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Shady Lace Parasol Things are gettin' shady under this garden umbrella by Kabel for Droog Design. With an intricate foliage detail laser-cut into an under fabric in the waterproof shade, the all-weather parasol casts beautiful leafy shadows that turns your sun deck into an enchanted forest. (Open is just over seven feet. \$695; stool separately, \$145; conran.com). —FH

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Twist & Spout Designer Nicolas Lehoucq created his award-winning waterspout to find a suitable means of reusing a plastic water bottle. The design's screw-top cap turns a size water or soda bottle to create an all-in-one watering can (long and short nozzle. \$5; mxyplyzyk.com). —Callie Jenschak

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Rizzoli The famed Italian purveyor of books has over the years produced an entire catalog of gorgeous coffee table books. With a National Universe imprint and partnership with Flammarion and Skira, the company has set the ante on modernism in hardcover. A stack of architecture and design books is as much nourishment for the mind as it is for the eye. Rizzoli's editors have their finger on the pulse of what's happening right now and next in design in the United States and abroad. (rizzoliusa.com). —Michael Lassell

18 • • • Fancy Dress

Lila Bench Designer Margaret Elmer has a little quirk with her classics. Updating them with bold, unexpected fabrics and traditional paint treatments, she's putting a new spin on some vintage furniture. Each piece receives a moniker that adds character, from a French settee named *Madame* to a footstool dubbed *Puddin'*. Here, *Lila*, a 1900 boudoir bench, gets sassy in vintage carpet. (\$3,025; chaircouture.com). —Elaine

19 • • • Floral Display

Deliriously Daisy Rug by Christine Jasper Van Der Hurd The perfection of geometry and the gaiety of uninhibited color combine in *Deliriously Daisy*, a rug that brings a room sing. The surface is a low-top, pliable backing is safely nonskid. Cut of New Zealand wool by the award-winning Van Der Hurd Studios of London and New York. (Example shown measures three feet in diameter. \$1,125; vanderhurststudio.com). —Elaine

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RugBuddy Radiant Rug Heater For the why-didn't-they-think-of-that-before? file, a 1/2-inch-thick mat that lays over area rugs and plugs into an outlet to create instant radiant heat, invisible and safe on any surface—including wood, cork, or stone carpet—the *RugBuddy* turns a drafty spot into a well-heated nook with zero installation costs. The warming wonder comes in sizes from 3 by 2 feet to 5 1/2 by 8 (1150; speedheat.us). —Kate Walsh

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