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... readers price may be no object, we objected to having only high-ticket items on the guide. Four gorgeous knobs for a bathroom cabinet would be heartfelt, personal and highly regarded by the recipient.

Still, we know there are those "big" presents that are for the entire family to enjoy. We were tipped off by a reader to Quench's breathtaking stainless bar, and saw the BeoLab 8000 speakers in just-out red -- hot for any home theater.

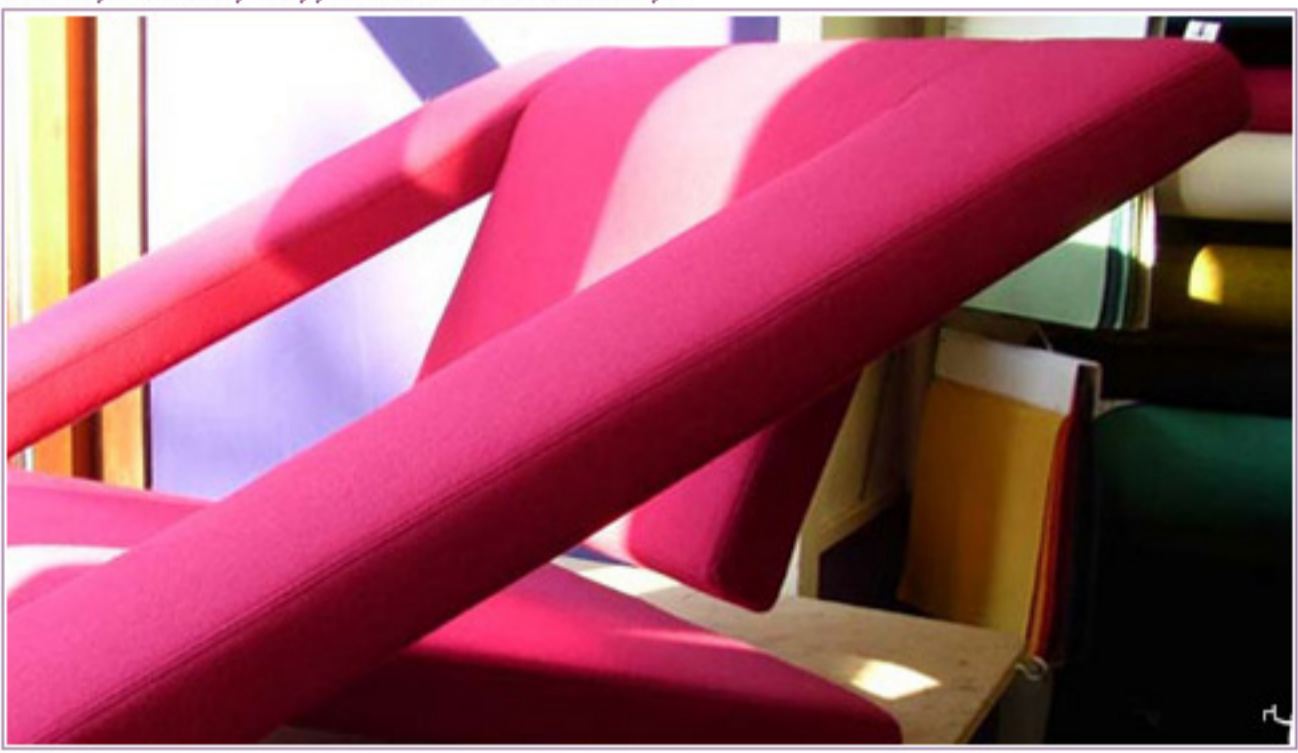
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Bert and Dennis Fold Chair



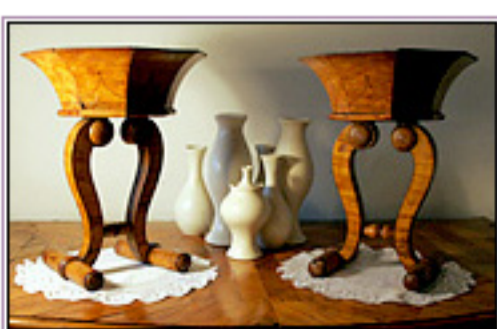
Bert and Dennis of the Netherlands created the Fold chair as a comfortable oragami-like side chair of steel and felt. But they're not done yet. The duo is working on changing the form of the chair to make the upholstery process easier, and they say, a couch is on the way.



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Happy Birthday Eva Zeisel



Modern ceramicist **Eva Zeisel** turned 99 this week, and she is still regaled by the simple, useful, playful designs that have been with her since she was a little girl.

Zeisel still owns and still loves the Biedermeier spittoons that were "always filled with flowers" in her childhood home in Budapest. She displays them on doilies among a collection of her own curvaceous, cream-colored designs.

Although they're wooden, the spittoons are a great example of Zeisel's own work. They're