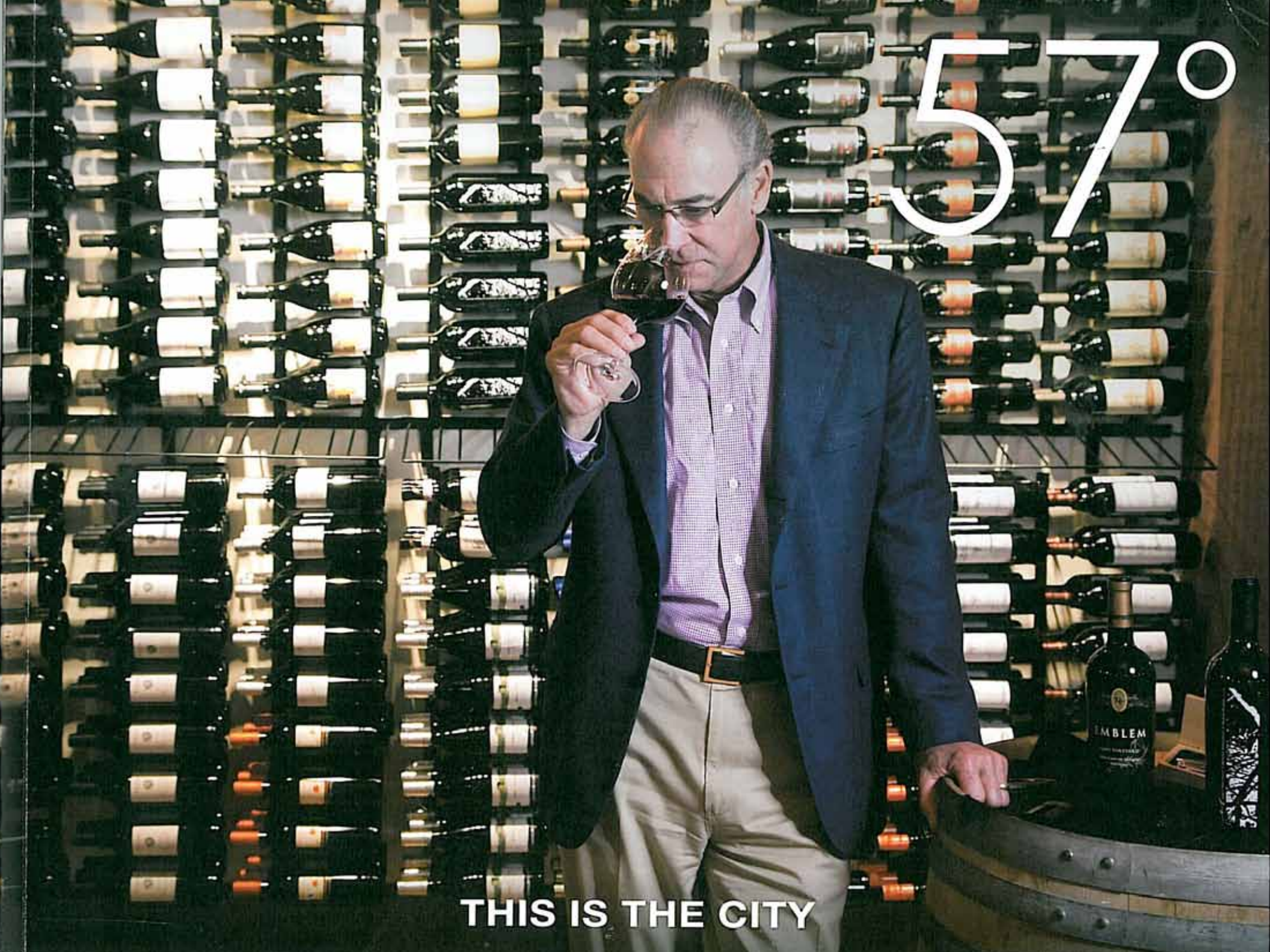


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Functional Sculpture for Stylish Living

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A true visionary with an eye for quality and good design, Bill Sieberts opened Summit Furniture in 1979. At that time, patio furniture was utilitarian rather than decorative. It certainly was not built to last. Bill believed that a stately home deserved elegant outdoor furnishings to complement what was showcased indoors. He also sensed a growing interest in outdoor living and entertaining. With these astute observations in mind, Bill began a long and fruitful collaboration with Carmel designer Kipp Stewart. The two set out to create beautiful furniture crafted of the best materials, made to last a lifetime.

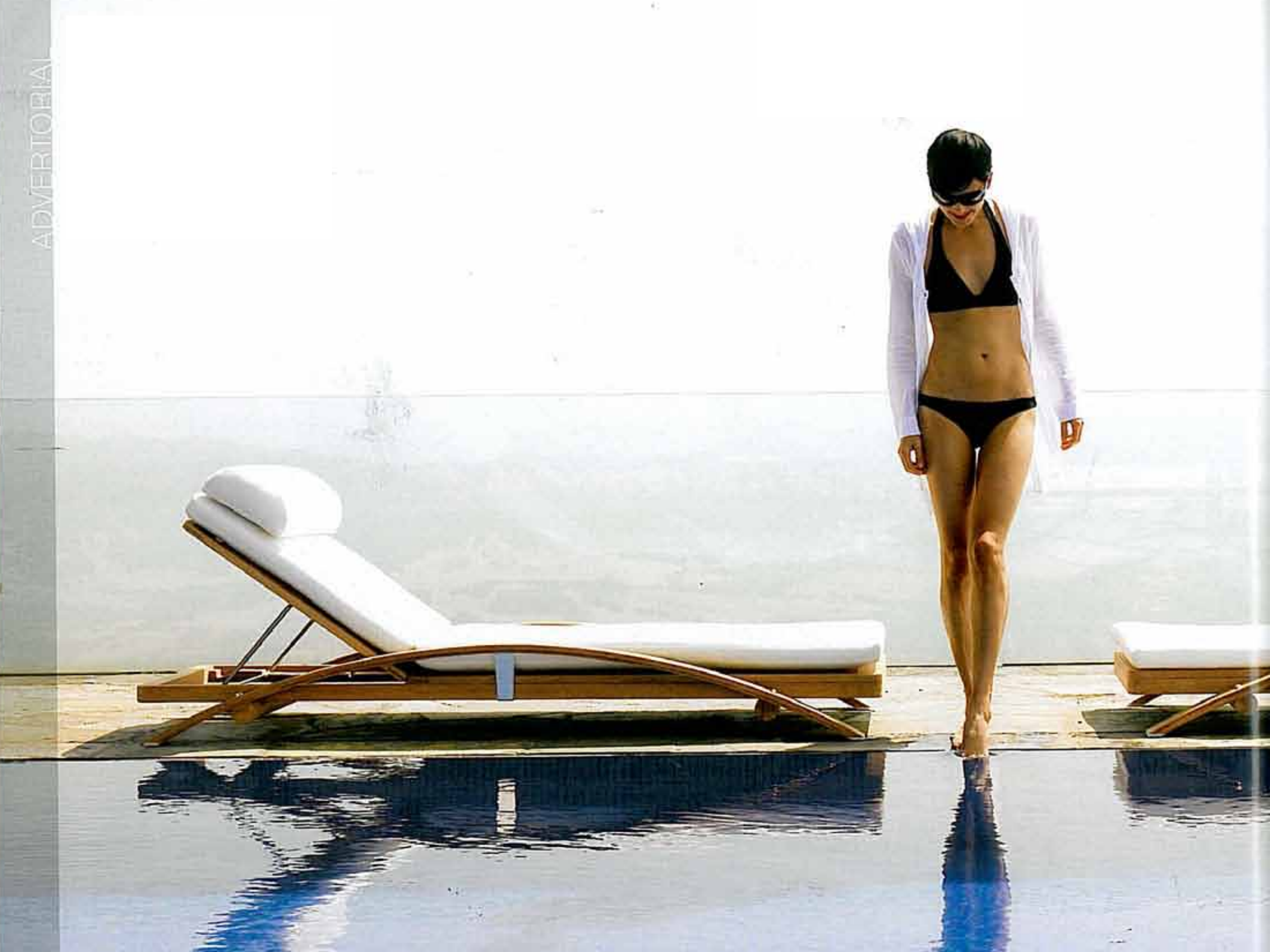
Teak became the wood of choice for Sieberts and Stewart. Teak is a hardwood known for its beautiful grain, color, and durability. Summit teak, the finest available, is plantation grown on the Indonesian island of Java, making it a sustainable resource. The first collection launched by the new company was aptly named First Cabin. The collection won accolades from the design community and set the standard for the industry.

The business continued to grow and more collections were brought to market. Following his passion for travel, Bill introduced Summit to the European design community in the late 1980s. The furniture was enthusiastically received by design professionals and their discerning clientele. At Bill's invitation, John Munford, a renowned super yacht designer in Europe, developed a folding/stacking collection. Munford's Sundeck series is iconic and continues to be one of the company's most popular offerings.

Bill's wife Jane took over leadership as president in 2001 and Bill remained the CEO. With a background in business and design, Jane reinvigorated the brand, and brought on four distinguished designers to deepen and diversify the company's offerings. New materials were combined with teak such as stainless steel. A modern, non teak collection was unveiled in March at the company's showroom in the Pacific Design Center in Los Angeles.









Leaving behind a legacy of quality and excellence, Bill passed away in 2011. Jane is passionate about preserving Summit's history of success and maintaining the high standard that Bill set many years ago. "Summit is evolving and really growing," she says. "We're a family here. We are people-centered, relationship focused. All my associates are as proud as I am of the furniture and the quality behind our product."

Although a local, family-owned business, Summit is the first choice for elegant hotels and restaurants, private clubs, estates, and villas in London, Paris, Monaco, Bali, the Caribbean, New York, Dallas, and Los Angeles. A look at the company's website reveals a list of impressive commercial installations, ranging from the Inn at Spanish Bay, right in Summit's backyard, to the Hotel Romazzino in Porto Cervo, Sardinia.

Summit furniture is also on board some of the largest motor yachts and sailing yachts in the world, owned by celebrities, business tycoons, and royalty.

Not exclusively for the super wealthy, the furniture is suitable for anyone who values quality, durability, and great design. Summit furniture is functional sculpture designed to bring greater beauty and pleasure to everyday life.

Summit is headquartered in Monterey, with showrooms to the trade in San Francisco, Los Angeles, London, and Monaco. The public is invited to visit the Monterey showroom and view both the newest collections and the timeless classics.

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