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Raising the Bar

Happy hour gets an upgrade thanks to the elegant bar cabinet

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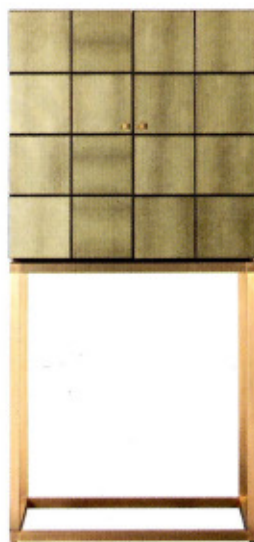
Mad Men may have poured its last Old Fashioned, but the art of drinking is alive and well. The original liquor cabinet was a piece of furniture called the cellaret, a small, movable wine cooler that came into fashion in mid-18th-century England. These chests quickly made their way to the American colonies, where they served as an important fixture in the stylish parlors and dining rooms of the wealthy, particularly in the South. Made from mahogany or walnut and lined with metal, cellarets took on varying shapes—square, round, octagonal—and came with heavy locking lids to protect the contents from theft. As cabinetmakers like Thomas Sheraton developed dining room furnishings, cellarets were often integrated into sideboards. And when the flow of alcohol was curbed in the 1920s, the need for secure storage proved all the more important. These specialized cases became the perfect place to keep liquor out of sight (but, of course, never out of mind). ►

The "Cleo Bar Cabinet" from Hickory Chair is a handsome piece of furniture with ample space to stock a full bar (hickorychair.com). The "Fern" decanter is by William Yeoward (michaelcfina.com); Ralph Lauren Home makes the "Durban" cocktail shaker and nut bowl (ralphlaurenhome.com).

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"Downing"
westelm.com



"Riesling"
armanicasa.com



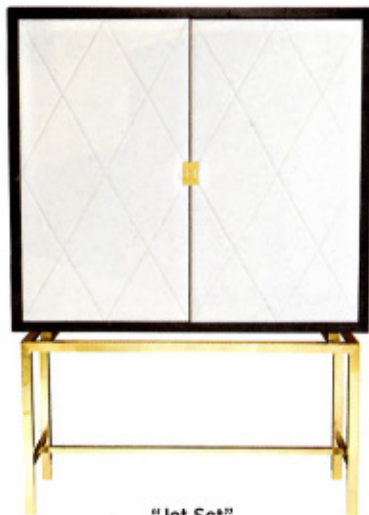
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"Lasalle"
mgbwhome.com



"Jet Set"
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Our Designers Say...

"Downing" by West Elm

"I'm obsessed with this piece! It is not only following form and function, but the current colors of brushed brass and white are on point and what is trending now in case goods, accessories, and fine art."

—David Brian Sanders, Los Angeles

"Riesling" by Armani Casa

"I love the lightness and geometric preciseness of this piece. The shagreen finish is lovely. I would use it standing by itself in a niche or at the end of a long hallway where you could get a distance perspective of it."

—Tom Stringer, Chicago

"Dillon" by Kelly Wearstler

"I love this cabinet because it not only has the old school glamour of being a cocktail cabinet, it also brings in the aesthetic of Jean Prouvé with the edgy circular cutout details, making it both modern and an instant design classic."

—Martyn Lawrence Bullard,
Los Angeles

"Knowledge" by Kindel Furniture

"This elegant bar cabinet is perfect for a library or living room. The clean lines and simple splayed gilt legs are a striking contrast to the chinoiserie lacquer design. It is sculptural but useful and would look stunning outfitted with crystal barware and pretty decanters."

—Amanda Reynal, Des Moines

"Lasalle" by Mitchell Gold & Bob Williams

"This little bar has such big appeal! It references midcentury design without feeling dated or gimmicky, and the rich wood, raised-diamond parquet pattern, and antique brass accents make it feel truly luxurious. I can see this piece in so many different settings."

—Bradley Bayou, Los Angeles

"Jet Set" by Bernhardt

"This updated bar cabinet boasts leather-paneled doors that give a chic and custom feel, while retaining the functional elements of adjustable glass shelves and ample storage. I love tucking a bar cabinet into a quiet corner and styling the top with a collection of found objects to make a personal statement when the piece is not in use."

—Bennett Leifer, New York