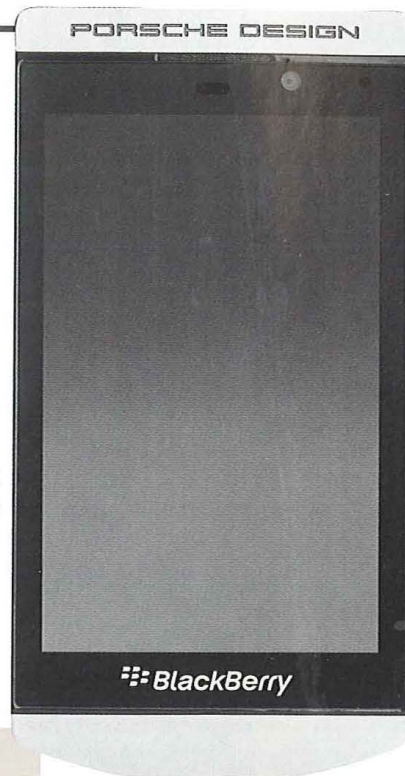


NEWS

## THE SMARTER SMARTPHONE

Two brands known for merging beauty with technology have done it again with the Porsche Design P'9982 smartphone from BlackBerry. The collaboration began in 2011, and it proved a business tool could be as good-looking as it was practical. The P'9982 features a full touchscreen and BlackBerry's 10.2 operating system. The system powers features like Priority Hub, which finds out what messages are important to you and puts them at the top of the list; the camera has also been upgraded, and the Story Maker app weaves together photos and filmed clips to make movies. **P'9982, £1,400. Crocodile-leather P'9982, £2,300; exclusive to Harrods. Available from Harrods Technology, Third Floor**



## An interview with KELLY HOPPEN for SAMSUNG

by Amy Broomfield



*"The kitchen is evolving," says interior designer Kelly Hoppen. Having worked for the Beckhams and earned herself an MBE, she should know. "Although it has always been the heart of the home, in recent years the kitchen has become more of a social space." Indeed, as we spend more time in the kitchen, brands like Samsung are changing their attitude toward appliances, making them not just more technically advanced but better looking. The brand also asked Hoppen to design its in-store Home Innovation Space.*

**You're known for using calming, neutral colours. Would you say your aesthetic applies to this range for Samsung?**

Yes. The colours fit well with a neutral colour scheme in the kitchen. I chose a minimalist look for this space, and the appliances fit perfectly with that.

**How are Samsung's appliances different from traditional ones?**

They're sleek. Usually people try to hide big appliances such as washing machines and dishwashers. With the Samsung appliances, you feel the need to put them on display.

**Do you have a favourite in the range?**

The T9000 is a great fridge. It lets you convert the interior space from fridge to freezer at the touch of a button. And it's beautiful, too. It has a fluid design, and every detail is carefully considered.

**What's your kitchen like?**

It's a welcoming, social space. My dining room and kitchen are connected; it's fairly large, and I have a big island that people can sit around. The area is well lit – especially the food-prep area. The colour scheme is, of course, neutral and black. I love my kitchen; it's one of my favourite rooms in my home.

**Where do you get your inspiration from?**

Every aspect of life. I could be walking down the high street, reading, travelling, or even sitting on a plane. I find inspiration everywhere; it's one of the bonuses of having a creative mind.

**Available from Kitchen Appliances, Second Floor**

## After-work DRINKS

If ever there were an office accessory perfectly suited to Don Draper, the Waterford Desktop Bar is it. The cristallerie has again teamed up with interior designer Jo Sampson to create four styles of the mini drinks cabinet, each with a tray on the top and faceted crystal side panels that resemble Sampson's furniture collections. Belgravia, Mayfair, Bloomsbury and Knightsbridge come in a choice of finishes including marble or wood doors with bronze or gold finishes. Each cabinet houses two decanters with matching tumblers and highball glasses. **£38,000. Available from Luxury Home, Second Floor**



## POP GOES THE DIAMOND

When childhood friends Gaultier Mallard and Victor van de Rosiere founded Popup Paris, their aim was to create something chic with, as they put it, "the thrill of the lottery". Launched this year, the home fragrance company's first range, Into the Wild, includes five candles designed to subtly manipulate the senses. Woodzip brings to mind a roaring fire, with aromas of whisky, wood, vanilla and leather. Meanwhile, Figshebam conjures up summer holidays, with scents of fruits and freshly cut grass. And the lottery-like twist? One out of every 50 has a diamond embedded in the wax. **£62.95. Available from Bathshop, Second Floor**

