

Lifestyle choices

You'll love these clever designs featuring recycled and renewable materials.

Born again

Inspired by their love of recycling and the planet, the Sydney couple behind **Studio Skinky** design what they've always wanted, but could never find. Their **After the Drink**

Bower Pitcher + Glass set (\$55, below left) and other designs are lovingly hand-crafted from recycled glass bottles, using hot glass-blowing and cold grinding techniques. www.studioskinky.com

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Cool bytes

The **Sony VAIO W Series Mini PC** (\$849) is

mint-white and green and all shades of cool. The outer shell is 20 per cent recycled CDs and DVDs and it has an LED backlit widescreen, built-in webcam, plenty of hard drive space (250 GB) and seven hours' battery life from one charge. Weighing just 1.32 kg, it comes packaged in a recycled PET carry bag. Made in China. www.sony.com.au

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Worm wonder

Introduce your kids to the wonders of worm farming with the **Tumbleweed Can-O-Worms** (\$79.95). Made specifically with young viticulturalists in mind, this kit comes with legs and a tap to make collecting worm tea easier, as well as a book of simple instructions. Plus, it's made from 100 per cent recycled plastic here in Australia. www.tumbleweed.com.au
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Boards from the Bay

Byron Bay company

Eco Furniture produces a range of stylish and character-filled, hand-crafted **chopping boards** (from \$45). They make the most

of camphor laurel timber, an invasive hardwood species that needs to be removed to promote native revegetation. The handles are furnished from salvaged Australian gums. www.ecofurn.com.au

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Take a load off

Versatile **Stretch Stools** from **Schamburg + Alvisse** (from \$450 each) make great designer additions to the home. Made in Australia from FSC-certified timber, they carry the Good Environmental Choice Australia label and have a 100 per cent star rating from the Green Building Council of Australia. They're also glue-free, to reduce indoor air pollution through VOCs.

www.schamburgalvisse.com.au

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