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Another spirited effort from Rolls-Royce, and flat-panel TV's bigger picture. . . .



GHOST STORY * The four-door **Rolls-Royce Ghost** (www.rolls-roycemotors.com), unveiled in concept form at the International Geneva Motor Show in March, is short by company standards. The car, however, is only 17 inches shorter than Rolls-Royce's 19-foot-long Phantom models, and it features a similar shape. The Ghost will also share paint, wood, and leather workshops with the Phantom series, but it will have its own production line, where the company will build the car's new chassis and install its 6.6-liter turbocharged V-12 engine. Production will begin late this

year, and, as with the Phantom, Rolls-Royce will likely release coupe and convertible versions of the Ghost. . . .



be available through custom-installation firms only. The TV will feature CCFL backlighting, 1080 progressive resolution, 120 Hz picture performance, NiDO image scaling, and 10-bit image processing. . . .

MERCURY RISING * Objects that appear to be chrome pebbles hang from an aluminum disk on Artemide's new **Mercury Cluster** ceiling lamp (877.278.3933, www.artemide.us), which was built for the Italian lighting firm by British industrial designer Ross Lovegrove. Lovegrove formed the objects from thermoplastic and hung them at varying heights; the lower-hanging pieces are affixed with halogen bulbs that cast light up and onto the higher ones, which in turn reflect the light around and back down into the room. The standard nine-pebble lamp is priced at \$2,500, but Artemide can produce custom versions of the Mercury Cluster—with hundreds of pebbles—that cost tens of thousands of dollars. . . .

VISION QUEST * The recent demise of Pioneer's Kuro plasma-TV line reduced the options for consumers of high-end flat-panel TVs. NuVision, a Scottsdale, Ariz., company that was founded four years ago, hopes to fill the void left by Kuro with Lucidium, a series of LCD TVs ranging from 22 inches to 65 inches. The new \$12,000 65-inch **NuVision Lucidium FX5** (www.nuvision.com), like other NuVision TVs, will

Rolls-Royce's Ghost, Artemide's Mercury Cluster ceiling lamp, and NuVision's 65-inch Lucidium FX5 television.