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H&G insider

the block

It's seven years since we were swept up in the trials and tribulations of *The Block*, but the series is back with plenty more remedies and tricks. The first episode airs on the Nine Network on September 19 when you'll meet the new contestants: clockwise from top left, Jake and Erin, Brenton and Cheryl, John and Keisha, and Mark and Duncan.



SECRET AGENT

What did they pay for that house? How much should I offer? Is this suburb a buyer's market? Answer these questions with the Commonwealth Bank's new Property Guide. It's a free iPhone app that, among many handy features, provides sales-price histories and property profiles, and even alerts you when a house you've been eyeing finally goes up for sale. Go to www.commbank.com.au/propertyapp.



Getting married? If you already have a toaster, vacuum cleaner, dinner set and the like, ask guests (nicely) to contribute to your dream kitchen at www.freedomkitchens.com.au.

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ART CENTRE

Discover the soul of Australia with Hetti Perkins as she looks back at the past 30 years of Aboriginal art in her book *Art+Soul* (The Miegunyah Press, \$79.95). Hetti, an expert in contemporary indigenous art, is also hosting a television series of the same name, which starts screening on the ABC on October 7. The enthralling three-part series is part road-trip adventure, part art guide and features more than 200 artworks and photographs. **H&G**



A HANDSOME ITALIAN

If you're planning a kitchen update that oozes class and individuality, check out the new range from Marchetti Kitchens. The high-end units are custom-made in Italy and look like part of the furniture. Domo Collections; (03) 8803 8870 or www.domo.com.au.