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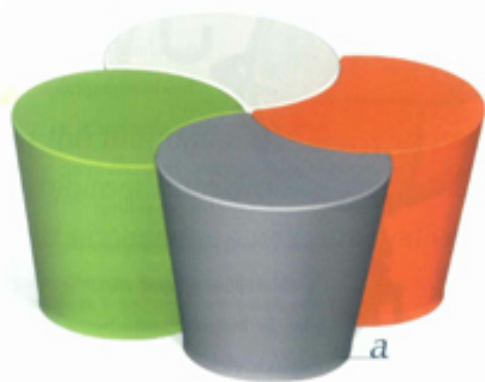
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# Viva Italia!

Italy is famous for more than just excellence in World Cup soccer. Sleek, modern design—another hallmark of the country—was in full force at the 45th annual Milan Furniture Fair (Salone Internazionale del Mobile). The event, held last April at the new Rho-Pero exhibition center, featured 2,578 international exhibitors of cutting-edge furniture and accessories made of materials from chrome to foam. Here are a few accents that caught our attention.

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