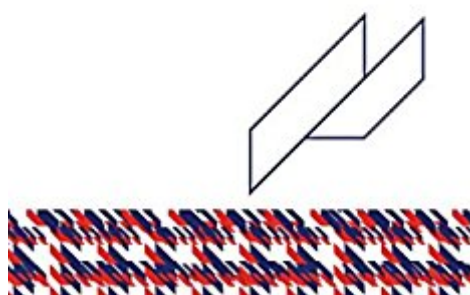


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# Unpleasant Design



## Synopsis

The "Unpleasant Design" book is a collection of different research approaches to a phenomenon experienced by all of us. Unpleasant design is a global fashion with many examples to be found across cities worldwide, manifested in the form of "silent agents" that take care of behaviour in public space, without the explicit presence of authorities. Photographs, essays and case studies of unpleasant urban spaces, urban furniture and communication strategies reveal this pervasive phenomenon. With contributions by Adam Rothstein, Francesco Morace and Heather Stewart Feldman, Vladan Jeremic, Dan Lockton, Yasmine Abbas, Gilles PatÃ©©, Adam Harvey and many others, the book is an attempt to recognise this nascent discipline within contemporary design taxonomies. Book chapters are illustrated with witty designs by Nikola Korac.

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The idea of "unpleasant" design at the intersections of design and (literally) structural oppression. Urban ares have been attempting to change human behavior for hundreds of years, and in the modern day resort to all sorts of exclusionary designs. This book is a short chronicle of these "features," as well as a brief documentation of countermovements (think "The Yes Men").

Great collection of anecdotes, examples, and evidence of how 'public' spaces work against our most common needs of connection and fostering of social capital.

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