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Maniscalco Architecture



1. Pinup

Vin de Garde can supply an oenophile's every need, from cooling systems to complete custom cellars. Maniscalco gives top marks to the Nek-Rite storage system, which supports bottles on stainless steel pins that project from a fixed wall panel available in wood and powdercoat finishes. "It allows the bottles to be displayed almost as art," he says. Vin de Garde, vindegarde.ca

2. Global Perspective

We've sensed a natural affinity between Maniscalco's work and the Bocci 14 pendant light, and the San Francisco-based architect agrees. "The individual globes have a handcrafted quality," he says. "It works from close up and far away, and it's got a really nice, organic feel that reinforces the clean lines of my architecture." Bocci, bocci.ca

3. Framed Art

Based near Seattle, Quantum builds custom, all-wood and clad windows and doors—including the Slide & Fold door system, which permits openings up to 42 feet wide. Maniscalco made an assembly of the company's sliding doors and windows the centerpiece of the Cube House in San Francisco, shown. "They've got extremely clean profiles and a rich palette of materials," he says. Quantum Windows & Doors, quantumwindows.com



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Fine Line

In dubbing its glazing system the Invisible Wall, Vitrocsa may be stretching the truth, but not by much. The aluminum alloy frames around its sliding, pivoting, and guillotine units are only $\frac{3}{4}$ inch wide. Panel sizes up to 200 square feet are available, and the company has supplied sliding units up to 15 feet tall. "That's my dream product," Maniscalco says. "Absolutely zero sight lines anywhere. It's spectacularly minimal." Vitrocsa USA, vitrocsa.com

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