





ASHLEY HICKS

11 THINGS HE CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT

"It would have been pretty impossible for me not to end up being a designer," says Ashley Hicks, whose father was the late interiors icon David Hicks—his clients included Helena Rubinstein and the Prince of Wales. "I did try." Indeed, the young Hicks careened from military hardware design (as a kid) to classical modern architecture (at 14) to studying painting and then architecture before finally succumbing to the inevitable. Hicks worked with his father for a few months, then started his own firm, launched a furniture collection—his 7. Gucci Velvet first piece was a modern interpretation Evening of a Greek klismos chair—and began Slippers with Snakes designing residential interiors for members of various European royal families. He also has a fabrics line, Ashley Hicks Textures, and, most recently, created a mirror-andcolored-vase design for the pop-up restaurant of Michelin-starred chef Heinz Beck at Brown's Hotel in London. "I quite like a bit of confusion, to have something that looks thrown together but is actually

perfectly calibrated," he says of

his aesthetic. VANESSA LAWRENCE



1 TOTEM SCULPTURES I started selling my sculptures through R & Company, and now they are like traveling gnomes.

2 REMARKABLE TABLET

doodling and sketching. It really is like drawing with a pencil.

My new obsession for

3 SIMON ORRELL SIDE TABLE IN

skin genius. 4 A HUNTSMAN

I give them to the sort of people who say, "Scented candles are so vesterday...oh, scented matches!"

6 SCULPTURAL FORM LAMP BY **ROGAN GREGORY**

These organic shapes are after my own heart-they're beautiful.

7 GUCCI VELVET EVENING SLIPPERS WITH SNAKES

Normally, I just wear these at home.

8 TONGUE IN CHIC BY ANGELICA HICKS

My daughter is quite the little wit, and she has a very quick pen.

9 ED KLUZ COLLAGE

He does these evocative drawings that he paints and cuts out to make a collage.

10 JENNIFER SHORTO FORBIDDEN FRUIT WALLPAPER

This is a scenic paper, based on Edward James's garden in Mexico.

11 ASHLEY HICKS SHEET SET FOR FRETTE

You can order these in any custom color you choose. I have them in terra-cotta and









Gemma

sculpture

totem

74 ELLE DECOR

5. Buly 1803

Scented Matches.

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