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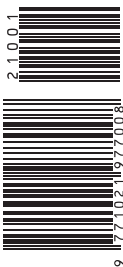
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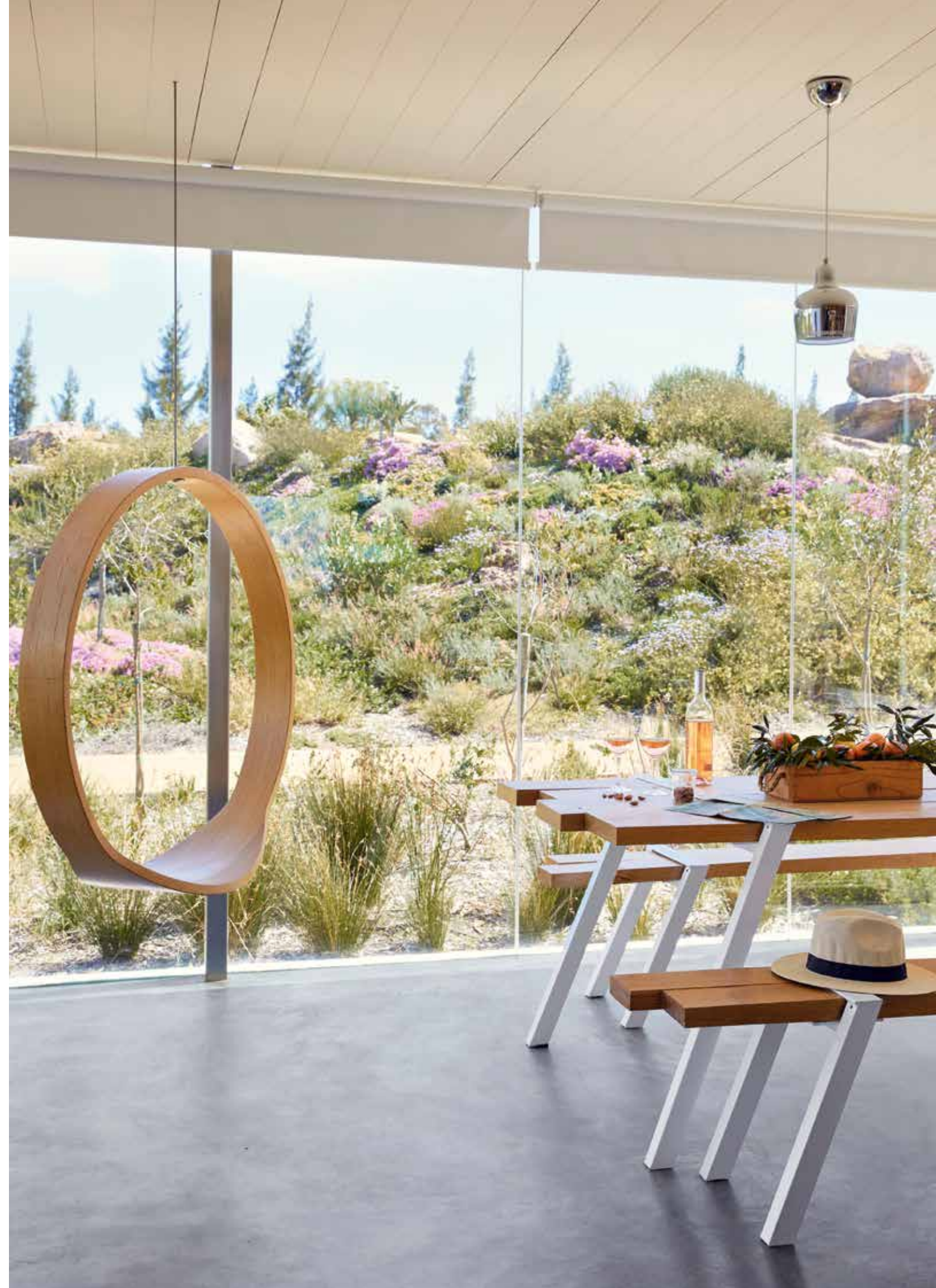


6 / The Nest, Sossusvlei, Namibia (above left) Just a few years ago, conservationist Swen Bachran and artist Porky Hefer collaborated to weave together a spot that will delight both design fundis and nature enthusiasts. The sociable chambers of this idiosyncratic guest lodge are peppered with portholes that frame different captivating views of the Namibian landscape. The trimmed hatch offers a cool shelter from the harsh conditions, while the eclectic interiors delight with a collection of iconic pieces by celebrated South African designers. @perfecthideaways



7 / Bliss and Stars, Cedarberg (top right) Designed to nourish the mind and soothe the soul, visitors to the still slopes of this restorative retreat are encouraged to unplug (like, really unplug – you have to hike over a ridge to find a signal) and reconnect with self. Though located in close proximity to a mountain stream and a cluster of rock pools, the individual cabins are set far apart from each other to echo the wide open spaces that define this part of the Cederberg. Courses on sleep meditation and mindfulness are run on a regular basis as well as yoga retreats. @blissandstars

8 / Fynbos Cottages, Babylonstoren Farm, Paarl (opposite) A visit to these cottages on the lauded farm is a fully immersive experience in appreciation of local fynbos and the varied vegetation of the Western Cape. Built in the Cape Dutch vernacular, each structure has been given a cool contemporary twist, including floor to ceiling glass that provide a perfect window from which to gaze out from the languid swing of a hanging chair. If you're thinking of travelling in a bubble of besties, the latest addition to the estate, Fynbos Villa, can be hired out for exclusive use. babylonstoren.com



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