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AFTER THE RECENT DROUGHT IN THE WESTERN CAPE, A WATER-WISE ROOFTOP GARDEN INSPIRED **DESIGNER AND SKINNY LAMINX FOUNDER HEATHER MOORE** TO CREATE A NEW TEXTILE COLLECTION.



Having fallen in love with dry gardens, Heather decided to create one of her own. The Roof Garden collection takes its design cues from the succulents, aloes, euphorbia and cacti on the rooftop of Skinny laMinx's inner-city studio, a collection of mostly native plants that have managed to tough out the hot, dry weather.

"I am excited to have such a wildly colourful print in the Skinny laMinx fabric book," says Heather. Roof Garden sees the brand shift from its signature one- or two-colour prints to some interesting colour combinations, which have even brought older patterns in the Skinny laMinx repertoire back to life.

The collection is made up of three colourways, named after imagined rooftop gardens from around the world. Rio is a mix of jungle- and forest-inspired greens with a hint of lime; and the pastel Miami combines lemon, shell pink and cocoa. Cairo, which merges burnt orange, pink and cocoa to mimic the tones of the desert, has inspired Heather to plant more this spring. "I've become fascinated with the array of aloe species, and already have lots of them ready to plant," she says. "Their hot pink and orange flowers make a perfect match for the Cairo colourway."

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