



MATHEWS AND GERBER

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When the Pretoria architectural firm Mathews & Gerber undertook to furnish a number of houses they had designed, they found there was no suitable outdoor furniture on the market. "You'd have this wonderful contemporary house and then go outside and there would be really ordinary garden furniture," says architect Pieter Mathews.

So Pieter sat down and designed a series of classic benches and an original chaise which breaks down into a chair and table – the perfect complement to modernistic architecture. The individual pieces have strong, contemporary shapes, and Pieter points out that, "the cut-outs make interesting shadow patterns."

The furniture is made in a choice of iroko and teak, by Wood 100 in Nelspruit and is available through Mathews and Gerber.

Source: Pieter Mathews, Mathews & Gerber (012) 46 1962

TOKO TRADING

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Toko Trading, importers of beautifully crafted Indonesian indoor and outdoor furniture and artifacts, recently moved into their new premises in Durban.

"We continually receive new consignments of stock so we always have something different, something unique," says the knowledgeable Lynn Bloch of Toko Trading. They stock an amazing variety of old teak, exotic carvings with intricate designs as well as pieces in coconut wood, bamboo, palm leaf and rattan.



When you are looking for that something different take a leaf out of Toko Trading's book and, 'let your imagination create your individual style, not dictated by trends'.

Toko Trading also have agencies in Cape Town and Johannesburg.



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