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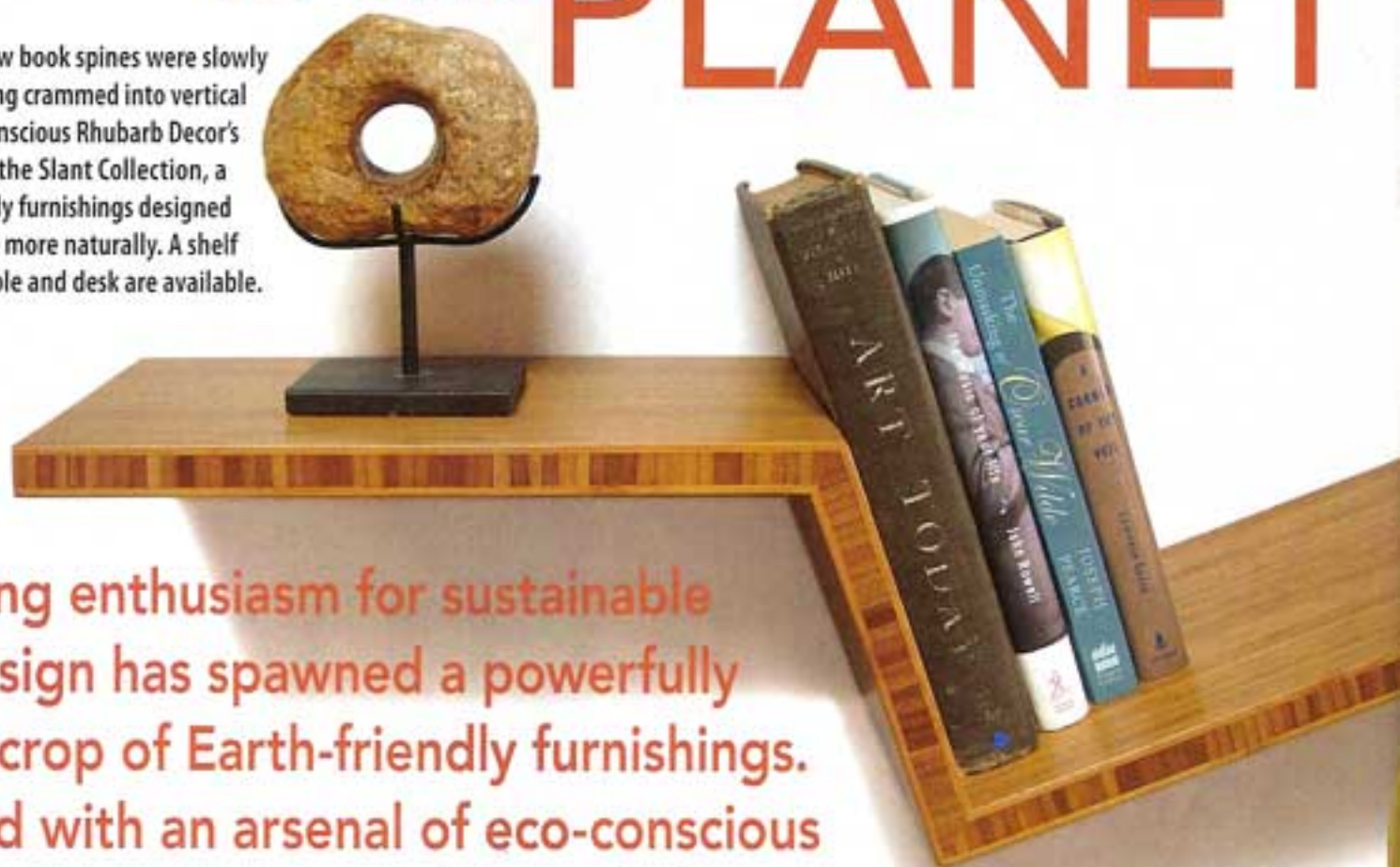
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After observing how book spines were slowly damaged from being crammed into vertical shelves, the eco-conscious Rhubarb Decor's Todd Laby created the Slant Collection, a series of bamboo ply furnishings designed to let books recline more naturally. A shelf (shown), coffee table and desk are available. CIRCLE 641



Growing enthusiasm for sustainable design has spawned a powerfully stylish crop of Earth-friendly furnishings.

Armed with an arsenal of eco-conscious manufacturing processes that minimize waste and environmental impact, a heroic group of discerning designers has discovered increasingly affordable and effective ways to protect and defend our world.

Feline friends find cozy quarters at KittyPod, a manufacturer of cat-friendly furniture made from biodegradable, recycled industrial-strength cardboard. The durable, breathable line's latest addition is Couchette. CIRCLE 642



Intent on combining eco-conscious materials, contemporary styling and heirloom quality, Anthony Brozna of Brozna Woodworking devised the new Ecoline Collection. The modern line complements renewable bamboo and sorghum with storm-salvaged hardwoods, green-friendly fabrics and nontoxic finishes. CIRCLE 639

