$40, Dinosaur Designs. **3 Charcoal grass weave wallpaper**, \$330/roll, Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. **Long wooden plate**, \$42, Orson & Blake. **White and dark chocolate powder**, \$15/box, both Max Brenner. **Chocolate beans** supplied by Max Brenner. **4 From top: Bemboka angora cable knit throw**, \$680, Plane Tree Farm. **Cream Bemboka angora throw**, \$275, Papaya. **St Albans mohair rug**, \$145, Living Edge. **White Muskett & Mazzullo bobble throw** in English lamb's wool, \$750, one eighty degrees. **Alpaca throw**, \$315, Orson & Blake. **Chocolate Muskett & Mazzullo throw**, \$950, Plane Tree Farm. **Mocca St Albans mohair throw**, \$145, Living Edge. **5 French cherrywood drop-leaf table**, \$3600, Imagine This. **Matt black cups and saucers**, \$129/four cups and teapot, Designers Guild.



When drinking chocolate, dim the lights, close your eyes and listen to the most beautiful music, says chocolate guru Max Brenner. (Like we need the instructions!)

**THIS PAGE** Charcoal grass weave wallpaper, \$300/roll, Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. **Suckao** including spoon, \$45 each, **chocolate shavings** \$13/box Max Brenner. **OPPOSITE PAGE** Charcoal grass weave wallpaper, \$330/roll, Chee Soon & Fitzgerald. Mezzola faux suede **cushions** in linen, cocoa & nutmeg, \$79 each, Designers Guild