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## Haute Wheels



French luxury company Hermès has placed its signature style on everything from Bugattis to helicopters, but this time around it has taken a greener approach with its new Toile H Smart fortwo Car, a collaboration in celebration of the 10th anniversary of Smart Car's Parisian distributor, the Como Group. Outfitted in Hermès saddle-stitched leather, the 38,000-euro limited-edition car is available only in Paris and comes in 10 colors—from the classic Hermès red to indigo, sky and lime. Boasting the lowest CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of any car (88 g/km), this tiny vehicle is easy on the eyes and on the earth. Smart indeed. —By Paige Redding

TRAVEL

## Living Threads

EDINBURGH MAY SEEM like an unlikely place to find a five-star hotel decked out in multicolor stripes and zigzags, but come May, Scotland's capital will be home to the first Hotel Missoni (a second branch opens in Kuwait in June). The family-owned company follows the well-heeled footsteps of Bulgari and Versace as the latest Italian fashion house to venture into the hospitality business. Rosita Missoni, co-founder along with her husband Tai of the Missoni brand and now head of Missoni home collections, partnered with the Brussels-based hotel group Rezidor to translate the company's signature colorful knits into a luxurious hotel environment. "I want the hotel to look and live like my home," says Missoni. The 136-room property, designed by Matteo Thun & Partners, the Italian firm responsible for Missoni's New York City flagship, will feature meeting spaces, a fitness suite, Cucina Missoni restaurant and a bar. —By Mengly Taing



TREND

Architecture provides the foundation for spring's most distinctive handbags. Elie Tahari