

New England
designers share their
favorite resources
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Perspectives

Summer Entertaining Bar Cart



KELLY TAYLOR

Mojito Cart by Cattelan Italia

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"The trolley bar on wheels won't be just an accent at your next summer gathering. I love the perfect mix of bright chrome and matte wenge." *The Morson Collection, Boston, (617) 482-2335, themorsoncollection.com*

LIZ MCCABE

Bar Cart no. One by The New Traditionalists

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"Drinks carts are a must for entertaining on the terrace or on a big screened porch. I think it is important for the wheels to glide smoothly. My favorite feature is the built-in ice bucket—look closely." *K Colette, Portland, Maine, (207) 775-9099, kcolette.com*



LINDA MERRILL

Orleans Service Cart

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"This serving cart evokes a recent stroll through the Garden District of New Orleans ogling all the beautiful wrought iron work that the area is known for. Stock it up with the makings for a Mint Julep or a Pimm's Cup, even a Hurricane, and *laissez les bons temps rouler!*" *Frontgate, (888) 263-9850, frontgate.com*



Summer Entertaining Serving Tray

LIZ MCCABE

Oyster Platter by Alison Evans Ceramics

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"One of my party favorites—a raw bar! This large, ceramic oyster-shell bowl, crafted in Yarmouth, Maine, is perfect filled with ice and scattered with scrumptious oysters and shrimp. Serve with chilled vodka." *Nest, Dedham, Mass. (781) 329-6466, nestdedham.com*

LINDA MERRILL

Honeycomb Handed Melamine Tray

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"I'm a huge fan of John Derian's decoupage work. This tray is both whimsical and graphic, which works with any style of outdoor space, from a modern pool to a gazebo in an English garden." *Lekker Home, Boston, (617) 542-6464, lekkerhome.com*



KELLY TAYLOR

Jonathan Adler's Lacquer Hexagon Tray

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"This hexagonal lacquer tray will add some colorful punch to your tabletop. I love the bright orange, but if you're planning your July Fourth soirée, you can also grab it in red, white, and blue." *Jonathan Adler, Boston, (617) 437-0018, and Chestnut Hill, Mass., (617) 232-0502, jonathanadler.com*



JOEL BENJAMIN



A 2012 recipient of *New England Home's* "5 Under 40" award for excellence in design, **Kelly Taylor** is known for her architectural approach, her warm, modern interiors, and her attention to the inherent style of each client. *Kelly Taylor Interior Design, Providence, (401) 437-6363, ktid.net*

Summer Entertaining Barware

KELLY TAYLOR

Moroccan Tea Glasses

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"I got my first set of Moroccan tea glasses fifteen years ago and I still love them. These timeless table toppers come in all kinds of intricate patterns and colors. Mix them up or stick with one color for a more classic, monochromatic theme." *Frog and Toad, Providence, (401) 831-3434, frogandtoadstore.com*



LINDA MERRILL

Clear Ruby Pitcher

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"The hobnail detail of this vintage-looking beverage pitcher reminds me of my grandmother's Cape Cod house, where she always kept a crystal hobnail decanter filled with ice water in the fridge. This acrylic version is perfect for outdoor and poolside use." *Through Sur La Table, various locations in New England, (800) 243-0852, surlatable.com*



LIZ MCCABE

Sea-Themed Glasses

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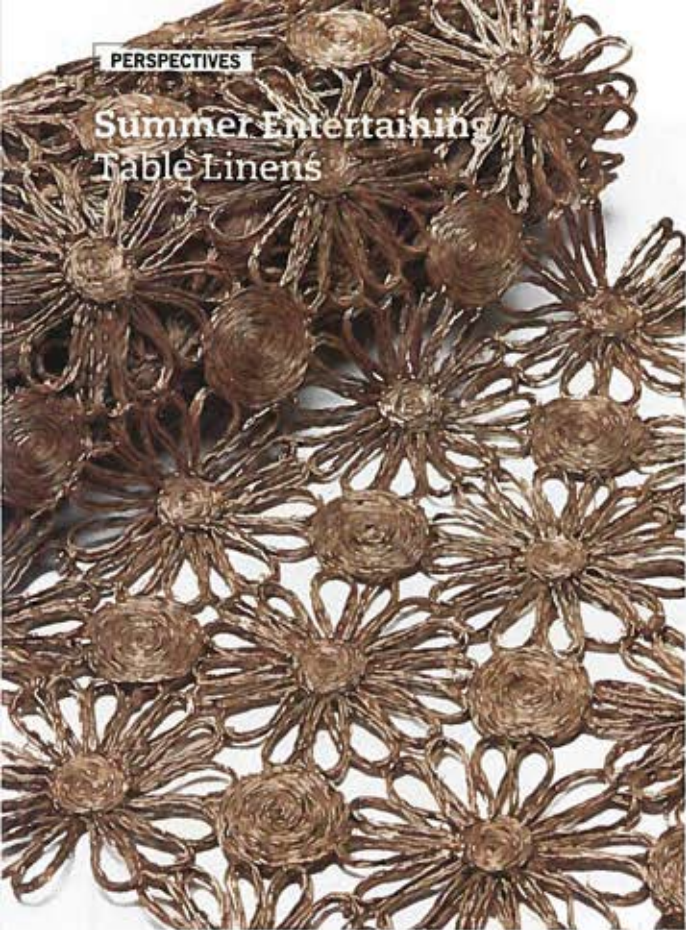
"Outdoor entertaining can be smart and casual or elegant and sophisticated, depending on how you style it. Everything always tastes better in crystal, whether it is lemonade or fine Louis Latour. The detail on these divine glasses is not to be believed." *Trove, Weston, Mass., (781) 642-0484*

DANIELA FERIGSON



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Summer Entertaining Table Linens



LIZ McCABE

Daisy Braid Table Runner

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"This natural braided table runner caught my eye. I love old-fashioned braided straw rugs in the summer. I thought, why not use something similar on the table? I like the neutral color with all-white linens, but it comes in a variety of colors, as well."

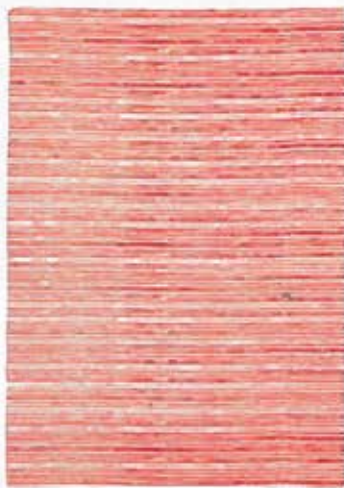
*Linens on the Hill, Boston, (617) 227-1255,
linensonthehill.com*

LINDA MERRILL

Pehr Designs Persimmon Napkins, Placemats, and Storage Bin

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"This is my new favorite outdoor color! These mix-and-match linens come in a wide variety of colorways and patterns, and can be stylishly stored away in the matching canvas bin." *Available at home stores throughout New England, pehrdesigns.com*



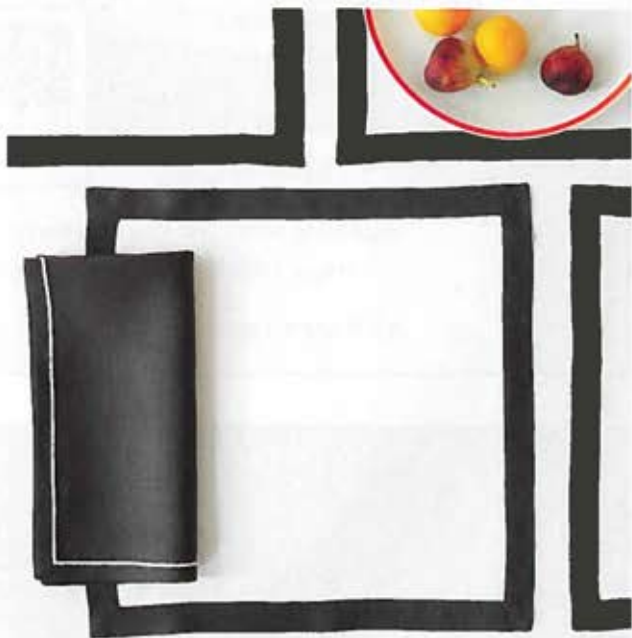
KELLY TAYLOR

Matouk Square Placemats

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"When it comes to setting the table, I like linens that are classic and contemporary. Matouk's square placemats with satin-stitch napkins are just that, and they come in ten colors, including this rich smoke gray."

*Matouk Factory Store, Fall River, Mass.,
(508) 997-3444, matouk.com*



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