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White hot action in Berlin, amber lights in Manhattan and blueprints in London



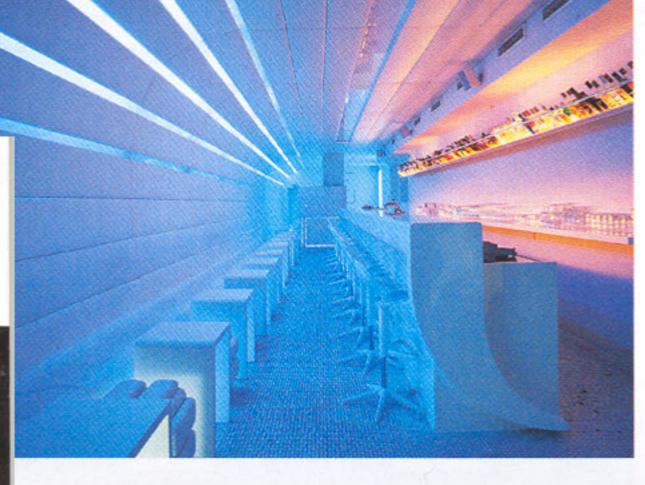
RIBA TICKLER

RIBA BAR, LONDON ¥

Azman Architects have graduated from fitting out flagship stores for Tag Heuer and Alexander McQueen to designing the bijou members' bar at the Boyal







HITE RIOT

UDIO, BERLIN 🕿

llowing his first interiors project, for Berlin sushi bar Forward, local designer Murat Top has opened his in bar, Studio. The interiors are totally white, from a leather banquette that stretches the length of the nnel to the walls and ceiling, but the ambience can changed at the flick of a switch with lighting that rns the space pink, blue, green, orange and all hues between. Initially the space was strictly a watering le, with up to 150 revellers downing vodka-based udio Line cocktails, but now that DJs have taken up sidence, it's becoming more of a dance space. JB suptstrasse 159, Berlin, tel: 49.163 60 61 666, vw.studio-berlin.net

CHOCOLATE BAR

DOUBLE SEVEN, NEW YORK ♠

From the moment you enter the James Bond-inspired tunnel-shaped doorway, you know this is not just any old watering hole. Designer Dodd Mitchell's inspiration was fashion, chocolate, sensuality and fire. Glassmaker Norman Mooney was brought in to create the handblown lighting fixture spanning an entire wall. Swarovski crystals illuminate the bathroom signs. Slip into a deep brown crocodile booth and indulge in chocolate from Debauve & Gallais - the only food on the menu. Why has no one thought of this before? **Carole Dixon** 418 West 14th Street, New York, tel: 1.212 981 9099

NIGHT OUT IN SAIGON

Kick off in demure style at Temple Club (29 Ton That Thiep, tel: 84.8 829 9244) before heading to Q Bar (7 Cong Truong Lam Son, tel: 84.8 823 3480) for a bucket-sized Martini. Join the beau monde for excellent Vietnamese seafood and grills at the Super Potato-designed Square One in the Park Hyatt (2 Lam Son Square, tel: 84.8 824 1234), then go dancing at posh new club Lush (2 Ly Tu Trong, tel: 84.8 824 2496). After-hours debauchery and drink can be found at Lost in Saigon (169 Pham Ngu Lao, tel: 84.8 837 5185). Robert McKeown For more departure info, visit www.wallpaper.com/travel