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People You Need to Know

Dodd Mitchell

WHY WE LOVE HIM: Walk into one of his restaurants or hotels and let the sensual mood of the interior seduce your minds, disentangle (or tangle) your bodies and calm your spirits. His restless nature and intrinsic taste for design has landed him at the top with quite an impressive resume. From the time he founded his own design firm, DMD Associates, Dodd Mitchell has conceived sleek, upscale venues — **Dolce, Sushi Roku, and Linq** to name a few — that have lured the interest of Hollywood's A-crowd and evoked jealousy in those that have yet to experience the finesse of Dodd.

SWING AWAY, SWING AWAY: “My mom said I was doing this before I could walk ...as soon as I could swing a hammer.” He got his start at Jet Sets, a set design company in Hollywood, as — believe it or not — a floor sweeper. Needless to say, he worked his way up the corporate ladder and within two weeks, he was assisting the set decorator. It was all uphill from there. — SE



Meet the Behind-The-Scene Movers and Shakers