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NEW ENGLAND-MADE PRODUCTS DESIGNED TO BRING A SUNNY TOUCH TO THE KITCHEN OR BATH

Hot Seats • Built of solid maple with brightly painted trim, Quentin Kelley's playful, quirky Trio Stools are just the thing to boost the cool factor at a kitchen island or casual table. Kelley, owner of Infusion Furniture, designs and builds cabinets, tables, chairs, beds, and dressers for commercial projects and private residences in a 100-year-old workshop in Milton, Massachusetts. "My father built the house I grew up in," says Kelley, explaining the roots of his woodworking interest. After studying engineering at Cornell University and volunteering in the Peace Corps, Kelley took up furniture making as a profession in 2000. He trained at woodworking shops around New England and was an apprentice for Lincoln, Rhode Island, furniture maker and landscape designer Hank Gilpin before opening Infusion Furniture in 2006. Adding color to his pieces "is pretty new for me," he says. "It's fun, and I like color. It gets attention." The stools come in yellow (PICTURED), blue, fuchsia, white, and black.

1) Trio Stools, chair height (19 inches), \$525, counter height (26 inches), \$825, bar height (30 inches), \$875, Infusion Furniture, Milton, MA; *infusionfurniture.com*.