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for Spring



THRILL OF THE CHASE

New York-based designer Matthew Patrick Smyth keeps pieds-à-terre in France and Florida, where the inveterate shopper hunts out idiosyncratic finds for clients—and himself—with a discerning eye.



Paris

RESTAURANT The crowd at **Terroir Parisien** is mostly working people from the neighborhood, who dine on updated bistro fare with an emphasis on local ingredients. It's chic, simple, and completely unpretentious. 20 rue Saint-Victor, yannick-alleno.com.

SHOPS If I can make it to an opening at **Galerie Dutko**, it's the highlight of my trip. The interiors are striking, with exquisite furniture from the 1920s, '30s, and '40s, and work by artists like

Robert Courtright and Bruno Romeda. 11 rue Bonaparte, dutko.com.

- I never know what I'm going to find at **Chez Moi, Paris**. I'll go in for a client and come out with something for myself! The selection, from furniture to tabletop to objets d'art, has a strong, focused point of view and a sense of humor. 25 rue Hérold, chezmoiparis.com.

- The **Série Rare** showroom has the most beautiful hardware you've ever seen. It's close to my apartment, and I often stop by just to admire the stock—it's like jewelry for doors. 6 rue de l'Odéon, serierare.com.

- The elemental ceramics at **Emery et Cie** have a reassuring heft and weight. They're serious pieces you can use every day. 18 passage de la Main d'Or, emeryetcie.com.

- I always stroll **Le Bon Marché**, the department store. Everything there, from menswear to bedding to food, is perfectly curated. 24 rue de Sèvres, lebonmarche.com.



Galerie Dutko



Chez Moi, Paris



Terroir Parisien



Série Rare

Emery et Cie



Le Bon Marché



Palm Beach

RESTAURANT **Pistache** is a little dose of France in Florida, a traditional bistro with a casual atmosphere. I like to arrive on the late side for dinner. 101 N. Clematis St., West Palm Beach, pistachewpb.com.

SHOPS This branch of **Mecox** has captured the Palm Beach lifestyle: prints by Slim Aarons, vintage rattan, blue-and-white china. I often shop here for New York clients and have the items shipped north! 3900 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, mecox.com.

- The owner of **Barzina**, Gretchen Bentley, closes the store each year from May through October to go on a buying trip around the world. It's an eclectic shop, with Asian and European antiques, ceramics, and art you won't see anywhere else. 66 Via Mizner, barzina.com.

- **JF Gallery** carries work by a few artists I like, such as Cecil Touchon (right), whose paintings are graphic and bold, yet easy to live with. 3901 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, jfgallery.com.

- The garden furniture at **Authentic Provence** is elegant and so well made. It's a reliable standby for classics, indoors or out. 3735 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, authenticprovence.com.

- **Circa Who** has not-too-serious, vintage Palm Beachy pieces: lots of wicker, bamboo, and pastel finishes. 531 Northwood Rd., West Palm Beach, circawho.com.

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