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Dispatches from the world of design

Besides the announcement that this outdoor and interior design spectacular is now an international endeavor, there were fantastic products and designs that allowed us to put a finger on the pulse of the world of design. These are the design trends we found.

Design Trend 1: Wood, Natural and Unfinished Wood

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It seemed like every we looked, stepped, or rested we were greeted by wood, and particularly natural and unfinished wood. We found this design trend in Nate Berkus's LG Studio Kitchen and along the exterior walls of the Make it Right and Airbnb homes. The unfinished wood fit in with a few other design trends, namely the eco-friendly movement, as companies such as Pioneer Millworks sell reclaimed, engineered, and sustainable wood that's made in the USA, FSC certified, Green America approved, and LEED point eligible. The wood trend also fits into an emphasis on materials. At Dwell on Design minimalism was out and the focus on design details as well as the materials used to make them was in.

This weekend, the InsideSeen Design Team scoped the latest design trends and innovations at Dwell on Design, America's largest design event. In case you missed it, our video spotlights some of the new and exciting things we found:

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Design Trend 2: Tribal Influences

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Tribal is a design trend that never seems to disappear, and we're happy about that. From ethnic and tribal textiles to Molly M Designs's tribal-inspired graphic prints, tribal details penetrated Dwell on Design. The Make it Right Foundation's latest project (stay tuned for the full interview) is the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, so beyond being designed for a Native American community, there was an emphasis on tribal details such as prints and blankets. And then there were the 2 Feathers Tipis (teepees) in David Broomstad's outdoor studio. These roomy enclosures brought out the child in all of us in the children's section and showed that the great outdoors can get even better with a stylish outdoor living room. Broomstad's design leads us to design trend three.

Design Trend 3: Outdoor Spaces

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Dwell on Design's outdoor pavilion is a stunning sight. We loved the use of synthetic grass to give the entire showroom floor a sustainable feel. And though plant walls are still fighting with wood panels for space, they are focusing on succulents and air plants, ensuring less water is needed for these vertical delights. We also saw a unique incorporation of outdoor spaces in the home tours.

Stay tuned to the InsideSeen Design Blog for more design trends, videos, interviews, and photos from Dwell on Design.

