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BAKER® INTRODUCES NEW DESIGNS TO THE MILLING ROAD COLLECTION
Relaxed, Provincial Forms Incorporate Rich Mix of Materials

CHICAGO (April 17, 2010) – Baker, a premier furnishings manufacturer and designer, introduced new forms to its longstanding Milling Road Collection at the Spring 2010 International Home Furnishings Market in High Point, N.C. Included in the 16 new designs are an office series, dining room and bedroom pieces, a media cabinet and unique occasional tables.

Inspired by 18th century European design, Baker selected mahogany solids and quarter sawn or flat cut veneers for the forms. Complementing the deep beauty and figured nature of the wood is an organic mix of materials befitting the casual nature of Milling Road, including wrought iron, brass and aluminum, leather, stone, and woven cane.

A new glossy white paint finish and two existing Milling Road shades were featured this Market: the rich golden brown tones of Tannen, and the warm, deeper Aged European Umber. Some of the designs feature paneled backs finished in the round for versatile placement. Drawer interiors lined in French book paper and solid brass hardware designed exclusively for the collection also return as signature, decorative touches.

The dining room centerpiece is a Dining Table crafted completely from mahogany, the table top laid up in a random pattern of mahogany veneers in true provincial fashion. Breadboards nestle under each side of the table top and when extended provide a surface of 120 inches in width. Also building upon this category are a breakfront server with turned legs, shelf stretcher and hand cast brass hardware and two styles of arm and side dining chairs – the first with a caned back and seat with tie-down seat cushion, and the second featuring a simple Welch ladder back and padded leather seat.

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An office ensemble was also featured this Market, which included a Desk, Credenza and Bookcase. Symbiotic hardware and design elements link the forms, but are not meant to match giving the pieces the stand-alone quality synonymous with Milling Road designs.

A Bed of solid wrought iron inspired by 18th century European metal works has a simple, straightforward design that marries well with traditional or contemporary settings. A mahogany and iron Nightstand with two base options can easily pair with the bed, in existing surroundings, or be used as an impromptu occasional piece for the living room.

Rounding out the selections is a host of occasional pieces. The interesting mix includes a tight upholstered leather and button tufted Cocktail Ottoman, unique Twist Table with a clever mechanism similar to a piano stool allowing the table top to be raised and lowered as needed, and a set of Nesting Tables offered in a choice of stone or mahogany tops juxtaposed by intricately twisted aluminum legs in startling contrast.

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