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ANN SACKS UNVEILS DESIGNS BY KELLY WEARSTLER

ANN SACKS introduces three thoughtfully curated tile and stone collections by Kelly Wearstler that feature handmade designs inspired by Wearstler’s signature prints, patterns and motifs in visually striking and textural materials, including hand-painted tiles, embossed stones, and ceramic and stoneware.

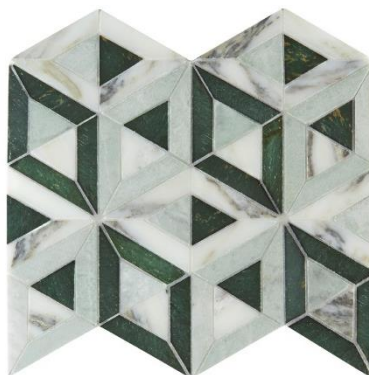
PORTLAND, Ore. (January 19, 2016) – ANN SACKS, leading designer and manufacturer of fine tile and stone, collaborated with internationally renowned designer, Kelly Wearstler, to create a series of collections that embody the heart and soul of her remarkable, often-published and heralded career. Her love for geometric patterns and architectural details, the precision and clean symmetry, and visually striking and boldly distinctive designs, with a modern nod to sand and stone patterned landscapes, all come into play through her new designs for ANN SACKS..

“I’m thrilled to be partnering with ANN SACKS,” said Wearstler. “Delving into this expressive medium has always been a dream of mine. To be able to collaborate with a formidable leader in this industry has been incredible. We share an affinity for artisanal craftsmanship and thoughtful materiality. It has been the ultimate luxury to have my vision come to life with such precision and beauty.”

The three collections – Maven, Tableau, and Liaison – are the first of five collections being



Maven - pattern: Solstice III



Liaison – pattern: Doheny Small

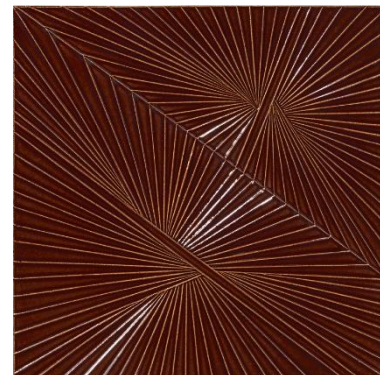


Tableau: pattern: Horizon I

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unveiled in 2016. Each speak to Wearstler's design acumen and ability to translate her love of nature and all its unique beauty and irregularities into works of art.

The remarkable series all stem from the heart of an artist who incorporates the world around her in surprising ways. Explained Wearstler, "My aesthetic is about mixology – the juxtaposition of contemporary and classic, masculine and feminine, raw and refined. I have a great passion and affinity for art history. Important historical reference points lend such spirit to a space. The tension of opposites has always been innately sexy to me. I want to tell a story that is adventurous, unexpected and special."

Her collective body of work speaks to Wearstler's insightful ability to transport an ideal into a dimensional, artistic expression. Her collections for ANN SACKS build upon these core values – from the textural play of stone mosaics, to employing the handcraft of the cuerda seca dry line technique, and the earthy beauty of stoneware – all come together in three distinctive collections that speak to her great talent and very unlike anything produced by ANN SACKS in the past.

"Designs that explore a clever use of materiality from a range of eras and risk-taking aesthetics all appeal to me most," said Wearstler. I am hugely influenced by architecture, art and fashion. Nature is a persistent muse, especially living in California. Mixing raw elements with curated, elegant materiality creates a beautiful synchronicity that feels natural, yet at the same time composed and cool."

About Kelly Wearstler

Kelly Wearstler's eponymous global luxury lifestyle brand is renowned for its distinctive designs and sophisticated soulful vibe pioneered by the celebrated interior designer. The brand's breadth of influence spans from residential and commercial interior design to curated collections of furniture, lighting, rugs, fabrics, wall coverings, tiles, luxe bedding, fine china, decorative home accessories, jewelry and objets d'art. With a signature style that juxtaposes raw with refined, melds color, sophistication and spirited spontaneity, and seamlessly blends diverse periods of furniture under one roof, Wearstler has revolutionized the look, feel and meaning of modern American design. Named to *Architectural Digest's* preeminent Top 100 Architecture & Interior Design list, Wearstler's work and profiles are frequently featured in top design, travel, fashion, lifestyle and business publications worldwide. Wearstler's collections are sold at the Kelly Wearstler flagship store in Los Angeles, Bergdorf Goodman in New York and internationally at fine boutiques, premier department stores and Wearstler's robust online boutique kellywearstler.com. Visit the world of Kelly on Instagram [@kellywearstler](https://www.instagram.com/kellywearstler).

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About ANN SACKS

Founded in 1981, ANN SACKS has built its reputation with inspiring designs in tile, stone, plumbing, lighting and accessories. Based in Portland, Ore., the company is a division of the Kohler Co. Interiors Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of Kohler Co. Ann Sacks Tile and Stone, Inc., along with Kallista plumbing and Robern mirrored cabinetry and vanities are part of the Kohler Interiors Decorative Products sector. Under its Furniture sector resides Baker and McGuire furniture.

Founded in 1873 and headquartered in Kohler, Wis., Kohler Co. is one of America's oldest and largest privately held companies. Kohler is a global leader in the manufacture of kitchen and bath products, engines and power generation systems, cabinetry, tile and home interiors, and international host to award-winning hospitality and world-class golf destinations.

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