

ime is eternal, but our share of it is finite, which explains why managing our allotted years, days and seconds is so important. Louis Vuitton's Tambour collection is celebrating its first decade in collaboration with *Thailand Tatler* and Gaysorn, together with an exhibition at the shopping centre this month. These portraits of 10 personalities that commemorate the luxury brand's iconic timepiece also help a good cause; each person has generously agreed to donate Louis Vuitton's contribution of 100,000 baht for each one to the Chaipattana Foundation.

RELATIVE VALUES Marisa Sukosol Nunbhakdi and Daranee Sukosol Clapp

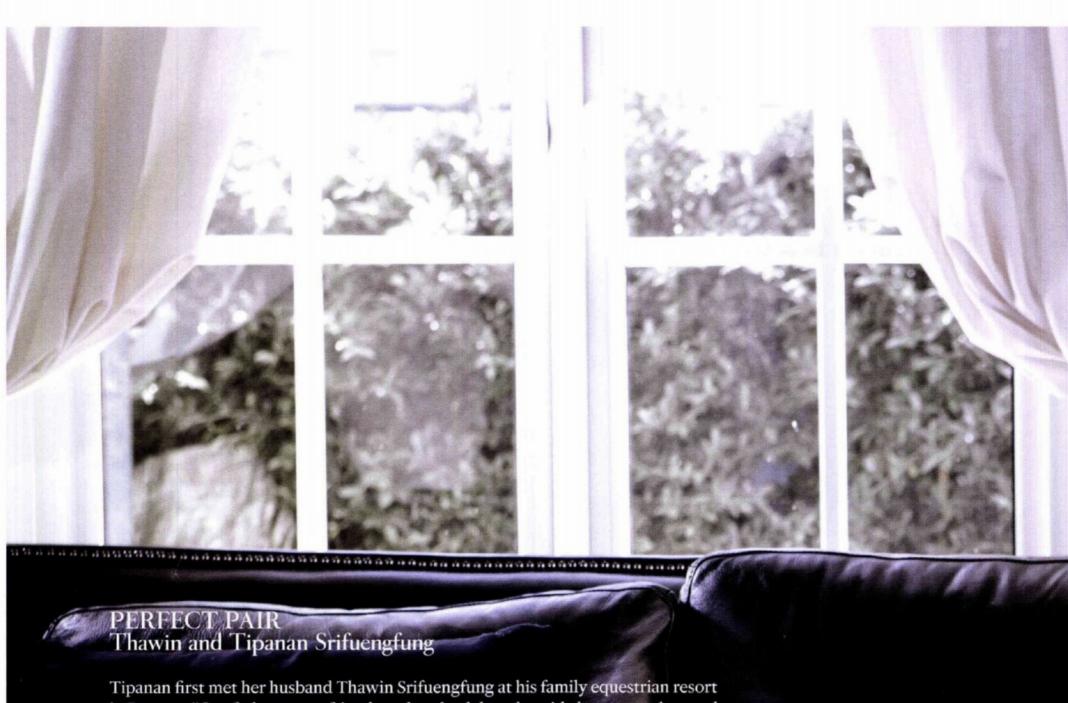
Being a working mother can be tough. "Anybody who tells you that they manage their time effortlessly is lying," says Marisa Sukosol Nunbhakdi, executive vice president of Sukosol Hotels. "It is impossible to be both a perfect mum and businesswoman." Surprises at home and the office create a challenge for mothers to always balance their time well. "I tend to focus more on the quality rather than the quantity of time," says Daranee Sukosol Clapp, executive vice president for finance for the company. "10 minutes of interaction can be more worthwhile than spending the whole day with my two children, Natalia and Nicholas Sukosol Briones, who are 14 and 11." Marisa shares the same viewpoint as her sister, since conversations with her two sons, Matthew (14) and Michael (12) Nunbhakdi are essential to ensure that she is actively involved in their lives. "But you must also think about yourself, as we can't be too selfless," she says. "We must also take time off to do nothing, as it puts you in a better mood and mindset to deal with everyday tasks."











Tipanan first met her husband Thawin Srifuengfung at his family equestrian resort in Pattaya. "Our fathers were friends and we both loved to ride horses, so the ranch seemed like the right place to meet," says the managing director and designer of her own handbag and accessories line, Tu'i. After nearly five years of marriage, the couple enjoys staying at home, cooking, travelling and shopping for furniture and flowers. "We try not to let work interfere with our leisure time," says Tipanan. "It is very difficult to manage your personal and professional life, but we try our best to divide them equally. I wouldn't say I prioritise well, as I still come home and think of work." Thawin, business development manager at family-owned Thaisri Insurance Company, elaborates, "Growing up in a business-oriented family, I saw how elders managed their time. They never separated their office and home lives, and even at mealtimes they would talk business. It was rather overwhelming and made me realise that we needed to differentiate between work and leisure hours."



