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Style Section L.A.

Emili Vesilind, Erin Weinger and Andrew Harmon (two *Los Angeles Times* alums and a former *DNR* writer) know what makes the LA fashion scene tick. With their recently launched website, Style Section L.A., they've been able to tell stories through their content that many larger publications aren't telling. Aside from the fashion-forward and informative feature articles, the site also keeps readers in the know by listing events by the city's movers and shakers with tips on what to wear to them. The site has been rapidly growing in popularity among fashionistas and industry insiders alike as it gives real insight to the people, places and events that would make anyone with a passion for fashion want to turn their beloved breakfast nook into a second closet out of necessity.

High-profile retailers including Barneys New York and Kitson have already signed up for sponsored content to promote upcoming events and brands on the site.

For those who love to shop til they drop, Style Section L.A. has something for the inner stylist in us all.

by **THOM VEST**
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WHAT'S NEW

747 Wing House



Über-modern architect David Hertz is literally building the fly-est house in town. His Santa Monica-based firm, Studio of Environmental Architecture, is known for their multi-faceted designs and inventive style. So, when client Franci Rehwald described her dream home as something both sleek and feminine, a 5,000-square-foot home made using recycled airplane parts was Hertz's answer.

"In researching aircrafts we began to realize that there are hundreds of airplanes that have been retired to sit in the deserts of California and are sold at the price of their raw material, aluminum,"

says Hertz. "The idea of utilizing recycled components in creative new ways was certainly consistent with the existing context of the [Tony] Duquette structures," referring to the previous owner's unique sculptures from found objects destroyed in the 1995 Malibu fire.

Using the wings and body of an actual Boeing 747 aircraft, the Wing House is going to be Malibu's loftiest mansion yet. In true LA style, Rehwald and Hertz had the materials from the junk plane flown in by helicopter. With curved ceilings that allow for million-dollar views of the Pacific, the Wing House is a structural masterpiece that's been carefully perfected over the last five years. No doubt, it will soon stand as the forerunner on Southern California's long list of beautiful architectural anomalies.

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FUN FLY FACTS

1. The wing of a 747 spans more than 2,500 square feet.
2. A junk airplane can be had for less than \$50K.
3. Rehwald had to register her roof with the FAA so that real planes won't get confused.
4. Hertz used cockpit windows for skylights.