

# PRIVATE BANKING

## Elegance

*Who has it and  
can you buy it?*

CATE BLANCHETT  
Is this the world's most  
elegant woman?

**MOTORING:** love your car  
**BUSINESS:** start a dynasty  
**INTERIORS:** let in the light  
**PROPERTY:** find a second home  
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PLUS  
Douglas Hurd  
Freya North  
Sandi Toksvig

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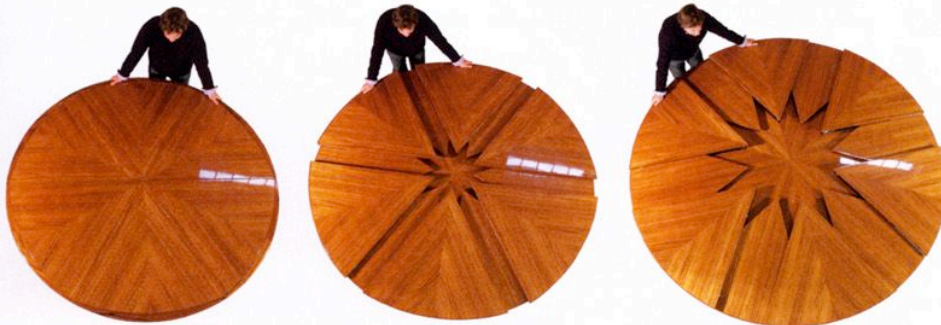
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## TURN STYLE

Unequivocally the best looking turntable ever to grace the planet, the Bluemotion is a triumph of form and function that, yes, sounds good, too. Instead of gimmicks and fussy touches, its killer feature is the warmth you'll get from your vinyl - it'll make you want to listen to your entire music collection again. The needle cartridge is top quality; which is just as you'd expect for a turntable's key component.

Turntable, £720, Clearaudio  
(stoneaudio.co.uk)



## TOP TABLE

Not every wonderful piece of technology needs a silicon chip. This is a luxurious Fletcher Capstan Table, with an almost magical system of pie-shaped wooden leaves that double the table's size when the top is rotated through 30 degrees. Cleverest of all, the table stays a perfect circle, and the extra pieces (including an intricate, central 'duodecimal star') automatically hide themselves away when returned to the original size.

Table, prices from £25,000,  
Fletcher Capstan  
(dbfletcher.com/capstan)

## BEYOND THE SKY

Why settle for a 160GB Sky HD box when you could have over seven times the capacity with a Uvem computer? This sleek media server doubles as a personal video recorder (PVR) and ultra-capacity MP3 and DVD player. It looks gorgeous and will slot smoothly into your existing home-cinema rack. A range of Uvem systems is available from £2,000.

Uvem Classic 200 Media Server,  
from £3,000 (uvem.com)



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## KEEPING WATCH

Most soothsayers predicted the mobile would be the death of the wristwatch. Sony Ericsson thinks otherwise, and has joined forces with chrono-crafters Fossil to produce a Bluetooth watch that wirelessly links to your phone to show who's calling and who's texting. It's a solid, analogue affair, and about as Dick Tracy as watches come.

Bluetooth watch MBW-100, £235,  
Sony Ericsson (sonyericsson.com)