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Alfresco Tech

Innovative technology isn't the first thing to come to mind when we talk about outdoor lifestyles, yet manufacturers and designers are turning to sophisticated materials and techniques. Take Moroso's tent chair, for example, which is produced by 3D knitting; or Royal Botania's Palma umbrella, which uses an hidden opening mechanism. Here is a selection of cutting-edge products that provide ease and comfort outdoors.

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01 JANUS ET CIE MATISSE COLLECTION

This minimal, durable, value-driven collection includes a club chair (shown here), a two-seater, and seating modules that can be used in residential and contract spaces. The frame is made of powder-coated aluminum and the back and seat have mesh walls. janusetcie.com

02 HUBBELL LIGHTING GEOPAK LUMINAIRE

This architectural-grade LED wall pack comes in three shapes (Quartersphere shown here), with 3,000K, 4,000K, or 5,000K luminaires and an optional occupancy sensor. The battery lasts 30 percent longer than any other product in its class. hubbelloutdoor.com

03 MOROSO TENT CHAIR

Designed by Benjamin Hubert, this indoor-outdoor chair is made of a single 3D-knitted piece of recycled nylon stretched over a steel frame. The nylon fabric contains more than two million loops and has an integrated padding material that is sandwiched using the knitting process. morosousa.com

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