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DESIGNER SAVING THE ENVIRONMENT, ONE COUCH AT A TIME
Chicago Furniture Designer Goes Green: Re-cycled Cork Used to Make Custom
Furniture with an Eye on the Environment.

Chicago, IL (January 10, 2008) -- Chicago artist and furniture designer Trevor O'Neil has recently created a 'Green' couch (Titled, '**Dulce de Leche Divan**'), made from re-cycled cork salvaged from a gutted warehouse. Going 'green' is a commitment to environmental sustainability.

According to a survey by GTK Roper (USA TODAY, 12/18/2007, B-1), 75% of Americans plan to be more environmentally responsible in 2008 by reducing household energy or recycling more. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, Americans are the world's worst polluters. In 2006, U.S. residents, businesses, and institutions produced more than 251 million tons of Municipal Solid Waste, which is approximately 4.6 pounds of waste per person per day.

O'Neil made the piece to illustrate what can be done with 'garbage', in hopes that people would consider the ever growing problem with our land fills.



"I believe we are all too quick to throw something away without giving too much thought to where it ends up. I wanted to make something spectacular out of another man's garbage, in hopes that maybe next time, we will all think before we toss something to the curb". – Trevor O'Neil

Trevor O'Neil Design was founded in 2006 and is located in Chicago, IL. T.O.D. is focused on producing custom made pieces of furniture from sustainable or recycled material whenever possible.

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If you would like more information about T.O.D., the 'Dulce de Leche Divan', or would like to set up an interview with Trevor O'Neil, please contact Elliott Preston at (904) 687-5574, or epreston@tojogallery.com.