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The Italian Job

WHILE your average aesthete was sweating through the streets of Milan for Salone del Mobile last week, some were breathing much rarer air. We hear Sonali Ashar, the celebrated Creative Director of Sonali Ashar Designs, wasn't just "at" the world's design capital—she was strictly behind the velvet ropes. Amidst the chaos of the design frenzy last week, the legendary Italian house Provasi hosted a super exclusive soirée.



Sonali Ashar and Susanna Provasi

Rubbing shoulders with the Provasi dynasty—Susanna, Carlo, and the boys—our Mumbai design maven got a rare view of heritage luxury. Forget trends; this was about the “if you know, you know” kind of craftsmanship that's defined Provasi since 1970. In a city brimming with visionary ideas, Sonali clearly secured the most coveted seat in the house.