



SMOOTH MOVES
From top: The clean-lined Arc four-post bed, now available at Taylor & Taylor, keeps things simple; the marble-top dining credenza in polished walnut is sleek and sophisticated.

HOUSTON

Calm and Collected

Our collective checkbooks were ready to roll once we learned the latest **Calvin Klein Curator Collection** had arrived in Houston. Since becoming the state's exclusive purchase point for the line in May, Taylor & Taylor has attracted countless fans of the designer furnishings and accessories made from luxe materials like bronze, leather and stained oak. Priced from \$1,200 to \$19,695, the statement-makers are certain to steal the spotlight despite (or perhaps because of) their clean and simple lines. The collection's restrained details and refined finishes shine in fresh arrivals like the Arc four-post bed and Waterfall cocktail table, which proprietress Gail Taylor displays among 1,300 square feet of custom vignettes. "Furnishings are definitely trending more minimalist and sophisticated," says the designer and home stager. It's a shift we can't wait to see in action. 1426 Antoine Drive, Houston, 713.977.2715, taylortaylordesigns.com —Kate Abney



DALLAS AND HOUSTON

Flying High

Imagine you've just settled into a cozy private suite. Atop a 79-inch Muirhead leather chair, you stretch out your legs and study the contents of a well-stocked minibar. Suddenly you realize you're hungry. You summon room service, and it comes quickly, prepared by a five-star chef. Royal Doulton fine china and Robert Welch cutlery showcase your meal. Later, before sleeping on your ample bed, you watch a film, then take a shower in a commodious, marble-sheathed bathroom. Though it sounds more like a swanky hotel, you're actually in first class on **Emirates' double-decker 380 aircraft**. It's the largest passenger plane that flies between Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport and Dubai, and it's new to this route. With interiors by world-renowned designer Jacques Pierrejean, the plane boasts a state-of-the-art lounge, where both business and first-class passengers meet for a chance to socialize, and all seats—in business, first and economy—vaunt the world's finest entertainment systems. From Houston and Dallas, Emirates' 380 aircraft delivers a ride so enjoyable, you'll barely notice the 16-hour nonstop ride to Dubai International Airport. *Business class from \$10,000 round-trip, first class from \$18,000 round-trip, emirates.com*
—Becca Hensley



THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

In addition to unparalleled in-flight amenities, business and first-class passengers on Emirates' 380 aircraft have access to a complimentary chauffeur upon arrival.