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Outdoors

Seating Not Meant for Wallflowers

▶ In 1978, the Brazilian designer Sergio Rodrigues created an extroverted furniture group called Tajá. Now 86, Mr. Rodrigues has overseen a reissue of the collection, which is being distributed by the New York design showroom Espasso. The group includes an armchair, dining chair, settee and bar stool, all made of eucalyptus wood

certified by the Forest Stewardship Council. (Dining, coffee and side tables will be ready by the end of the year.) Each piece is available in a natural finish, or painted yellow, red, green, orange or blue. The wood versions are suitable for outdoor use, while the painted versions are recommended for covered outdoor areas only, to avoid sun

fading. “In Brazil, a lot of social life revolves around the outdoors,” said Carlos Junqueira, Espasso’s founder. “Tajā reflects this spirit.” Prices range from \$1,150 for the dining chair to \$2,600 for the settee. Available at Espasso, 38 North Moore Street (Hudson Street), (212) 219-0017, espasso.com.

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