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Bal's Savoir beds to raise funds for HIV+

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Q. Your designs always have a curious mix of aggressive and neutral, showy and shy elements. Will the bed also reflect it?

A: The bed will definitely have certain degree of exuberance and a high degree of opulence. It is going to be a piece of art, fancy but at the same time comfortable. I would love to bring out India's luxury sensibilities in the bed which will travel across the world. It will depict the Indian Royal era.



Rohit Bal's Savoir bed

Q. When you teamed up with Savoir Beds, what was the brief given to you and how did you develop it?

A: No brief whatsoever. They wanted me to design something that represents my design philosophy. The only thing they said was 'be as creative as you can'.

Q. It is to be auctioned for charity, could you share some details about this?

A: I will be designing just one bed for now. Each of the designers will be creating one bed, which will travel to the fashion weeks at London, Paris, Milan and New York. Post the showing, the bed is going to be auctioned. I would like to donate all the proceeds to Naz Foundation. It is an organisation that works for the welfare of the HIV positive patients. They have launched mobile vans, clinics that houses abandoned HIV patients, including children and senior citizens. They are doing a fabulous deed and I would love to extend as much support to the foundation as possible.

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Savoir Beds has a history of delivering convention and most luxurious beds in the world for over hundred years now. It has 15 showrooms across the globe. Rohit Bal, who is a celebrated fashion designer with shows staged from London to New York, has added his touch of brilliance with the newly introduced project O. As per Rohit Bal, sensual, luxurious, seductive, and beautiful. These are the words that come to mind when he thinks of a Savoir Bed.

Rohit, who is also design collaborator of Louboutin Shoes, is without a doubt, quite excited to be part of this collaboration. The opulent beds, which are been made with a combination of very finest natural materials, from horsetail to lambswool and cashmere, will be auctioned and the proceeds will then go to a charity of the designer's choice.



Now You Can Go To Bed With Designer Rohit Bal!

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Savoir Beds has become famous for designing masterpieces for some of our most celebrated and successful people from the world-over like Winston Churchill and Marilyn Monroe to Yasmin and Simon Le Bon today.

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Luxury furniture

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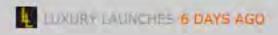
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