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Imagine *Learning from Las Vegas* as illustrated by Chris Ware, and you'll get a sense of François Blanciak's marvelously inventive new book.

(Metropolis)

In *Siteless: 1001 Building Forms*, French architect François Blanciak surrenders the usual anchors of function and site for an exercise in pure form. His astoundingly imaginative 1,001 designs could challenge architects and engineers for decades.

(Santa Fe New Mexican)

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