

remarkably sweet

Arrowtown's The Remarkable Sweet Shop is aptly named. Everything about it is a pleasure, from the nostalgic design of the store and the fact browsing is actively encouraged, to the 350 to 400 products available at any one time. They carry local sweet treats as well as sugary imports from all over the world. Plus, they make their own, outrageously smooth, rich and creamy fudge in 25 flavours. Favourites include liquorice, try the salty Dutch liquorice, blackballs, pink smokers, sherbet dips, dolly mixture, sour sweets and an extensive range of sugar-free sweets... you name it. And now you can buy online, too. Visit www.remarkablesweetshop.co.nz



dine in, or float away?

The 100-year-old Auckland to Devonport ferry, the *Kestrel*, fondly remembered for her Friday-night jazz sessions, has had a multi-million-dollar extreme makeover and started a new life in sunny Tauranga. She now goes by the name of *Kestrel at the Landing* and has become a floating restaurant and bar. She's moored alongside a two-storey glass annexe on a steel pontoon, which offers guests a choice between seating indoors or out, in the "glasshouse" or on the boat. Phone (07) 928 1123.



thread your bed

Thread Design's elegant contemporary bed linen may keep you awake at night admiring your beautiful boudoir. The collection, 100 percent cotton, designed and made in New Zealand, includes baby bedware, bathrobes, throws and towels. Visit www.threaddesign.co.nz or phone (09) 302 1710 for stockists.



mini me tee

Kiwi-designed, Soul Bubba's eight limited edition and two classic tees are the funkiest of babywear. None of your cutesy-pie here, they are 100 percent cool, right down to the LP-style packaging. Phone (09) 482 0805, or visit www.soul-bubba.com

gold charm

Nugget Point, one of Queenstown's most renowned boutique properties and proud recipient of the Condé Nast Gold List award in 2004, encompasses everything you would expect from a world-class, luxury hotel, and more. Located in a dramatic setting, suspended above the famous Shotover River and at the foot of Coronet Peak Ski Field, Nugget Point is a stone's throw from Queenstown, yet it feels like another world. The award-winning Birches Restaurant and Lounge Bar, with warm open log fires, provide a romantic setting for fine dining or cosy evenings in the soft leather armchairs. Try a meal accompanied by a selection from the world-class wine list. Visit www.nuggetpoint.co.nz

