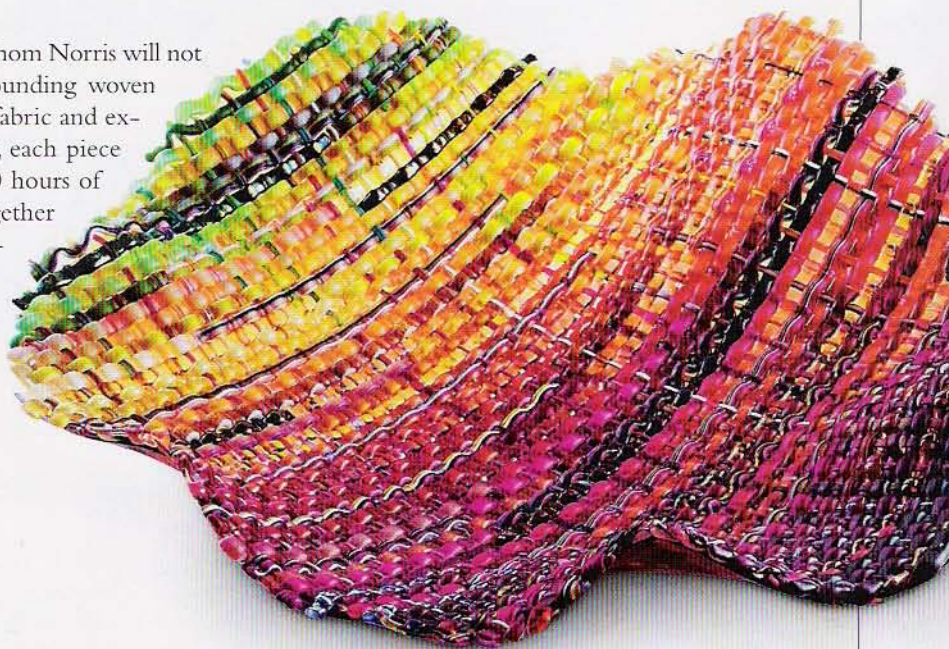


### Snake Charmer

TEDDY EDELMAN SAYS HER COMPANY'S just-introduced python leather floor tiles would "be dramatic in a very clean-looking loft." Designers, however, have been requesting the tiles for both yachts and kitchens, overriding her concerns of impracticality with the assurance that their clients neither swim nor cook. Edelman is not arguing. The python tiles are part of her New/Old line, which was inspired by the great French designer Jean-Michel Frank. "This collection is a reincarnation of a period when python was very, very fashionable," she says, "and used as decoration for everything imaginable." 800.886.8339, [www.edelmanleather.com](http://www.edelmanleather.com) —SHELLEY LEVITT

### Dream Weaver

MANY HAVE ASKED, but Eric Markow and Thom Norris will not divulge the method for creating their astounding woven glass sculptures, which have the tactility of fabric and extraordinarily brilliant hues. Suffice it to say, each piece requires artistry, patience, precision and 100 hours of kiln time. The artists, who live and work together in Falls Church, Va., began their collaboration over a decade ago, working on stained glass projects. They imagined an art form that the duo describes as, "impossible to comprehend and even more impossible to create." 888.282.7081, [www.wovenglass.com](http://www.wovenglass.com) —SHELLEY LEVITT



### Midtown Mojo

HEAVY-HITTING DECORATORS LIKE Marshall Watson, Victoria Hagan and Jeffrey Bilhuber are traipsing south of New York's design district to shop at **Center 44**, a new 25,000-square-foot antiques mecca on East 44th Street recently opened by Paul Plumadore and Jim Tindell (formerly of the exclusive Lafayette Antiques at the Warehouse in Harlem). The 70-plus international dealers were meticulously selected. "We demand absolute honesty," says Plumadore. "We need to know about the item—when it was made, where it came from." Need mid-century modern? Try Lin/Weinberg or Lear's. Museum-quality Americana? Third-generation Philadelphia dealer Francis Purcell is here. Anthropological oddities? Stop into Leonard Schechter. 212.450.7988 —JORGE S. ARANGO ☐

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