

# ELLE DECORATION

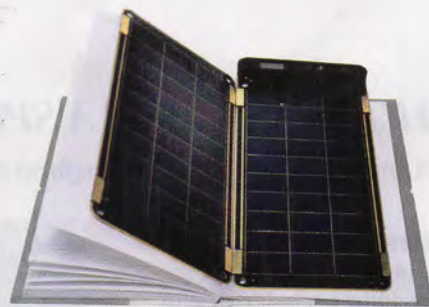
# COSY

THE NEW

COMFORTING WARM  
WONDERFUL  
EVERYTHING YOU WANT  
YOUR HOME TO BE

## COLD REMEDY

Designer Yves Béhar has worked with everyone from Herman Miller to Prada. But his latest client – British Gas – sees him return to his core principles of sustainability and accessibility. The Behar-designed 'Hive Active Heating 2' thermostat allows homeowners to control their hot water and heating from a smartphone or tablet. Of course, other connected thermostats perform similar miracles, but Behar believes they're too geeky and that his alternative is so simple that 'even your grandma could use it'. It features a money-saving 'holiday mode', a 'boost' button to combat brutally crisp mornings and a pre-heat setting. £249 (hivehome.com).



## SUN WORSHIPPER

Two eco entrepreneurs in South Korea, Sen Chang and Lim Sam, have invented the thinnest, fastest solar charger in the world. The 'Yolk Solar Paper' can be slipped into a notebook or paperback like a high-tech bookmark and will harvest enough daylight to nourish an iPhone 6 from near-death to full health in just 2.5 hours. £100 (yolkstation.com).



## CALLING ALL MINIMALISTS

Punkt makes 'bare essentials' electronics that contain all you need – and nothing else. Thus, the 'MP01' has no camera and no apps. Its designer, Jasper Morrison, wants you to be in the moment, not on your phone. £189 (punkt.ch).

## STAR BAKER, GUARANTEED

The 'Drop Kitchen Connected Scale' promises zero-effort baking. There's no need to measure out ingredients – instead the electronic scales link wirelessly to recipes on the *DropKitchen* app to tell you when to stop as you pour the essentials into the bowl. What's more, tell the app how much, say, sugar you have in your cupboard and it will adjust the recipes on its database to suit. Scales and a cookery coach, all in one. £80 (getdrop.com).



## DIAL M FOR MUSIC

Not only is the 'Beep' a beautiful music-streaming gadget with its copper skin and retro rotary dial, but it's as easy to use as flicking on a light switch. Plug it into any speakers, old or new, and it will sync them to your iTunes or Spotify account. Tap the dial once to play the last song you listened to on your phone – check first to avoid embarrassment. £97 (thisisbeep.com).