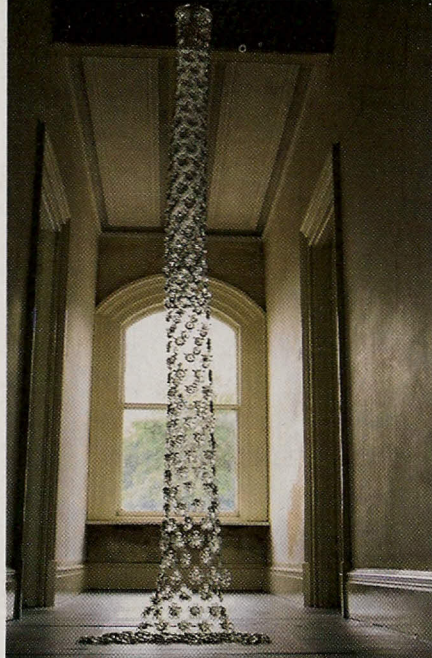


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“Cookprint”
The energy, materials and resources used to prepare a meal.



Best in Show(room)

■ [CASCADE] Designer Michelle Brand makes litter glitter. She painstakingly cuts and shapes delicate flowers by hand from discarded soda bottles and fashions them into crystalline curtains and chandeliers. Her 14-foot Cascade design (left) takes about 600 bottles to produce. Now that's pop art (to the trade; Lisa Fontanarosa.com). —Katherine E. Nelson



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■ hotel saint cecilia / austin

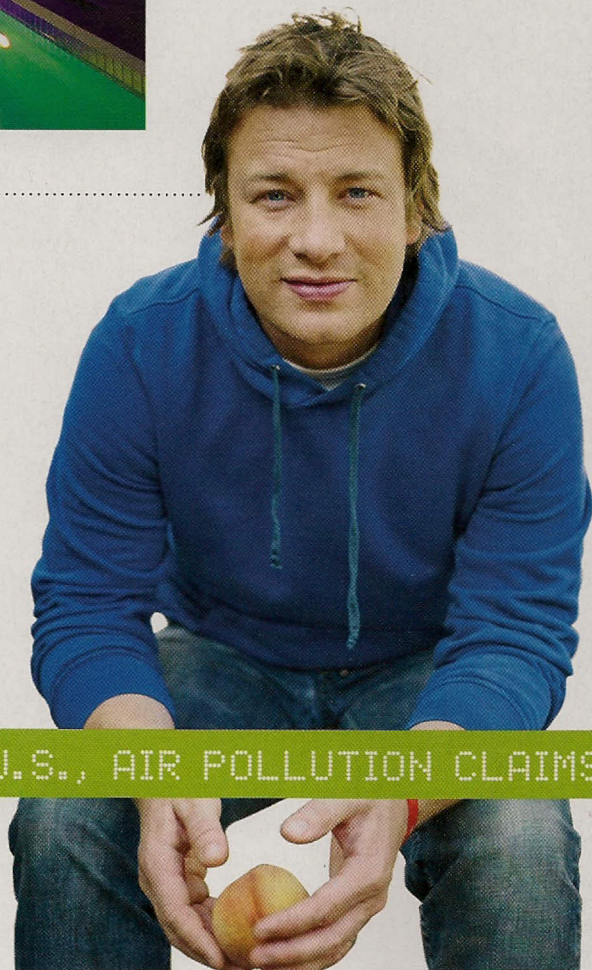
Hotelier Liz Lambert—who created Austin's iconic San Jose Hotel in a down-and-out motor court—has hit another high note with her latest property. Named after the patron saint of music, Hotel Saint Cecilia is a smartly renovated, wooded Victorian estate located just off the city's hip South Congress Avenue. Guests can explore nearby bars, shops and restaurants or stay in and relax. The compound features sprawling patios and a sleek pool, and each of the five suites, six bungalows and three studios comes equipped with Geneva sound systems and Hastens beds (112 Academy, 512/852-2400; HotelStCecilia.com). —Helen Thompson

Q&A

■ [JAMIE OLIVER]

Britain's Naked Chef is going back to his roots with a new book, *Jamie's Food Revolution* (Hyperion; October), which features 100-plus undressed recipes. Here, Oliver shares a few of his personal basics. —JM

- **Fridge Staple:** Stuffed chilies in olive oil
- **iPhone or BlackBerry:** BlackBerry
- **Car or Bike:** Car now, used to be a scooter
- **Guilty Pleasure:** Buying cars
- **Wine:** Sassicaia, a Super Tuscan
- **Sneakers:** Adidas Sambas
- **Comfort Food:** Bacon sarnie (Brit for "sandwich")
- **Hotel:** My honeymoon hotel: Il San Pietro, Positano
- **Travel essential:** Hair wax for my unruly bonnet



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