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GLOBES: THE
MAN WITH
THE WORLD
IN HIS
HANDS**



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LIFE THROUGH A LENS

Robb Report finds out more about the latest love of Ministry of Design founder Colin Seah.

By JERI CHUA

What has been the object of your affections lately? A bespoke pair of buffalo horn sunglasses by Smith & Norbu, a birthday gift from my wife, Joy.

How did you find out about Smith & Norbu, and where did you get the glasses made? We came across the store in

Hong Kong at

PMQ. It's

the brand's only store

that provides a bespoke service. Otherwise, the studio travels to different cities.

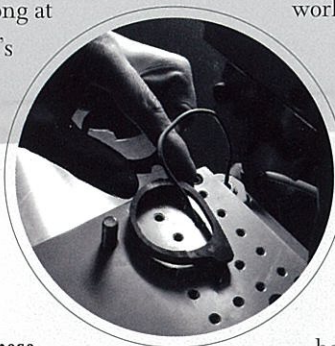
What is it about these frames that make them so special?

I loved the assortment of tones and mottling. The tone is incredibly

varied, with black, brown and white swirls. The temples are extensions of the colour of the frame, one side black and the other whitish. I've also picked a matte finish, which is lovely to touch. The shape is bold and geometric. Lastly, I picked a light golden-brown tinted lens, a lovely tone to see the world through.

Smith & Norbu frames are available at W Optics in Suntec City Mall, priced from \$1,100 to \$1,700. The next

bespoke appointment is scheduled for September or October, details to be released soon. www.smith-norbu.com



Seah took almost two hours to design his bespoke pair of sunglasses, right down to the finest details.

WANT IT, NEED IT



Metal clip-on sunglasses in grey acetate, gunmetal frame and mirrored lenses; Giorgio Armani, \$390.



Metal and acetate blend in a unique double bridge; Prada Society special collection, \$550.