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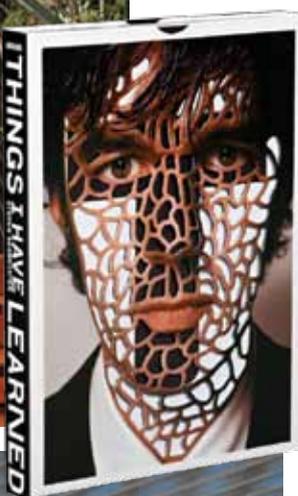
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GOLD LIST EDITION

# in focus.

WITH HIS CAMERA AND 20MM LENS IN HAND, PHOTOGRAPHER DAN SCHROCK OF AMBIENT LIFE PHOTOGRAPHY CAPTURES THE QUINTESSENTIAL TO-DO LIST IN DENVER THIS WINTER. FROM THE ULTIMATE WEEKEND GETAWAY TO A CAPTIVATING MUSEUM, HIS PICKS ARE PICTURE-PERFECT.



## DESIGN AT HAND

My must-read design book is anything by Stefan Sagmeister; a genius in the world of graphic design, he has pushed so many boundaries in the field. I have always found something that stands out in his books that pertains to something either in my life today or in the past. [sagmeisterwalsh.com](http://sagmeisterwalsh.com)

## MEAL TICKET

Modern and lively, I love dining at Izakaya Den on South Pearl Street, a sake house with delicious tapas. I recommend the diver scallops served on a bed of cauliflower puree and yuzu pearls. The open-air patio is beautiful and relaxing with outdoor lights twinkling overhead—the perfect atmosphere to enjoy a cocktail and conversation. [izakayaden.net](http://izakayaden.net)

## INSTANT GRATIFICATION

This winter, I'll be taking a trip to Steamboat to lounge in the natural hot springs. It's the perfect weekend trip to do nothing but read and relax in the springs with sweeping views of the snow-capped mountains. [steamboat.com](http://steamboat.com)

## CHARMING CONTRADICTION

Tucked away amongst the natural landscape, the Clyfford Still Museum is an absolutely beautiful space both inside and out. The building itself is somewhat oxymoronic: The exterior is concrete with hard, sharp angles, but the interiors are warm and inviting. The artwork goes on for days and I always discover something new each time I visit. [clyffordstillmuseum.org](http://clyffordstillmuseum.org)

## GRIND IT OUT

Stella's Coffee Haus on South Pearl Street is a great place to get coffee. They do a delicious cold-press stock for their iced coffee that's refreshing and an eye-opener to say the least. It's so rich, smooth and perfect every time. I recommend this with a fair amount of whole milk. [stellascoffee.com](http://stellascoffee.com)

## PUT A RING ON IT

Williams Jewelers of Cherry Creek North introduced me to the jewelry brand Sholdt, whose pieces are custom made-to-order. It may be cliché since I recently got married, but my signature piece is my one-of-a-kind wedding band. [williamsjewelers.net](http://williamsjewelers.net); [sholdtdesign.com](http://sholdtdesign.com)