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Introducing the new SS20 collection from The Conran Shop



Clockwise from top left: Arne Jacobsen, Mesa Cushion Covers, ABS Objects and Double-weave handmade Bamboo Shades.

The first seasonal launch from The Conran Shop in the new decade continues the global design emporium's commitment to presenting a snapshot of the best design from around the world.

The Spring/Summer 2020 collection can be broadly characterised as Modern Mediterranean, as shown by the coastal palette of blues and yellows, stripes and crosshatches, highlight pieces from Greece, Portugal and beyond, as well as the emphasis on outdoor living. This responds to Sir Terence Conran's vision to "make everyday life more in tune with what we enjoy." Pleasure, he says, "is too important to be sidelined into a vacation break and sidestepped the rest of the year."

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This season, The Conran Shop's team presents a collection from a global network of brands, craftspeople and artisans, including:

- Exclusive collaborations with **Artek, Fritz Hansen and Lange Production** introducing compelling modern-day takes on classic designs by **Grete Jalk, Fabricius and Kastholm, Arne Jacobsen, Yrjö Kukkapuro** and more;
- New designs by The Conran Shop – such as intricately handwoven Vietnamese bamboo lampshades and hand-embroidered linen cushions covers from India;
- Adaptable outdoor furniture that will weather a storm while being equally at home inside.

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Exclusive collaborations with The Conran Shop

Arne Jacobsen Egg and Swan Chairs in Febrik upholstery

Originally designed by Arne Jacobsen using pioneering techniques, and now these distinguished heroes of mid-century design receive a velvet finish for the first time. Incorporating a new wool blend from Febrik, the chairs are now available in 21 colours of Kvadrat's luxurious Gentle Velvet Clay and Gentle Blue Wool Velvet.



Classic Danish design made by Lange Production

The Danish brand Lange Production has worked closely with the estates of iconic designers such as Grete Jalk, Fabricius and Kastholm, and Horst Brüning to establish itself as an important manufacturer of the finest European furniture.



Items include the captivating GJ Bow Chair. Grete Jalk's most renowned design, the expressive chair's complex plywood

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structure and refined lines have been lauded for over half a century.

Utilitarian design to display: Dustpan & Brush by Andrée Jardin

Who better to make The Conran Shop's collection of beautiful dustpans and brushes than Andrée Jardin, the French brush maker founded in 1947. Manufactured to the highest possible standards, the Tall Dustpan & Brush and Table Dustpan & Brush are set to become household classics.



Still made in the original family-founded factory by skilled artisans using traditional techniques, the brushes have a lacquered beechwood handle, bristles crafted from horsehair and synthetic fibres, and a lacquered metal pan in Conran blue.

A Conran favourite: Karuselli, now in a limited-edition all-black finish

Sir Terence Conran's favourite chair, the Karuselli Lounge Chair designed by Yrjö Kukkapuro, is now available in all-black prestige leather. There are 3 available at The Conran Shop.



An experimental play with moulds, the undulating yet balanced form is reminiscent of the human body resting in snow. Sitting atop a fully rotating and reclining base, the sturdy fibreglass shell and generous padding ensure exceptional comfort.

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Cannabis candle designed by Jonas Damon for Malin & Goetz

Featuring a bespoke glass vessel by acclaimed industrial designer Jonas Damon, the vessel for the exclusive, supersized cannabis candle by Malin & Goetz is inspired by the soft geometry of a Bauhaus lamp and the traditional apothecary's mortar and pestle.



Free of THC, but heavy on black pepper and bright bergamot to create a distinctive cannabis scent, the brand's signature blend of perfume oil and vegetable wax gives an intense and long-lasting sensory experience.

Designed by The Conran Shop

Double-weave handmade Bamboo Shades

Made by hand in Vietnam by experts in the double-weave technique, these Bamboo Shades throw a soft light through the durable, natural material, creating a beautiful, hatched shadow play.



The Conran Shop's team has sourced the longest bamboo nodes in the world, allowing the design to push the boundaries of the material. The result is three timeless forms that can now be made in dramatic sizes – the largest being 45 x 45 cm.

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Hand-embroidered linen Mesa Cushion Covers

Meticulously made in India by skilled artisans, the Mesa Cushion Covers feature an intricate hand-embroidery technique on a practical linen base.

Exclusive to The Conran Shop, the selection comprises materials such as linen and mohair in countless colourways and is intended to be mixed and matched to add variety to the home.



Director's Chair with a summer twist

Handcrafted in whitened beech wood, with a back and seat in either navy or navy stripe, this Conran design brings a summertime twist to the classic director's chair. Intended primarily for indoor use, the exterior paint protects the chair from sunlight, preventing cracking, but isn't rain-resistant. Compact and easy to store, the chair can be folded away when not in use.



Playful Check & Plain dinnerware

Check & Plain is a lightweight dinnerware set that encourages you to combine patterns for an eclectic tablescape. The collection includes a check pattern and two solid-wash colours, with either a glazed or hand-painted finish. They are microwave and dishwasher-safe, too.

An advanced production process means that emissions are reduced and raw materials recycled. Starting at just £12, this set is perfect for responsible customers on a smaller budget.



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Outdoor highlights

A tribute to Gustav Eiffel

Originally designed in the 1950s as a tribute to Gustav Eiffel, the Bistro Folding Chair and Table are constructed from minimalist yellow frames made from epoxy-painted metal. The chair is finished with a wooden seat.

Made by Portuguese design house Adico, founded in 1920, this classic chair and table fold down for easy storage when not in use.



Timeless Portuguese 5008 chair

Manufactured to exacting standards by Adico since the 1930s, the Portuguese 5008 Chair appears as contemporary today as it did over 80 years ago. Look out for it on the streets of Portuguese towns and seafronts.

The 5008 Chair is stackable, made from epoxy-painted metal for longevity, and is available in a range of statement colours, including a new-season yellow.



Colourful reedwork by Pols Potten

Produced by glass expert Pols Potten, this Conran-exclusive glassware range features a colourful reed holder on soda-glass tumblers and jugs – perfect for summer events and outdoor dining.

The rattan covers can be removed with ease, the jug can be hand-washed or wiped, and is dishwasher-safe.



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World-renowned Japanese brand Kinto

Designed by Japanese tableware brand Kinto, this picnic range is made from sustainably sourced bamboo fibre and melamine, with a refined matte finish.

These lightweight and durable pieces are available in three colours. Dishwasher-safe, not suitable for the microwave.



Waks Candles from Greece

The Waks Candles at The Conran Shop are blended and packaged in Greece, taking inspiration from the geometric patterns found on the island of Chios and scented with notes such as mandarin and orange blossom.

Beautifully presented in packaging made by local craftspeople, each candle is hand-poured into a ceramic vessel by artist Christina Moral, giving each piece an afterlife long after the candle has burned.



Additional highlights

Serax dinnerware by Ann Demeulemeester

This season's new Serax collection brings the inspiration of iconic fashion designer Ann Demeulemeester to the dinner table.

The design's artful sensibility is clear in both the traditional Chinese painting techniques used to adorn the ceramic plates and bowls with fine hand-painted line details and in the accompanying sculptural stainless-steel cutlery, available in a matte anthracite finish.



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ABS Objects handmade in Tel Aviv by Avi ben Shoshan

All pieces by newly founded ABS Objects are handmade by ceramicist Avi Ben Shoshan in his Tel Aviv studio. Taking inspiration from the colours of the Middle East, he applies a variety of glazes to accentuate the palette, including speckled pink. These sculptural clay pieces explore the relationship between objects and the human form, with abstracted figurative shapes and soft lines.



Crafted from straw, timeless bags by TOINO ABEL

TOINO ABEL bags are handmade in Portugal by a collective of intergenerational artisans that live and work together in a community renowned for its long history of traditional reed basket making.

Timeless in their design and made by hand to last for decades, TOINO ABEL bags have rescued an ancient craft by bringing together the disciplines of fine art and fashion design with a love for traditional craft and nature.



Recycled plastic plant pots

Expertly handwoven using recycled plastic, the Palorosa Plant Pots are crafted by skilled artisans in Guatemala using traditional techniques. Lifestyle brand Palorosa was founded in 2014 by Italian-Guatemalan landscape architect Cecilia Pirani to bridge the gap between architecture, fashion and home accessories.

Inspired by this mission, these plant pots bring innovative colours and techniques to the humble shape – as beautiful as they are functional.



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Founded by Sir Terence Conran in 1973, The Conran Shop has established itself as one of the leading lifestyle retailers in the world, offering an eclectic, hand-selected collection of gifts, furniture, lighting and personal accessories from some of the world's most respected designers and emerging talents. With its unique heritage, dedication to providing an unbeatable shopping experience and its carefully curated products, including vintage and modern designs, expert interior advice and personal services, The Conran Shop is the go-to destination for any type of gift or interiors inspiration. The Conran Shop has 10 stores across the world; three in London, two in Paris, four in Japan, and one in Seoul, South Korea.

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