



## ARCHITECT FOR EARTH

Since setting up his architectural practice Eco Design Architects in 1998, Andy Horn (pictured left) has become one of South Africa's leading architects in the areas of sustainability and ecodesign. The private and commercial buildings he's been involved in include structures for Eskom, Mondi Timbers and the Greenhouse Project in Jo'burg's CBD. Andy also lectures at the University of Cape Town on environmental architecture. All his projects adhere to the six principles he set out in the Manifesto for Green Architecture (presented at SA's first conference on Sustainability in the Built Environment in 1998). His work is therefore always holistic, non-polluting and respectful of the land and its resources, while at the same time promoting social, economic and cultural upliftment. As part of the company's social ethos, he and his team have also developed a series of how-to documents, available for between R25 and R300 from the website, on cost-effective housing using sustainable architecture. Topics range from building with straw to installing a grey water system. Eco Design Architects, 021-462-1614, [www.ecodesignarchitects.co.za](http://www.ecodesignarchitects.co.za).

## eco watch

HL's pick of great ecofriendly endeavours

### CLEAN AND FRIENDLY

Cleaning agents containing harmful chemicals will hopefully soon be taking a backseat in homes thanks to a new generation of environment-friendly products. Probac is a range of pro-bacterial cleaners, which not only leave surfaces clean but actually biodegrade waste. The range of eight products includes drain, carpet and bathroom cleaners. For more info call 0860-776-222.



### LIGHTEN UP

Heath Nash's bottle base lamp with bucket shade (left) made from recycled household products is ecodesign at its most stylish. R2 400. 082-403-6958.



UNBLEACHED  
COTTON  
WOOL

### COTTON ON

Cape Town store Lim sells unbleached cotton wool (above) at R10 a packet. 021-423-1200.

### WORLD WISE WEB

Our best eco-info websites include:

- [www.harmoniousliving.co.za](http://www.harmoniousliving.co.za). This local website provides all sorts of ecofriendly information and articles on topics such as the sustainability of hemp and driving greener cars.

- [www.sustainablesettlement.co.za](http://www.sustainablesettlement.co.za).

An online resource for southern African organisations that support sustainable building. Information includes everything from recycling and sustainable energy to green building.

- [www.stylewillsaveus.com](http://www.stylewillsaveus.com). A space where the eco-savvy and stylish meet. This international site offers clever lifestyle, fashion, beauty and travel advice and ideas that are all kinder to our earth. ☺