

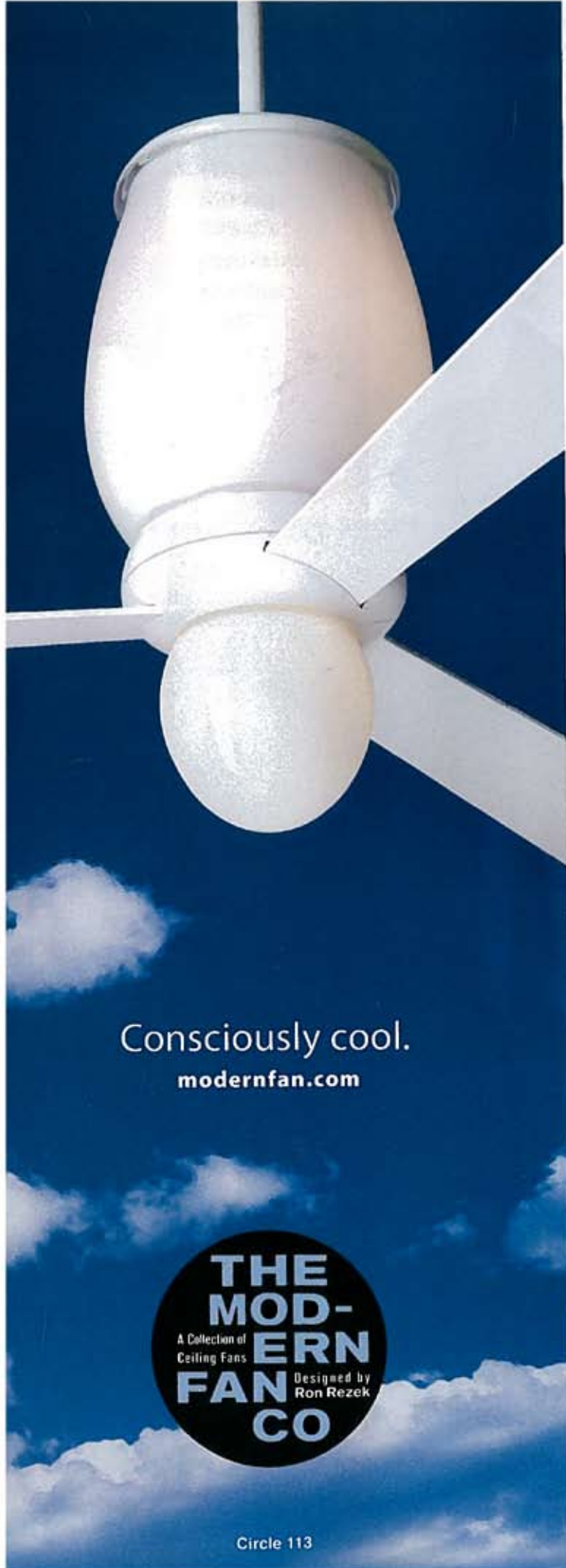
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Good Enough To Eat



Talk about good-for-you. Since opening two years ago in the Georgetown neighborhood of Washington, D.C., Sweetgreen has been offering customers all-natural salads and frozen yogurts in biodegradable packaging—inside a small space powered by wind. Additional locations bowed this past spring in Dupont Circle and suburban Bethesda, Maryland. All three feature paneling and custom furniture made from reclaimed wood, some of it re-purposed from bowling alleys. The cafés are the work of Core Architecture + Design, which had previously completed the interior of Founding Farmers, a notable LEED Gold-certified restaurant in the capital.

From top: The three Sweetgreen eco eateries by Core Architecture + Design include an outpost in Bethesda, Maryland. Inside, custom tables and benches made from wood reclaimed from bowling alleys.



The **Bamboo Bike Studio** in Brooklyn, New York, and the Earth Institute at Columbia University are establishing factories to make sustainable bicycles in developing countries, starting with Ghana, Kenya, and Ecuador. The Brooklyn studio provides local participants with New Jersey-grown bamboo and a course on tube-cutting, mitering, and frame-binding. Pedals, wheels, handlebars, and a chain are added for a \$1,000 fee, most of which goes straight back into the piggy bank to pay for additional factories, wages, education, food, and health care.

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