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ROYAL REGALIA

On the floor or against the wall, this queen is all yours. Add a dash of regal style to your home with

the Royal Mail stamp rugs. These are kitschy tapestries emblazoned with the Queen's image. Handcrafted in Kathmandu, Nepal, with New Zealand wool, these accents are marketed by the UK-based company Rug Maker. To mark the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II or the 60th year of her accession to the throne, a limited edition line comprising 30 pieces is being launched. See www.stamprugs.com.



OFF THE PEG

Rock on or peace out, these wall hooks will definitely get a thumbs up for their quirk quotient. The glossy hands which express a series of familiar gestures, including the middle finger, can be easily fixed to the wall. Titled Handjob, these are made out of composite and are truly utilitarian items. You can use them as wall art or to hang your clothes. Modelled on the size of a woman's hands, the objects are designed by London based studio Thelermont Hupton. For more on these wares, log on to www.thelermonthupton.com.



COLOUR CONSTELLATION

A cat has nine lives and so does the ebullient sofa, To Gather. This linear seating arrangement can be transformed into a love seat or a lounge for a playful touch. The standard seat is 50cm wide and is available with or without a set of arms. Unlike regular seating arrangements, this vibrant piece of furniture can be put together by linking a number of uniquely-shaped units in different permutations and combinations. The bright seats, created by UK-based design firm Studio Lawrence, were launched amid much fanfare at IMM Cologne in January. Log on to www.studiolawrence.com for more.