

GREEN SCENE

We admit it. The word "eco-chic" sounds like an oxymoron. Who wants to slum it with cardboard-constructed chairs or design-deficient blocks of salvaged wood? Well, the newly opened Verde Home in the Westside puts the chic into environmentally conscious furnishings with pieces so darn handsome you'll forget they're green. We love the sinuous Angelina leather writing desk (\$1,895) and the decidedly modern Metro bench (\$1,530). Co-proprietor Laura Walker Baird perfected her designer instincts with several years abroad in London, Venice and Milan, and her eclectic shop of sustainable wood furnishings, Italian antiques, hand-crafted Tibetan carpets and Asian silks arranged in seamless vignettes reveal her flair for fusion. And don't miss her clever examples of "up-cycling." The twisted Indian butter churns mounted as makeshift sculptures are fab. 678.927.9413 or www.verdehomeinc.com.



Everything's eco friendly at the new Verde Home.