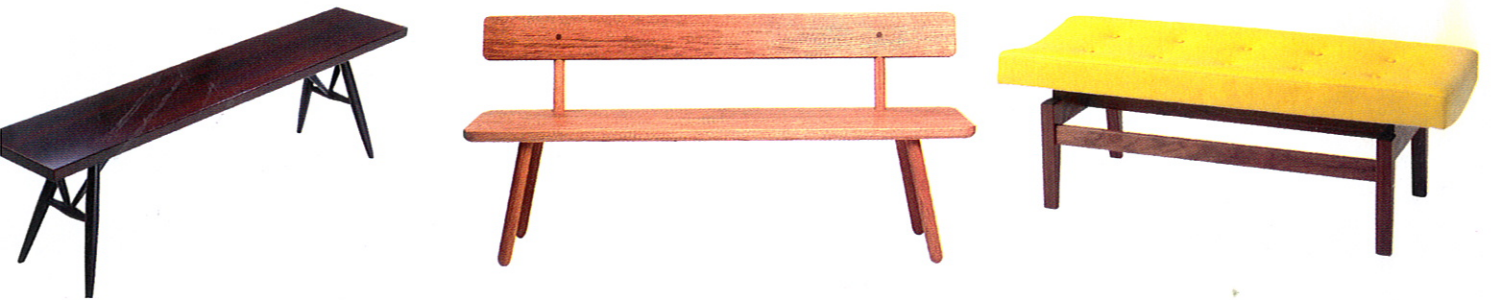


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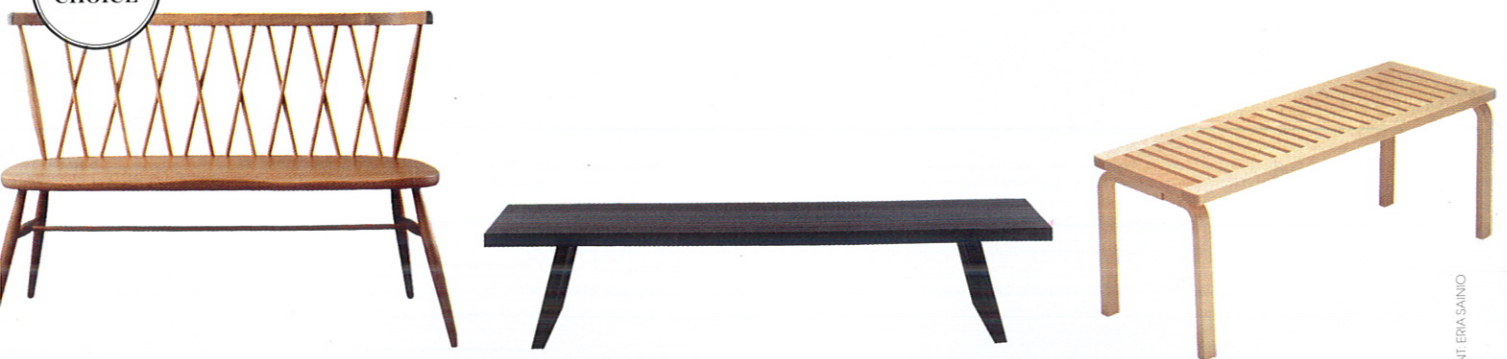


From left 'Pirkka' stained pine bench by Ilmari Tapiovaara for Artek, £530, The Lollipop Shoppe (thelollipopshoppe.co.uk). 'Bench One Back' oak bench by Paul de Zwart and Dom Parish, from £575, Another Country (anothercountry.com). 'U620' black walnut bench with leather seat by Jens Risom, from £1,656, Benchmark (benchmarkfurniture.com)



From left 'Windsor Settee' ebonised maple bench by Christopher Speece, approx £4,900, Matter (mattermatters.com). Ash bench by George Nelson, from £970, Vitra (vitra.com). 'Väderö' painted acacia wood bench by Jon Karlsson, £45.95, Ikea (ikea.co.uk)

EDITOR'S CHOICE



From left 'Chiltern' oak bench by Ercol, £399, John Lewis (johnlewis.com). 'Groove' stained hemlock wood bench by Piero Lissoni for Porro, approx £1,080, Aram Store (aram.co.uk). '153A' birch bench by Alvar Aalto for Artek, £469, Skandium (skandium.com)

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