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Play Ball Indoors

Take me out to the ballgame ...
Or take the ballgame back to
your home base.

When decorating with
America's pastime in mind,
score runs with subtlety
instead of grandstanding
with obvious peanuts-and-
Cracker Jack accessories.
Think pentagon and diamond
patterns, red stitching and
retro-inspired baseball
paraphernalia.

— Lisa Intrabartola



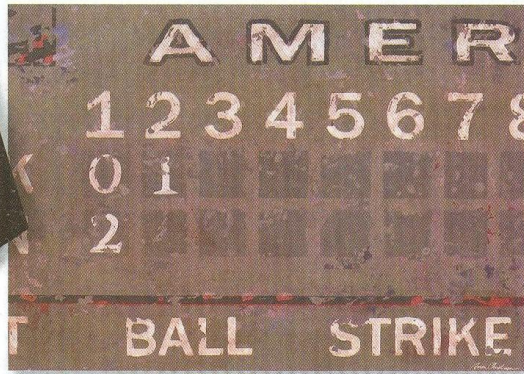
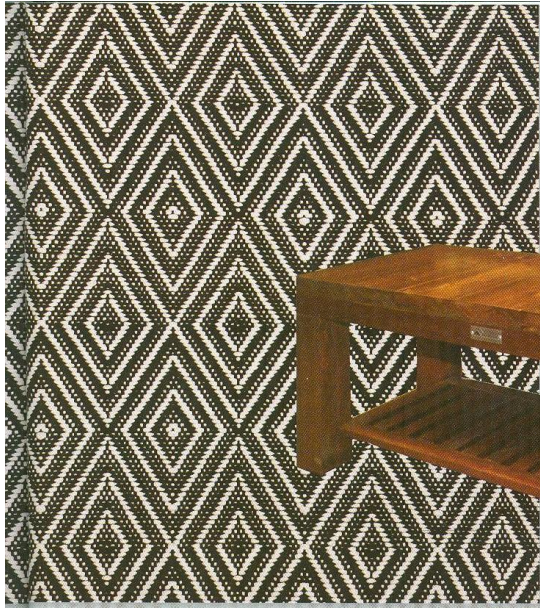
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1 | The red wire cage of this Barn Light Warehouse Pendant reminds us of a catcher's mask. Meanwhile, its galvanized steel and retro design bring us back to the stadiums and clubhouses of yesteryear. Barn Light Electric, barnlightelectric.com, \$99.

2 | Batter up! The BamVino wine holder is always in perfect form at the (dinner) plate. With this bronze bust on your deck, you're sure to be a hit with both aficionados of wine and America's pastime. At Everything Baseball Catalog, everythingbaseballcatalog.com, \$49.95.

3 | It looks like a mitt and fits like a glove. A combination of papasan and hammock, the Smock chair from Italian design firm Moroso is more cushy and chic than any luxury box seat. Visit moroso.it or call the Manhattan showroom, (212) 334-7222, for details, \$3,811 for fabric upholstery, \$4,096 for leather.

4 | Time to step up to the plate — and wipe those mud-caked cleats clean before hitting your home turf. Just like the base it's inspired by, this weather-resistant, tufted coconut fiber doormat dusts off with a few brush strokes. Uncommon Goods, uncommongoods.com, \$22.

5 | And Mom swore those boxes of baseball cards were a waste of space. Prove her wrong with this conversation piece made-to-order by baseball enthusiast Tom Feigenbaum. Each one-of-a-kind coffee table is topped with reproductions of vintage baseball cards and set with an epoxy resin. Visit shoponash.com, \$195.

6 | Unlike baseball and ivory, the diamonds on this black and ivory indoor-outdoor rug from Dash & Albert are game all four seasons, in weather foul or fair. And it's a classier option than artificial turf. Dash & Albert (with several partner stores in New Jersey), dashandalbert.com, \$38 to \$514.

7 | The You Can Put It On The Board! Yes! print from the Land of Nod should score big with baseball fans young and old. Though this vintage-style scoreboard art is billed as a kid's accessory, it would also be at home in the man cave, office or den. Visit landofnod.com, \$129.

8 | Much like the Hall of Famer it's cheekily named after, this versatile all-purpose piece from Pocono Modern will likely become an all-star in your furniture lineup. Whether used as entry way seating or a coffee table, Johnny Bench's bottom shelf provides the perfect catch-all storage space for just about anything you can throw at it. Available in two sizes, in walnut or dark walnut finish, poconomodern.com, \$575 or \$775.