

**Giddy-up** Just when it feels as if everything that can possibly be done to bathrooms has been done, along comes Italy's Nespola e Novara and its whimsical wooden washstand built like a horse. Sold in North America through Graff Faucets, Milwaukee, the Dressage stand consists of a freestanding wooden beam with twin crossed legs at either end made in solid tulip poplar or walnut. Available in either 40-inch and 62-inch lengths, this low-profile unit can be customized with one's choice of sinks, trays, swivel mirrors and storage cabinets – all carried on its back like riders and their equipage. A charming blend of style, function, and just plain fun.



**Booming Sales**

A shout-out to IDS for its recent addition of Designboom Mart, a sales showcase for young Canadian designers who, like all artists, deserve better recognition and remuneration for their efforts. We'd like to single out Carineh Babayan, of Toronto's CB1969, for her take on diffused-light lampshades. Looking like objects crafted by an extremely clever summer camper, each shade is cut from stiff paper or thin walnut veneer. Their whip-stitched tops and slashed, pop-out sides that allow for patterned diffusion push these



**Square Tomato**

Oliver Drake, principal of Drake Wood Design, out of Wakefield, Que., painted his Crab-legged Console in a high-gloss hue he terms "embarrassed tomato," but it also shows hand-hewn walnut legs and cheeky off-centre handles.