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# Couched in style

Create your own luxe media room for watching the World Cup with our checklist of creature comforts, writes **Stephen Lacey**.

**A**fter four years of waiting, it's finally upon us. Welcome to the month-long, late-night TV marathon known as the World Cup. It might be hard work for the players but setting yourself up in front of the television in the wee hours of winter also takes planning and commitment.

But just because you've become nocturnal doesn't mean you need to let your sense of style slide like a Lucas Neill tackle.

Give a red card to trackie daks and dragging your doona off the bed to the sofa. Say no to instant coffee, moth-eaten dressing gowns and holey socks.

EssentialStyle has come up with the ultimate World Cup survival guide. If you put in the hard yards with us, you'll get all the way to the finals, refreshed, comfortable and with a certain je ne sais quoi.



### Pyjama party

OK, so you've managed to crawl out of bed. But what are you wearing? Well, hopefully it's a pair of these chic pyjamas from luxury lounge and sleepwear designer Deshabille. The range is super fashionable, with great colourways and vintage-inspired prints. Made from 100 per cent cotton with silk ribbons. The Happiness PJ pants are \$59.95 and the Candy long-sleeve tee in soft rayon-spandex rib is \$49.95. Available from DJs or online at [deshabille.com.au](http://deshabille.com.au).



### Fancy feet

Team your PJs with a glam pair of slippers, such as these Jet Set Janes from the My Sweet Feet range. Designed in Sydney by a mother-and-daughter team, the slippers have even appeared on the tootsies of Bree (Marcia Cross) in *Desperate Housewives*. \$79.95 from [www.mysweetfeet.com.au](http://www.mysweetfeet.com.au).

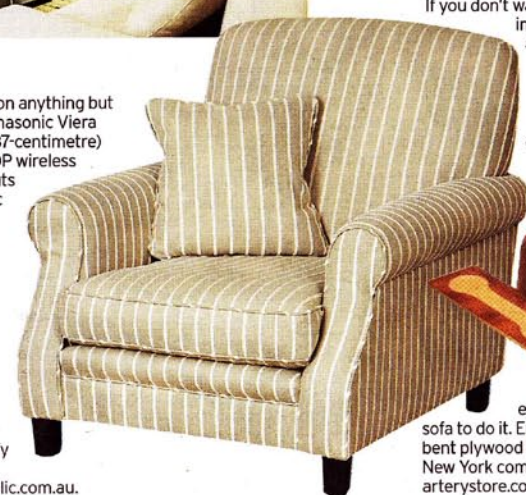
### Dressed for success

Blokes can stay comfortable in the range of PJs and robes from Melbourne pyjama man Peter Alexander. The soft fleece gown (\$79) and Zig Zag Stripe PJ set (\$59) are available from selected DJs or Myer stores, Peter Alexander stores and online at [peteralexander.com.au](http://peteralexander.com.au).



### Visual art

How can you watch the Cup on anything but the king of plasmas – the Panasonic Viera TH-P54Z1A? This 54-inch (137-centimetre) digital stunner features 1080P wireless transmissions, 4 x HDMI inputs and a 2,000,000+:1 dynamic contrast ratio. \$5999 from electrical retailers. See [panasonic.com.au](http://panasonic.com.au).



### Curl up

Check the graceful Classic club chair from Coco Republic (pictured). Available in a range of designs, it's priced from \$335. Also look at the comfy French Market Moustache chair, \$4595. See [cocorepublic.com.au](http://cocorepublic.com.au).



### Wakey, wakey

If you don't want to sleep through that all-important game, you'll need an alarm clock. And they don't come much sexier than the Jet clock by British designer Theo Williams for Lexon. It has the time, day, date, temperature and snooze. On sale for \$71.20 from [arterystore.com](http://arterystore.com).



### Lap of luxury

Even a die-hard football fan has to eat but you don't need to leave the sofa to do it. Enjoy a sofa supper on this elegant bent plywood tray designed by Eric Pfeiffer for New York company Offi. From \$485, see [arterystore.com](http://arterystore.com).



### Coffee hit

You've dressed the part. Now you need a short black to keep your eyes open for those early matches. Check the sexy Citiz, which won an Australian International Design Award last week. Working with Nespresso capsule technology, the Citiz is simple to use. Order the capsules online and have them delivered by George Clooney himself ([nespresso.com](http://nespresso.com)). The Citiz is available from electrical retailers, from \$369.

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