



WHAT'S INSTORE AT...

St Giles Furniture

Modern craftsmanship is a rare commodity these days, but thankfully, if you want quality with a long tradition behind it, St Giles Furniture, in Chalfont St Giles offers both.

The Smith family has been associated with the furniture business since the 1940's and Toby Smith, (pictured right with his wife and partner Donna), has simply continued the tradition but focused far more on bespoke furniture to fill a gap in the market for customers looking for something a little different or of a non-standard size.

Says Toby: "Since having our own manufacturing company in Lincolnshire, we decided to turn our main showroom into a purely 'bespoke' area – mostly kitchens, dining/living room and bedroom furniture made to any size in any wood."

However, the company still



needed to be able to offer their customers some standard home furnishing items, such as sofas, mirrors and lighting, so their newly converted showroom has enabled them to concentrate on more 'stocked' items so that customers can simply buy and take away.

While the company's team of 20 craftsmen is kept busy making bespoke kitchens, living room furniture and tables, they've recently taken on several orders for home

cinema and media units. Their most unusual commission, however, has to be a child's bunk bed which was attached to the wall but opened up to reveal a computer station and entertainment area. Says Toby: "It was painted in bright pink with big love hearts – it was every little girl's dream!"

St Giles Furniture: London Road, Chalfont St Giles, tel: 01494 873031, www.stgilesfurniture.com

ALL CHANGE:

- Crew Clothing Co, the official clothing supplier to the England Polo Team, has just opened a new shop in Henley. Owned by Hurley-based entrepreneur Alistair Parker-Swift, the leisurewear company has enjoyed phenomenal success since it was launched in 1992, with 40 stores in the UK, two in Dubai and plans for four more next year.
- In Marlow MKB Designs, in

Liston Court, has just undergone a £50,000 refurbishment. You can now see new, state of the art kitchen displays by Hacker, Sagne and the bespoke handmade English firm of Prentice, alongside six different types of worktops, including engineered stone and glass. Check out, too, their new working shower areas that include remote control Grohe and Aqualisa shower systems.

Visit www.mkbdesigns.co.uk

■ Do check out the gorgeous ranges of designer eveningwear that have just come into Fifi & Moose in Newbury. The super new boutique, in Weavers Walk, has just taken delivery of lines from Hoss, Sand and Spanish label Intropia. And remember, this Christmas blue is the new black!



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...this month's must have...

Hi-tech relaxation

This is just the thing for your media room, home cinema or even luxury yacht – a chaise longue from Hilene. It comes in various

colours and has to be a great way to write, surf the Internet, listen to good music (loudspeakers optional) or just lay back in complete relaxation.

It's available through its UK distributor StudioAV in Eton on tel: 01753 631000 or visit www.studioav.co.uk

