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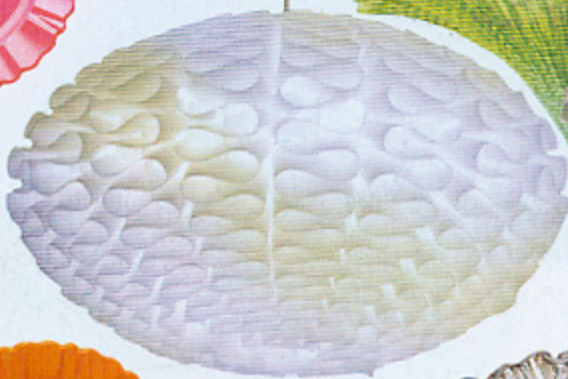
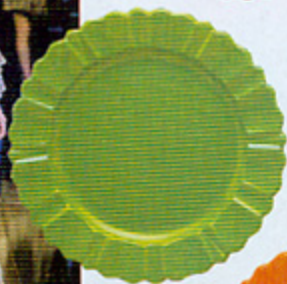
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Dress, Dolce & Gabbana.



Two's Company charger plates, Scantrade.



Cerebro pendant light, Nuevo.



Aqua Creations scone, Industrial Storm.

Flamenco pillow, Pine Cone Hill.



Poduck Studio Flirt cakeplates, Homefront.



Carved ruffle ring, Amie Plante.

Venini vase, Amarynth.

Hedgerow shower curtain, Anthropologie.

Vanilla cupcake, Whole Foods.

De Vecchi sterling silver candlestick, Amarynth.

Satin ribbons, Mokuba.

Fuchsia pin, Kumari's.



Laundry bag, Stella Bleu Home.

Pink Stripe with Ruffle sheet set, Au Lit Fine Linens.



Ruffles

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Carnations and parrot tulips in julep cup, Teatro Verde.

Frippery

is not a word that comes to mind too often these days, what with stock market rollercoasters and the like keeping us up at night, but it's the frippery of ruffles and frills that has the design world abuzz this spring. Think of it as a dose of modern romance, stunning yet soft — a definite antidote to black, black and more black. Donatella hit the nail on the head with Atelier Versace couture when she delivered glam frocks that had more (and larger) ruffles than you could shake a stick at. Not to be outdone, John Galliano showed frothy confections that looked equal parts flamenco garb and lingerie in inspiration. This is all well and good for couture devotees, but as any fashion savant will tell you, for the hoi polloi, it's best to take just a touch of the

trend to heart and adopt it as carefully administered detailing either at the neck or hem of an outfit, or in accessories like silver jewelry or petal-like brooches.

The same holds true in the modern interior, where a dash or two is all that's needed — too much could bring on the design equivalent of a sugar rush. Delicately frosted cupcakes aside, we've seen pretty ruffled details appear on everything from sterling silver candlesticks to darling pink bed linens to crisp, modern glass chandeliers. Of course, fresh blooms, like carnations and parrot tulips, get in on the act, flirtily nestled in a julep cup, though the piece that really takes the cake is perhaps the most glamorous laundry bag ever made. Romance is definitely not dead — even in the laundry room.