

Greetings all,

This is one of our first Joint newsletters from [Exclusive Tents](#) and [Barefoot Interiors](#) which we hope you will enjoy reading and pass it on.

Just a little background; we started Barefoot Interiors in an effort to design a unique classic range of furniture that would not only be attractive in any home but also to fit in with our rather unusual line of luxury tents put out by our sister company Exclusive Tents.

We set out to find a company who not only made fine furniture, we were looking for a group who were eco-conscious and who only used plantation timber. We were privileged to find such a character, in an Australian and his entire Indonesian family, hand making furniture on the island of Java.

Using mahogany, teak, leather with occasional brass trims turned our line of furniture into what we term "simple elegance". We minimized the footprint of each piece as much as we could without compromising on style and design.

Without knowing it Barefoot Interiors made the political history books when we discovered that our Pasadena Chair was used just recently by US President Obama, when he signed the recent Stimulus Bill.



Pasadena Chair

Together with Exclusive Tents, we will be exhibiting a fully furnished Shawu Tent at the Dwell on Design Expo from June 26 – 28 2009 at the Los Angeles Convention Center - If you are in the vicinity at the time, please stop by and visit with us.

Our newly updated Barefoot Website will be coming online soon and will feature some of our new items which will also include the few items seen below:



Dakar Sideboard



Masaka Chair

Gabo Chair

From Exclusive Tents we are very grateful that we are still busy with this global recession going on.

On April 4th we will be visiting a fascinating location; The Bench of Arguin in Mauritania (the largest coastal park in Africa) and also classified world inheritance of humanity site by UNESCO where one of our clients plans a tented eco-village resort. For more fascinating information on this amazing environmental site see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Banc_d%27Arguin
At the time please check in at our blog <http://exclusivetents.blogspot.com> where we will post pictures and stories of our experiences.

We have designed a new “Specials Program” for 2009 which will include discounts, free tents, free furniture, free shipping or a selected combination of the above.

The criteria will be based on the tent design/s selected and quantities ordered.

This Specials Program will not run through to the end of the year so please be sure to make contact with us with your requirements and let us get back to you with what special offer we can put together for you.

We also have a Barefoot Interiors Special of 50% off on all stock items – contact angelika@barefootinteriors.com for more info on what is available.

We thought you might enjoy us sharing with you two recent interior pictures of a clients Shawu Tent which we will also be using at the Dwell on Design Expo in Los Angeles which we will fully furnish with Barefoot Interiors items



Note the rolled up canvas door which is on the inside of the tent, the screened openings in the front covered verandah (in the foreground of the picture) can also roll down and close up. The bathroom is located behind the bed in the rear of the tent.



Spacious bathroom with the elegant ceiling liner creates a luxurious ambiance. The large bed headboard creates the room divider and provision for the mirrors and vanity.

Finally, getting back to our last newsletter where we discussed in detail, platforms (decks) and platform layouts and there remains one last discussion point, split level platforms.

As mentioned, the position of the platform in the environment is very important in most instances as is the actual layout and design of the platform itself. Be it for a single tent or multiple tents on a single platform, a split level platform layout can be very attractive and allows for a lot of creativity, versatility and different perspectives on traditional layouts.

In the picture below one will clearly see how the natural features of the land (trees etc) have been beautifully integrated into the platform together with the 3-way split level platform, the tent, the curved walkway and the rich color of the polished wood.

Depending on the size of the platform one can easily include into the design, an outside shower, bar counter, outside kitchen, splash pool or Jacuzzi.

The outside living space is just as important as the interior living space of the tent so it is important to give a lot of thought into how you plan to design the size, shape and layout of the deck and what elements one wishes to integrate into the design.



Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and we hope that you enjoyed and gained some insight as to what one can do creatively with our tents and furniture.

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