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Clubbing in Macau

Everyone is talking about China Rouge, the kickass new club in the Galaxy. One thing's for sure, it probably smells better than the LKF/Wyndham/Lyndhurst triangle.

Big Noise Restaurants

The city's foodies are chomping at the bit to sink their teeth into Mario Batali's Lupa, Harlan's Strip House and three-Michelin-starred Ryugin. Brace yourself for Facebook camera phone bragging.

Grave Sweepers for Rent

Can't be bothered to sweep your ancestor's grave? Just outsource it from taobao.com. Crying costs extra though.

Seeing Across the Harbor

What is up with the visibility these past few weeks? Gross!

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The SOCIAL Calendar

Thursday, 4/19: FiFi launch party and S/S 2012 collection preview. 6-10pm, Fringe Club, 2 Lower Albert Rd., Central, www.fifi.com.hk. Invite only.

Friday, 4/20: "Culture and the City", talk by architect Toyo Ito. 3-5:30pm, Agnes B. Cinema, Hong Kong Arts Centre, 2522-8688, www.hkdesignyear.hk. Limited seating. \$150. Download registration form online.

Saturday, 4/21: "Journey to the Plastic Ocean" fundraiser. Open bar, snacks, live music, and raffle. Proceeds will go to DB Green's beach cleanup. 7pm, Hemingway's, By the Bay, G09 Discovery Bay Plaza, Discovery Bay. \$350. Tickets available from Hemingway's, Dymocks DB and Uncle Russ Coffee.

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Nookha

The buzz: An eco-friendly furniture store, all of Nookha's pieces are made completely out of bamboo. Besides being an incredibly strong and versatile material, bamboo is one of the fastest growing plants on earth, making it extremely sustainable and eco-friendly. Owner Christine Richard aims for a balance between traditional craftsmanship and cutting-edge design.

The goods: All of Nookha's products are hand-made by craftsmen in a small village around 20 kilometers away from Yogyakarta, Indonesia—which is why many of its collections are limited edition only. Their small yet eclectic collection includes stools, chairs and tables, many made from laminated layers of bamboo strips. Richard

works with creative designers like Italian-born, Bali-based designer and architect Giuseppe Verdacchi, and hopes to bring in more designers from other countries such as France and Taiwan.

The décor: Nookha's showroom is spacious and simple, with white walls and a grey floor. Its pieces are displayed around the space, some with dishes, plants, and other regular household items placed on or around them so viewers can picture the furniture in context. **Leanne Mirandilla**

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